

a consciousness of having performed a serious and important duty. Yes my Mary - it is a serious duty. - You have parted with a precious boy - a son who not only contributed to your amusement, but who really discovers an uncommon degree of sensibility & gratitude. - His manners & disposition attract even strangers to him. - Was he of a contrary character there would be no merit in relinquishing him for a time.

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With all these good qualities I acknowledge, ~~that~~ that it requires great philosophy to reconcile one's self to a separation from him. - ^{yet} and the consideration that he possesses them, makes it doubly incumbent on us to do him justice in his education. - Shou^d your motherly tenderness or weakness have prevented this sweet fellow from availing himself of the advantages now held out to him, and for want of proper