

Thank Rankine
Rev & Anna for
letters that remind
Give me care of
with a portion of the
State movements.

Mr. Carpenter
Tuesday June 27
1846

Mr. William

This is not intended
to be a letter, more in answer
to yours of Saturday, for which
however I must thank you, &
happily express how glad I am
to hear of your Bishop Bond's
last gift. A sudden check upon
any temptation he may here have
to vanity in his ^{newly} exalted position.
Mrs Carpenter feels it a great shock
it has already written back to the Bishop
& his daughters. Now I must

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turn to my small business. —
Lays at present keeps away
I has not been answered my
letters — The Carpenter tells me that
he has no hinges nor buttons to do
I suppose, if you can conveniently
get a supply, it will be the easiest
to speed them. We require 6 small
iron buttons for hinges four or
5 three pairs common small sized iron
hinges. I am now convinced that
a few things have been stolen from
the Cottage I must trouble you to
add to the list I have already sent a dozen
small breakfast plates I not to forget
the white jugs. We not also bring the
glazed tea-pot. I have had the Carpenter

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all day doing little finishing,
I shall have again part of tomorrow.

We have had since Sunday
showery but mild weather except
last night, when an East wind
made it cold during the night,
so that it is again mild - hot
in the sun. Maggie has worked
industriously - there has been a great
deal to do - The windows above have
taken nearly a day to clean they were so
spattered with paint. I have been
fully occupied, sometimes tired, but
with open doors & windows I enjoy little
while some exercise with my pruning
knife, it is a healthy fatigue; without
noise, nervous tension & distraction there
is good appetite & sleep. but adieu. or I shall
be late for the mine ^{your} ^{constant} ^{friend} ^{Marshall}.

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