

October 14<sup>th</sup> 1830 -

Sir

In looking over some letters  
which were put up at the time I left  
London, & which I thought had been  
all answered, I find one from you,  
dated the 10<sup>th</sup> of Aug<sup>r</sup>, requesting my  
opinion of Mr. Forrester's Establishment.

I regret the mistake and the  
delay on your account, as it will  
have kept you in anxiety, and perhaps  
convinced an idea that I had declined  
to comply with your request.

I can assure you that I  
have taken a great deal of trouble  
to find out a school such as should  
satisfy me, but without success,

as

as in those Establishments where  
many advantages have appeared, I  
have found disadvantages which  
neutralized much of the good I  
expected. - After much Enquiry I  
followed my youngest Son with  
Mr Somers, not as a School that  
I entirely approved, but as the  
best I could find, and I have  
allowed him to continue there.  
I cannot say more regarding the  
Establishment to influence you or  
any other Father in the following and  
their Children: But as so much  
depends on the disposition of Parents  
it would be impossible for me

to

to say how far Mr Somers's School  
reduced such of your Sons or not.

My Son has made considerable progress  
lately, & I hope will continue to improve.

If any thing should bring you to  
London I shall be happy to see you  
and give you any information you may require,  
again offering an apology for the  
delay, unintentionally made &

remain

Your Obedt Servant  
Joseph Home

By Hand of  
Somers.