

Ashland 7<sup>th</sup> May 1830

Dear Miss

Mr. Thomas delivered to me the pair of worsted socks which you did me the honor to present to me. I thank you, most cordially, for this interesting testimonial of your favorable consideration of me, and for the friendly sentiments with which you have accompanied it.

In finish and evenness of thread & neatness of appearance they excel any that I have ever seen. Mrs. Clay, who has supplied me many years with socks, wrought by her own hands from the best Merino wool, acknowledges the superiority of yours. I shall wear them with added pleasure from their being the production of one of my fair Country women, and of the daughter of a valued friend.

Next to intellectual attainments, there is now, proposed by your sex, which more strongly recommend you to the regard of those among ours, who are worthy of your notice, than that of industry, with its usual concomitant, economy. That you may, in due time, meet with one, capable of justly appreciating your good qualities, and entitled, in return, to  
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