

feel comfort in the reflection that he is never to experience the like again. I think it is only such reflections that can soothe us ; if we suffer ourselves to dwell on our own loss, we are agonized. You have two promising children left you, who can weep and lament with you, share all your grief, and be to you your only source of comfort. May they be spared to be a blessing to you, the solace of your declining years.

When you are recovered from the first severe shock, I would, my dear cousin, be gratified to hear from you the particulars of your dear husband's death, and how you and Mary are. I presume you will have many friends to condole with you ; but none feel more deeply for you than I do. Mr. Neave begs me to assure you of his deep sympathy and personal interest in whatever concerns you. Give my love to Augustus and Mary, and also to Aunt if she is with you.

Believe me, your attached cousin,

JANE R. NEAVE.

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KASKASKIA, *Oct. 5th*, 1843.

MY DEAR MADAM,—I heard yesterday, on my arrival at this place, of the death of my much esteemed friend, Dr. Linn. I desire most sincerely to condole with you in your heavy affliction. His loss is a great one, not only to his friends, but to the nation in whose councils he occupied so distinguished a place.

I had made my arrangements to have a personal interview with him on this day, but on yesterday the sad news reached me of his sudden and untimely death. He