

My dear Sir

accept my best thanks for your
kind letter, and be assured that
highly gratifying as Miss Edgeworth's
good opinion must be to the
author of the little volume alluded
to that of Mr Alison is at least
equally so. The Tale is an unambitious
one, and that it should have
pleas'd such readers so greatly
is more, I am sure, than the
writer of it could have anticipated.
It was written from the heart;
and the writer has now assurance
that it contains sentiments
good and useful - otherwise
it had never found favour
in your eyes, nor with the
learn'd and distinguished person
whose words you quoted.

I do not know if you

have from home at present,
but if you do, you would confer
a singular favour on me by
being here on Wednesday
at five o'clock. Mr Penrose
and Mr Arnold two English
Physicians whom no doubt you
know are to be with us on
that day.

Mr Wilson has leave to
join me in every fortnight
and I am happy to
know with all respects
Yours truly
John Wilson

Respect
Shewbridge
Saturday

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New York