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My Dear Mother

This is reading & reading &c &c. I scarcely have time to say Jack Robinson. About 9 months ago we came to the most serious part of the lecture, viz. the "practice of medicine." Since that time I have never in my whole life time have been to bed a student. I very seldom get to bed before 20'clock. One before 10'ock, and after all I am obliged to employ sundays coming up here way as the saying is. However only the more of this hard work & the better go & take a look one's heart. How delightful!) But before I do this I will tend to your commission: I really cannot do it now

manner as the review is completely staid & the times very cold. Until Christmas as I mentioned to you, we had an uncommonly good harvest & we have had a lot of snow had fallen. But since then, a regular after by cold weather that the opinion almost...
Possibility by not having positively determined upon their heads of the Epitaph: however I don't think I shall make any alterations. It is right for us to be modest upon all occasions; and as many as well be so upon this. How often have we been the most flattering Eulogists upon the most truly

Ving characters whilst on Earth? and how often upon

most valued Passagery are very generally touch with noth-

more than the most modest & just notice of their worth

and the base name of the latter will grow, much more than the most laborious composition in the former, with the

therefore I am for nothing one Dear Father. I have

the tomb stone of the great American Philosopher, Ben-

Franklin. Nothing more is inscribed upon it than the

the name more if white trouble some filled up with

it could not convey one half, one millionth part

the least known of him — As to the picture frame

not but not by the same from which the made

it would be as difficult to find him as a needle
in a long-stick — I am extremely happy to conceive that there is a great probability of all things being well adjusted respecting Helen and her letter. Give any love to her, say to her that I have received her letter which was very pleasant one & that I shall write her an answer in about one month from this time: I suppose the will not be much affected by any delaying it so long. — My dear mother & as I said in the common of this letter. I hardly have time to say I Robinson.

You say that lately I have thrilled you all by being recently writing: as it is 3 or 4 weeks since I suppose I have nearly lost my good character.you if I had time, I feel all the disposition to ruin you all completely — My dear mother, sweet heart Lewis will certainly make a great blank when she leaves this place is a most affectionate you. Happy in seeing released unanimously by all her relations. I cannot but feel unhappy when the thought of the time not all love her very much, it will be a time she can never
Answer 9th Edward

Mr. William Dunbar
First Natchez
Mr. Irwitt