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Letter from William E. Green to John P. Green January 17, 1839 [John P. Green Mss. – A.L.S.]

Worcester, January 17th 1839

To Mr. John P. Green,

Dear Son,

An an opportunity presents by Mr. Dana who lived formerly with Mr. Swan in this town to write you, I shall embrace it. You have only written one letter to Aunt Betsy since you went away from home & a little scratch to me in Andrews about that which is very scarce with me this winter, viz Money. I should have sent you some before this but I have been pressed every hand for small sums to keep the family along. I hope another dawn to have more crops to turn that I may give you occasionally a lift. I understand that you have appeared very well to Lucy[.] how [sic] have the Lathams been such as you could wish? has [sic] the opportunity of acquiring information been equal to what your expectations were? or [sic] is there more cry than wool in the business. Many of those public institutions are got up to give a few lazy drones a living without their being any real benefit, to the public. We have many in this state which are no kind of public benefit in my opinion. Mere sinecures without any advantage. I hope the institution where you are, is not one of that kind. I should like when you have time to send me word how the exercises are conducted & what the particular advantages are toward the acquirement of Medical & Surgical knowledge. Your Cousin Timothy has been very kind in his offers of board & c [etc.] for you[.] I hope you use every opportunity to do every kindness for him, & family you can. his [sic] wife they all say is one of the best of women. I remember her father very well he was in was in College with me, & I was at his house after I commenced business some years & was very politely & hospitably entertained them.

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I hope next summer Cousin Timothy & his wife with the little boy will come on to Worcester. I should be very happy to see them, as well as your Aunt Green & Cousins.

I hope you have no opportunity neglected, to master all the requirements which may render you a well informed Physician, a polite, easy, gracefull [sic] gentleman, one who will be able to win the confidence, & affections of the public by your bland manners, & thorough education.

You may have the best of schools, & instructions, but after all it will depend much on yourself whether those schools, or institution, will be of any benefit to you[.] I am now training [*Ms. illegible*] the finest colt of the old family kind for you that you may be as well mounted as any Physician in this County. I expect you will have many difficulties to encounter in making your entry into business, but you will be able to overcome them by frugality, perseverance, & industry, you have many well wishers, & the name of Green, as a Physician name you know stands high, in the hearts, & good wishes of the public. A cool determined state of mind, with the opportunities which an affectionate family connection may afford you, will make your entry into life much easier than many young men who are starting forward without those advantages.

I hope nothing will induce you to cease striving to make the first, & best in your profession for you possess the personal & mental abilities, if you choose to exert them which I have no doubt but you will exert to the utmost to make one of the finest of your age, or any other age. The children have all written you I believe & feel the most sanguine hopes that you will not fail of making those mental acquirements which will be a leading star to them

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in their future of life. The boys do not let a day pass, without mentioning your name with the kindest affection. You never know how much you were beloved untill [sic] you were gone from us. I hope you will be able to mark off those little rough manners which are disagreeable in almost all young men of your age before they have associated with polite & accomplished members of society which your present situations affords you an opportunity of observing.

You will naturally talk with Andrew & make up your minds to keep up that brother love & affinities which is always becoming amongst brothers & will be of most advantage to you in the future life.

Your friend Sam[ue]l Allen Jr. has been very lame & confined to the house for some weeks with a cut in the leg it has been a severe trial to him & continues trouble[*Ms. Torn*] I shall go, and see him the first opportunity I have[.]

I am quite unwell with a stich [sic] droped [sic] in the small of my back a Rheumatic affliction[.] I felt very well this morning & went out to save a little [*Ms. Illegible*] for exercise & was taken severely so that I could hardly get in to breakfast. but [sic] I can sit, & write a little & of course you will have the trouble of wording another longer letter than you otherwise would have had; had I been well. The news is all in the other letters. Please make my best love to sister, Cousins and to Andrew to whom I hope I shall be able to write a short letter. Accept my best wishes for your health & prosperity, & believe me most affectionately your father and friend

/Signed/ W[illia]m E. Green

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Received January 1839

[Addressed:] Doc[to]r John P. Green By favor of Mr. Dana [Postmark:] New York

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