

Vine Place Brighton

Dear Brother and Sister

For so I must now must call you since that yesterday the 18th April I led to the Hymenial altar your youngest sister Esther, which was performed by Mr Savory by Licence in the presence of some of the Deacons and a part of the Congregation - it by the particular Desire of Mrs H that I should give you some little of the Day, we had a Carraige [sic] and pair and a fly to the chappel and after the Ceremony we went as far as the Dyke and Back through Portslade to Dinner. We had a very excelent Dinner and a very Comfortable Party attended Mr and Mrs Savory and Mr Hope (Mrs White my aunt) Mr and Mrs Bodle Mrs Woodhams Maria Colwell Caroline Vine Miss Crampe and last tho not least Jabez Tilly who came to see sister Martha not knowing any thing of the Wedding and you may believe was surprised he sends his love with Martha and at present there is not any sign of their wedding. We have taken apartments in Mother's House the Parlour opposite the Workroom and the Bedroom above but I still keep on my house and shop in St James's Street it being Company for Mother for should Martha come to leave she would be very Dull in the House alone we look forward with hopes of seeing you next month with your son if nothing Happens You must my Dear sister excuse me writing more at Present for my Dear Little Wife intends finishing this herself therefore believe me

To Remain your affectionate  
Brother J Henley

My Dear Sister

With much pleasure I write these lines to you my dear Husband has already told you that we were married yesterday and spent a very happy day. should you and yours to have been here I am very happy likewise my dear John we shall see you soon if nothing prevents I can't write any more I am my dear good affectionate sister Esther Henley  
PS Dear Mother's love to all Has not been so much for months