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Letter to Lemuel Shaw from Samuel Putnam, January 28, 1842

Samuel Putnam

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Boston 28th Jan 1842

My dear Sir,

Nothing could have been more acceptable than your affectionate letter which I received yesterday: for it gave me the assurance that I had acquired a permanent place in your esteem and affections; a boon which I shall sedulously endeavour to preserve.

I shall cherish the remembrance of our long intercourse, which on your part was delightful as well as instructive to me. I believe me that I shall not cease to cultivate that treasure of reminiscences, which you have prepared.

I could not say a word when I took my leave: and it is not strange, that the silence, which you own deep feelings imposed upon your own lips, usually so full of speech, should have sealed up my own.
And I am glad that you have given to me this opportunity heartily to reciprocate all the good will for you which you have so kindly expressed towards me.

And although I shall not participate with you hereafter in judicial labours, yet you must allow me to say that no one will be more delighted than I shall be to hear I know, of the well earned reputation which your talents honor and probity, must always command.

Farewell. And may the Blessing of God attend you here and hereafter.

I remain very sincerely your friend

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