

Provincetown March 20th 1834

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meeting was right, they chose 7 Constables 6 Wardens 3 select
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to look out to see who sold rum, ~~father~~ Lotterop says if
any one comes to his store he will kick them out. He sells
plenty of rum for last Sunday there were 2 or 3 that came
out of a vessel with their jugs and he sold it to them he
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married. ~~tell about Jacobites~~ You say that no Doctor need
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have but a thousand dollars I shall think ~~him~~ ^{his} rather
a poor Do^r. I expect one Do^r to make 2 or 4 thousand a year
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a deep study about Jackson when he is going any where
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My parents join with me in love to you
and your better half and sons and daughters
Uncle Lushington and family.
I shall expect a letter from you with all the news.
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Dear Aunt Judith,

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as I should like for you to quilt on because I think
there are but a few that can quilt so well as you
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some one to quilt for me that I know is good.

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should like for you to make her a visit, you can
come when the vessels go to Mary Court.
If my Dr. makes a thousand dollars a year
perhaps then I shall be able to pay you for
quitting.

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but it is near dinner-time and must close.
Do write a line when Uncle Nathan writes.

Pa and join with me in love to you.

Miss Judith Stone,

Your affectionate Niece
Mary C. Stone

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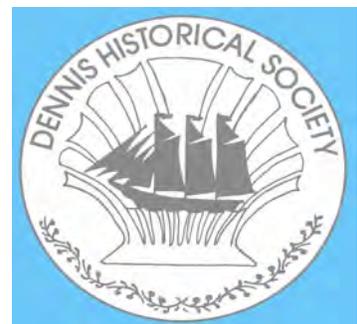
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