

Gardiner June 13 - 1824

My dear girls and Joshua

I can now inform you that without disappointments in our calculations, we arrived at Gardiner last evening about half an hour before the setting of the sun, at Wallowet we called on Mrs Dale and passed an hour - we had a very comfortable journey and pleasant visits, we wished many times you were all with us, as you are not I will tell you all I care of those in whom we take the dearest interest.

Benjamin we met coming down the hill therefore we were spared the trouble of enquiring and he greeted us at the door we had the pleasure of meeting all in comfortable health I am agreeably disappointed Gardiner is much more pleasant than I expected - Benjamin more pleasantly accommodated as to a house than I anticipated, with his household establishment I am much pleased - we had the pleasure of Mr Gardiner's company an hour last evening - to day we have attended Church Benjamin performed the services Mr Olney being absent. Tomorrow and next day we pass at this place I intend to