

Lexington Ky. July 1. 1847.

Dear Mr. Bean,

I am rejoiced to hear that you continue to recover. Mr. Hale told me yesterday that you were contemplating a visit to the Rockcastle Springs, in company with your physician Dr. Bownan, whom I expect to hear has himself been unwell.

I write this hurried note to say that the Bishop will be here two weeks from next Sunday the 18th for the purpose of administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, which I should be most happy you were here to receive. You must keep alive your good impressions - let nothing efface them. Remember how near to the grave you have been brought, and by God's mercy brought up from it again - all that you may be led to make him your trust. O put not off to another day, what you a short time ago regretted having delayed so long.

I trust you may make your trip & that it may in every sense be unexpensive to you, and that we may see you here, quite