

Hannah Pierce  
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Your kind letter, with the other articles reached us duly, and in safty, most gladly would we have complied with your kind invitation, to spend this Festival, with you but the weather was so inclement, and the traveling so bad, that we did not think it prudent, to venture Yesterday, afternoon, and evening, furnished us with several inches of snow, but the wind has blown it in heaps, so that it will not I think, make ploughing, the weather also very cold, but we continue to keep ourselves, comfortable, having plenty of good wood, and the water not very far off, I have no animals, to attend to but my Biddies, and cats, having sold my pigs, and sent my cows, to spend the winter at Mr Boothby's but I fear the great snows, and long Winter, and shall gladly, and gratefully, avail myself, of yours, and your Wif's kind invitation to spend at least a part of the winter with you, and visit Ruth, and Anne, Elisabeth will remain till I leave, which, will probably be in two or three Weeks, when she will go to Limerick by the way of Gorham, and take our little girls, with her, we have all been suffering, from Influenza, but are now better, we have passed, our thanksgiving alone, but have not I hope been unremindful, of the many mercies bestowed on us, since our last Annual Festival, you must I know, on this day.

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Yesterday's mail brought me a letter from our brother Daniel, the most cheerful I have received, since his return, to the West, his health has been improving, for the last month, so that he works in his work shop most of the time, and his family in usual health, I do hope that he will again enjoy health and happiness,

with love to you, and all your family, I am my Dear brother, your ever grateful and affectionate Sister Hannah.

P.S. I must leave it to your judgment to determine whether it is best to repair the buildings at Sacarappa.

My dear uncle,

I will write a few words just to thank you for attending so much to my affairs. We are hoping strongly to see you soon, that is if the weather and travelling permit. Aunt H. seems now decided to shut up her house for the winter and I hope she will pass the winter comfortably and happily, with her friends in G. and P. It is sad to shut up the old house I know but I don't see how she can stay without exposing herself to cold and labor more than she ought. We all send love to each of your family, Your affectionate niece Elizabeth.

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