

in my bosom I got better in two or three days
I think of going out visiting some this week, going to
spend the day with Lydia she is quite sick Mother is
there this eve. I have had a great many friends
to call on me since your absence & among the first
was Capt Downs & Wife he said he ~~was~~ ^{was} we should
not think it was out of any disrespect to us that he
did not call before. give my love to Uncle & Cousin
Richard Aunt Virginia has not been here since you
left nor Mrs Peaks I hear they are well have not
seen any of Aunt Lydia's family tell Mathew
Jane Ann had a party last week that stay'd untill twelve
O'clock this is the fifth letter that has been written
you the first I wrote by J. Peake's Ship Marlboro.
Charissa & Benj wrote you by Shadrack & I wrote
again last Sabbath by the Delphos this I shall send
down in the morn to Ruben West you must learn
the news of the Village of him. your Father calls to see
me often seems to have a great deal of sympathy for me
Benj & Jedidah makes short calls as usual. Lucetta
talks much about you she says I must tell you that she loves
the baby as well as ever. Monday morn 8 o'clock Dear
Husband could I but see you this morn what joy would
fill my heart you know to well my feelings by sad
experience you may view me sitting in the Parlor
writing with the babe in my lap nursing. The Family
join in love to you. I must now bid you good morn desiring
always that God may bless you return again due time with
health to make glad my heart & all the rest of your friends

your affectionate friend