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Bayards Town Jan^y 13 1829

Rev^d dear Sir

I have often been thinking of writing to you since Mr Bayard Rec^d your letters they gave us great encouragement to be more faithful to hear what the Lord is doing for you and those to whom you were sent, we can not boast of any signal displays of Gods power in the Awakening and conversion of sinners but I believe the Church is in a much better condition now than it has been in for several years past

There is not so much ado about reform as it is so called I believe there are some of its most zealous supporters would be glad to back out if they could ~~do~~ conveniently, Brother Lambden does not seem to mind these things but goes on in the old way trying to get sinners reformed for Jesus which I believe is the best reform

We are often talking about you and should be glad to have you here this Evening to ~~talk~~ talk about old times I have been thinking if possible I would endeavour to see you at your dwelling ^{near Sunbury} but if not, if I should never see you in this world I trust by the Grace of God to meet you in Heaven, I have one request to make before I close my letter and that is that you would be importunate at a throne of Grace for us ^{that} the Lord would accomplish within us and upon us all the good pleasure of his will

Mr Bayard and his fathers family joins

We in love to yourself and family
please write to us soon } Your unworthy but sincere
friend John B Bayard