Newport 4th August 1810

Dear Sir,

I yesterday had the Gratification of receiving your Letter of 27th Ult: by which I am happy to perceive you are about to be settled in situation so much to your satisfaction. It nothing Sir be aimed could render me Greater pleasure than to see you & your family placed in a situation fully adequate to what your most sanguine expectations could have anticipated, I am Glad to perceive Mrs Birnie & family have retained their health since their Arrival —

You desire me to Give you an Idea of my prospects, which as yet I am unable to do so fully as I could wish. But shall Give you a brief sketch of my present situation — On my Arrival here I found my Brother tired of leading a Batchelors life, had lately changed his situation which ~~so becoming~~ on my becoming acquainted with the Object of his choice, gave me more satisfaction than I can Express. My Brother on my arrival desired I might consider his house my home & said he would lose no time in procuring for me a situation to my liking. But on that subject desired I might make my self perfectly easy — And has since hinted that Should I like his business & wish to remain with him he would not have any Object

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