

I am much obliged to Mrs Parker for her kind feeling towards you. present my respects and good wishes for her present and future happiness & tell her if she does not write soon I shall be mad and sad too. I am trying to make ready for Caroline and your self you must bring her with you & what would I not give to see you all again and at the same time such a reunion would add twenty years to your life they are all well at your god pa's & stepma's went to Georg town yesterday they feel great solicited for you and all of the family there your god Ma gave me some yarn to knit you two pair of socks Sally knit them but as Dot Morris declined going I gave them to your god pa but I have plenty by me I get along very well now with Jane and Sally the only now is I live too easy - your god pa has bought a young negro man about twenty three they give eight hundred dollar for him and are much pleas'd with him Capt Motton has bought Arnold he has not behaved very clever in bringing him back. John Hampton has gone to California and about thirty others from town - Len I fear you will not be able to read this I can scarcely read it myself I have four pens on the table and all of the same sort as near as they can be so I will now close with experiment pray for your health and tranquility of mind of which you so much need at this time and believe me your
too devoted Mother
maid

the love of all to our Dear Mother there not forgetting Grammy & all the children for me

stomach in the human breast
My Dear Len. May 3 / 50
no letter from Louisa as yet - but hope something
your letter of April 1 was received about ten days since. and agreeable to your request I will endeavour to answer it - all though I feel utterly incapable of doing the subject justice - I will however as far as my poor ability will permit give you the sentiments of a Mother's heart - I will not deny that my daily and hourly prayers are for your spiritual as well as temporal welfare as they are for the other children - but it is said the prayers of the wicked are of no avail and really it does seem so. for certainly it has never been my wish that you should take course you have - be assured there is nothing in this world that could distress me more than to know that one of children had forsaken the only true Church - I will not say I was surprised at the tone of your letter for I had become a larva to notice the feelings exhibited in the Telegraph against the Catholics, and remarked to your pa. that I feared for your Catholic principles - it is to be regretted that your mind has not been more enlightend on the subject. but it is