as ~~the~~ matters get into a proper train again I trust he will do well - I am much pleased to find you are well settled. and you will no doubt every year be increasing your comforts. at no distant period you will have your Daughters. I hope. will settled in your Neighbourhood. which will add to your Society. after all a man ought principally to depend on the Comforts at home. I am very Domestic myself. lately I was doing a very extensive business. I was almost compelled to keep an open House. our Town is but small. visited by many Strangers. most of whom were introduced by some one or other - our restrictive measures hourly sound a System of oeconomy which will not be abandoned - I am much pleased that our Countrymen. in your Vicinity are well doing - If ever I am within 30 or 40 or even 50 miles of you you may be assured I will beat up your quarters.

Nothing gives me more pleasure than to spend an evg with an old times acquaintance spend. amongst whom none rank higher than yourself. Could my desires be but expected to go. Wishing Mrs Brown yourself & family. the Comps. of the approaching Season & many. many. happy returns.

Believe me Sincerely yours.

F. W. Hale.