

Washington July 28th 1856

My dear John,

I recd your letter of the 15th July, only this morning. I hasten to reply by saying there was nothing in the correspondence to show that Dr. Brown had desired his information from you, and as to what you told Frederick two years ago, it certainly made no impression on him, and has been entirely forgotten by me. Frederick's letter of complaint is dated Aug. 10th 1856.

If I have done you injustice all I have to say is that I regret and if you had been more communicative I should have been better informed.

You state you were not allowed to be present when the 7th Act was read to the Orphans^{Court}. I presume must have misused the word allowed, for it was neither in my power to allow or to compel your attendance. Here