

Clinton Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> 1832.

Dear Sir

You have doubtless before this heard of the  
Death of my Dear Husband - he died on the 4 of  
Nov. we had had much sickness in our family for  
three months - but the Lord saw fit to restore them  
from the borders of the grave - early in Sep. Mr Williams  
had an attack of the fever - but by proper medicine  
it seemed to be thrown off, and he got better - tho' not so  
as to attend to business but very little - he seemed to  
linger along and have a little fever untill a fortnight pre-  
vious to his Death - when he was taken very ill - but still  
we did not at any time feel discouraged about him - but  
hop'd he might get along and recover, but the day before  
he died he was taken with a chill which was very severe  
we were then oblig'd to give up almost all hope of his re-  
covery - he liv'd untill the next evening - he could con-  
verse but little that day - but express'd his perfect resig-  
nation - found that he could cheerfully give up every  
earthly tie at the call of his Heavenly Father. Fully  
believing in the universality and rectitude of Divine Go-  
-vernment - furnishes a pillar on which in the darkest  
hours we may lean - here we may confide our all - were it  
not for this belief - such afflictions would appear to us  
mysterious things - I need not tell you Sir that I feel  
sorely afflicted - the hand of the Lord is laid heavily upon me  
and my family - I do desire to be submissive - be still and  
know that it is God - the Religion of Jesus directs to abun-  
-dant consolation - there are many promises to the fa-  
-therless and the Widow - may we be enabled to put all  
our trust in God - and pray that he may make up our  
loss by the more full enjoyment of himself -



Mr Powell has called here respecting his business, said  
he had written to you Sir - but thought perhaps the  
letter did not reach you - and wished me to write - I told  
him I had been thinking of writing - but my health  
has been so poor I have not attended much to anything  
Mr Powell wished me to say that he could have he thought  
what money was due for the farm ready in a few days  
if you was willing to receive it before it became due &c  
- if it is your wish Sir to have the money sent my son  
will attend to the business - we have taken a young  
Gentleman an Attorney into the office who appears  
to be judicious and assists in any thing that is re-  
quisite - I have taken letters of Administration and  
Athriel is beginning to settle the Estate - I tell him  
as soon as he can he must begin to look at your  
concerns - I likewise tell him that I hope Mr  
Robinsons will visit Chintons next spring - we should  
be much pleas'd to see you here and Mrs Robinson  
I think the Journey would be for your health -  
Mr Powell would like to have you write soon - and  
whatever you wish us to do we will attend to

present my respects to Mrs Robinson tho  
unacquainted - and please to accept this from  
your afflicted but sincere friend -

Mary Williams

Rev. Edward Robinson



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