

Macquarie Street
15th of 2nd Mo. 57.

Gentlemen,

Your letter of
condolence and your kind
expression of sympathy with
me under this afflictive dis-
-pensation of an all-wise
and gracious God, has tend-
-ed ^{of some degree} ~~much~~ to lighten this
heavy stroke.

Your kind and honorable
mention of the services of my
beloved husband and ^{of} your
social intercourse, will ever
be a balm to my heart.

It is a ^{consoling} great solace to
know that his exertions for
the benefit ^{of} and well being
of his fellow man has been
appreciated.

Letters of thanks for condolences on death of George Washington Walker
written by Sarah Benson Walker.

appreciated and that he still
lives in their hearts

Your consideration for
my son James in your choice
of a junior clerk for the
Institution under your
control merits my thankful
acknowledgements —

I do most earnestly trust
and desire that "Uprightness
and Integrity may preserve
him" and that he may by
efficiency in the discharge
of his duties and by true
gentlemanly conduct prove
himself worthy of
not ~~to~~ ^{to} merit your con-
fidence and support —

Again thanking you
for your kindness & consideration
I remain gentlemen

~~most~~ respectfully
Sarah Benson ~~Walter~~

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Hobart Town

29th of 3^d Mo 1857 -

To Henry Dowling

Much esteemed friend,

It will be eight weeks tomorrow since thy mind was drawn towards the sorrowing ones in this house, and words sweet and comfortable flowed from thy mind and pen. — How inscrutable are the ways of the Most High. Truly, "His ways are not as our ways, nor His thoughts as our thoughts." — How is one taken from a post of usefulness and surrounded by a numerous family especially needing a fathers care:

another is left who appears totally
useless to society. Who can fathom
this by human reasoning? —

In my own case I know it must be
best. — That the Lord "doth all things
well," yet when I reason upon it,
I cannot see how it can be. —

For my precious husband, I can
rejoice — he is removed from the
troubles of time, and I feel assured
that his name is written in the
Lamb's book of life. — I can now
see that he has been ripening for glory.
Although at no time since I have known
him should I ever have doubted
his admittance into that city that

hath no need of the sun, neither
of the moon to shine in it; for the
glory of God doth lighten it, and the
Lamb is the light thereof;" for he
has ever lived in a state of prepara-
-tion for his change, although at times
much cast down under a feeling
of his many sins and short comings,
for his aim was high — to be perfect
in Christ wanting nothing — and
feeling how far he came short of
that Holy Standard he was tempt-
-ed at times to doubt his own accept-
-ance so that his distress of mind has
been at times great; but he was in
the end always more than conq-

through Him who had loved him
and laid down his life for him.

His mental as well as bodily
powers were almost prostrate for
the last few days of his tarrance
here; but it was evident from the
holy atmosphere that pervaded the
room that his Saviour was with
him in all his affliction and that
his end was peace. —

The chamber where the good man meets
his fate
is privileged beyond the common walk
of virtuous life, quite in the verge of
heaven.

With many thanks for thy kind sym-
-pathy and condolence —

I remain very respectfully —
Sarah Benson Walker.