

The Revd Harry Smith
Thornby
Petriceo.

Combe Bank Feb 9. 8th. 1826-

My dear Mr Smith

I have begged Mr John Anderson to allow me to answer your kind letter, for which he desires me to offer you his best thanks.

I am happy to be able to give as favourable an account of my Father and Mother as the distressing circumstances in which we are now placed can possibly admit.

I am convinced that you, to whom I am so much indebted for your kindness, will fully console with us under this melancholy calamity.

Mrs John Anderson has been in rather a delicate state of health, but is I hope daily improving.

The accounts from London from Mr Andru-
-don are very good, and afford my Mother great
comfort.

I reached this place from Garrow on Sunday
the 29th at about 12 o'clock, four hours previous
to his sad event.

I must beg you to excuse my omission in not
having written to you during your long absence.
There is no excuse to offer, and must trust to
your clemency; May write at your leisure, and
I hope this may revive a correspondence.

Believe me Dear Sir
Yours sincerely.

H. E. Manning.