

They need not fear of losing my eye sight, they write a good plain hand easily read - if mine does not tax thy patience it will be well -

We hear from Cousin Ann Denny that she is yet quite well, and bright intellect, we think we are only that, are over 20 years younger - since I last wrote to her death has deprived us of two Cousins William McDevick and Joshua C Jenkins, names that they once knew in Beaumont, where their parents were living -

4.68 Dillwyn St is our dwelling place, nearly 50 years since Sister came to it first when she was married, she wish to be remembered to thee, <sup>and thy</sup> ~~me~~ well when thou was a little girl my love and best wishes to all of my <sup>family</sup> ~~family~~ with thy own dear self, <sup>thy</sup> ~~thy~~

from this in which I found your name & father's name some times since James a then your name

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Dear Cousin C<sup>th</sup> thy letter affords me one of my greatest pleasures, on reading thy last I felt, were it possible I would once more, risk life and limb as I have done in times past in crossing those lofty mountains for the great satisfaction of seeing thy dear boys pictures and thy beautiful needle work dedicated to their memory. - dear boys, my heart ach, when I think of their sad fate, and a Mother's loss of two such noble sons, well but that little boy it was teaching to make lamp lighters and feather

fly brushes)

when he was but 3 or 10 years old,  
has been left to be a comfort to  
thee, and is it not wonderfull  
to think how much he has  
encountered since that age  
may the blessing of heaven rest  
upon <sup>it</sup> he with ~~him~~ forever  
and may I have the pleasure  
of seeing <sup>him</sup> a gain - and could  
wish to thee and all my Cousins  
there, but unless you come to  
see me, I doubt that I even  
shall - at my age I think it  
not proper to travel so far  
alone, if I live to see the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
of next March I will be 75<sup>th</sup>  
sister is <sup>in</sup> her 79<sup>th</sup> this fall she  
went to Baltimore yearly meeting  
and if she lives and health, <sup>permits</sup>  
talks of going to Canada to  
a meeting we have out there  
in the Spring

Tell Cousin Rebecca and son Guit  
that I would propose, the name  
of our old Welch Castle, for  
their new residence,  
Carnarvon, that at one  
time belonged to, and occupied  
by old King Lewellyn of  
Griiffydd our legal ancestors  
did I tell thee of a Griiffith  
Key, that was Prince of South  
Wales, in 1108 who had a daughter  
named Estro Key perhaps  
some of the younger, branches  
might think well enough to keep  
up the name, in the family  
I like the name  
Cousin J. Griffin has gone back  
to Texas - his Cousin Meredith  
that he left in charge of his place  
died, we were disappointed that  
he did not get to see us again  
and I wanted him to go to see thee