

MSA

Philadelphia Dec 13/87

Dear Cousin

We are glad to hear from you, we could not tell what had become of you my wife wrote to you last Spring and the other Mrs returned and we have some other addresses but yours therefore I could not find any other, but your last letter and your Aunt Mary, did not know as the money for some one to make for her; will now try to give you the information I can think about, RR Shepley is Dead and I am sure, the interest of his money which once Belknap left him, and she was to take of the sum, if there was not what ~~was to be for her~~ ~~support~~, she was well and then I saw her living in Bostons old town. I saw her dead about 2 years ago. I saw her young you and Dick, and I saw her with George - then you Cousin John Dick shortly after, so you see the hearing up, Oliver & Roots Carry on the business. My high Principal object was to keep if you them any more. so etc

of their relations ~~at~~ ~~my~~ ~~trunk~~ ~~to~~ ~~see~~ ~~how~~ ~~ago~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~day~~ ~~in~~ ~~Chancery~~ ~~down~~ ~~one~~ ~~of~~ ~~that~~ ~~name~~ ~~leaving~~ ~~property~~ ~~to~~ ~~them~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~other~~ ~~part~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~you~~ ~~and~~ ~~Mary~~ ~~as~~ ~~she~~ ~~had~~ ~~the~~ ~~money~~ ~~to~~ ~~make~~ ~~for~~ ~~her~~ ~~we~~ ~~are~~ ~~glad~~ ~~to~~ ~~see~~ ~~things~~ ~~so~~ ~~favorable~~ ~~with~~ ~~you~~ ~~and~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~hard~~ ~~here~~ ~~to~~ ~~make~~ ~~ends~~ ~~meet~~ ~~every~~ ~~thing~~ ~~is~~ ~~so~~ ~~rough~~ ~~and~~ ~~uncertain~~ ~~as~~ ~~well~~ ~~as~~ ~~my~~ ~~own~~ ~~and~~ ~~have~~ ~~all~~ ~~my~~ ~~work~~ ~~to~~ ~~make~~ ~~ends~~ ~~meet~~ ~~and~~ ~~have~~ ~~to~~ ~~work~~ ~~also~~ ~~I~~ ~~am~~ ~~now~~ ~~61~~ ~~I~~ ~~should~~ ~~have~~ ~~it~~ ~~a~~ ~~little~~ ~~easier~~ ~~I~~ ~~enjoy~~ ~~good~~ ~~health~~ ~~that~~ ~~is~~ ~~above~~ ~~often~~ ~~consideration~~ ~~My~~ ~~family~~ ~~are~~ ~~all~~ ~~well~~ ~~they~~ ~~are~~ ~~getting~~ ~~up~~ ~~to~~ ~~in~~ ~~number~~ ~~the~~ ~~young~~ ~~and~~ ~~18~~ ~~brother~~ ~~John~~ ~~is~~ ~~at~~ ~~Washington~~ ~~House~~ ~~at~~ ~~this~~ ~~Richard~~ ~~I~~ ~~do~~ ~~not~~ ~~quite~~ ~~know~~ ~~he~~ ~~was~~ ~~at~~ ~~Spencer~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~time~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~deeds~~ ~~at~~ ~~Spencer~~ ~~last~~ ~~time~~ ~~I~~ ~~repaired~~ ~~at~~ ~~Wells~~ ~~had~~ ~~any~~ ~~idea~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~day~~ ~~him~~ ~~some~~ ~~time~~ ~~ago~~ ~~at~~ ~~Spencer~~ ~~as~~ ~~he~~ ~~lives~~ ~~about~~ ~~Langdale~~ ~~End~~ ~~he~~ ~~is~~ ~~short~~ ~~and~~ ~~much~~ ~~troubled~~ ~~with~~ ~~asthma~~ ~~or~~ ~~some~~ ~~other~~ ~~ailment~~ ~~I~~ ~~have~~ ~~not~~ ~~seen~~ ~~him~~ ~~since~~ ~~John~~ ~~Dick~~ ~~11~~ ~~years~~ ~~ago~~

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We shall be glad to hear from any
of the family, or any branch of the
family. We often think and talk of the
wondering how all are too well. I don't
see how you are this young age 86. We only
saw you all his children and first wife
we wish to be lucky, hundred to one
matter and and if being where this note
does I hope they are as my dear station
was calmly waiting, full of hopes for
the better world. Kind regards to well
James & Aunt hoping they are well and
no years increase, and we all even
near to our journey's end, here we
may be fully prepared for the bright
world above. You do not know how
often John we hope he is well, as
often you often mention & wish you
have left there are a few of the people
left which you know perhaps I cannot
name many. I would like to see you
and as few more. Most of the heads of the town
are paid - away and quite a great lot
now occupying their homes - trees are
now being planted on both sides of
Barrington and other parts of town

as a monument of Queen's Jubilee this
year we have busy days, all over
on this account - a ball voted on
Thursday Eve, and General Rejoicing
I must now move to a quiet berth -
our love to all and wishing you
all. I must say a ^{happy} New Year as this
probably will not come before

Your affectionate Cousin

Wm. Threlkeld

We have had a very hot dry summer
downed so that things are scarce -
an open bank and a lot of snow in the
and fine open water now having things
fresh in many places in the
and people constantly looking for stock
and other use -

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We are glad to hear from you, we could not tell what had become of you. My wife wrote to you last spring and the letter was returned and we have none other address but yours. Therefore I could not find any other, but your last letter and your Aunt Mary did not know as she wished for some one to write for her. I will now try to give you all information I can think about. R.R. Sheffield is Dead and left Aunt the intrest of his money, which some relitive left him, and she was to take of the sum, if there was not what would do for her comfort. She was well last time I saw her, living in Eastgate. Your Cousin Wm Scales died perhaps 2 years ago. Last spring your Aunt Died, and later on Uncle George - then your Cousin John Died shortly after, so you see the breaking up. Oliver & Rooks carry on the Business. My wifes principal object was to ask if you knew any Parks - as one of their relitives left England some years ago and she saw in Chancery some one of that name leaving property to claim and the other part was for your Aunt Mary, as she had no one to write for her. We are glad to here things so faviouable with you all it is hard here to make ends meet, everything is so sought into and overstocked I continue my Fathers Trades as well as my own and have all my work to make ends meet and hard to work. Also I am now 61 I should have it a little easier. I enjoy good health that is above other considerations. My family are all well they are getting up - 4 in number the youngest 16. Brother John is at Bridlington, Thomas at Hull, Richard I do not quite know he was at Guisbro - sister Hannah at Scarbro. Last time I enquired of Uncle Fred my sister said she saw him sometime ago at Scarbro as he lives about Langdale End. he is stout and much troubled with asma or asmaticals I have not seen him since Father Died 11 years ago.

We shall be glad to here from any or all Uncles, or any Branch of their family. We often think and talk of you wondering how all are Tell Uncle John Mr. ? Died this spring aged 86. He outlived nearly all his children and first wife. We wish to be kindly remembered to Uncle Matthew and Aunt if living when this note comes. I hope they are as my Dear Father was calmly waiting, full of hope for the better world. Kind regards to Uncle James & Aunt hoping they are well and as years increase, and we all come near to our journeys end, here we may be fully prepared for the Bright world above. You do not name your brother John we hope he is well, as (?) your other Brothers & sister you have left. There are a few of old people left which you knew perhaps I cannot name many - I. (?), R. Parkinson and a few more. Most of the heads of the Town are passed away and quite a fresh lot now occupying their houses - Trees are now being planted on both sides of Eastgate and other parts of Town as a memento of Queens Jubilee this year. We had lively doings all over on this account. A Bull rosted on (?) Hill and general rejoicing. I must now draw to a close with our love to all and wishing you all I must say a happy New Year as this probably will not arrive before

Your affect. Cousin

Wm Whitelock

We have had a very hot dry summer so much so that (?) *TURNIPS* are scarce - *an (?) open back end* a lot of snow in October and fine after until now having sharp frosts in many places (?) and people constantly (?) *windmills* for stock and other use -