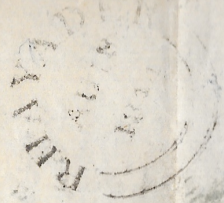


John Thomas Esq
 17th Nov 1848
 Has placed the
 Pump at Mr George
 Corning's house
 near Mr. Henry Corning
 there, who is a
 is much changed & he
 is much aged. His
 wife is confined in an
 asylum, in a hospital
 state of derangement.
 All young people at
 Church with the work
 in full activity, and
 the horrible winds
 Good hope of love,
 but bad weather has
 gathering it. Potatoes
 likely to be a failure
 Autumn, thanks for
 your & vegetable
 from other hall.
 Mr Simon letter.
 To the his house.

James Watt Esq
 Doldowlod
 near Rhayader
 Radnorshire



John Thomas Wm
Soho Road 17 Aug
1848

Has repaired the
Pump at Mr George
Downings house

Saw Mr. Henry Downing
there, whose appearance
is much changed & he
is much aged. His
wife is confined in an
asylum, in a hopeless
state of derangement.

All going on well at
French Walls, the works
in full activity, and
the houses all tenanted

Good crops of corn,
but bad weather for
gathering it. Potatoes
likely to be a failure

Return thanks for
fruit & vegetables
from Arthur Hall.
Wm Peman better.

Tender his services.

Soho Foundry 17th Aug. 1844.
James Watt Esqrs
Doldowlod.

Sir,

I have had nothing of any importance to communicate since I last wrote to you, and now take the liberty of informing you, that all is going on as usual at French Walls, where the houses are fully occupied, and the Works in full activity.

The bucket and clack of the pump at Mr. Geo. Downing's house was so out of repair he could get no water, and in drawing the clack, the working barrel was so much damaged, that it became necessary to take up the tree, and put in a new one, which has just been done, and a good job made of it.

I saw Mr. H. Downing at French Walls about a fortnight since, when he was enquiring after your health, & desired me to present his respects to you. I thought him much changed and aged in appearance, and was exceedingly sorry to learn that Mrs. Downing was

still confined in an Asylum, in a hopeless state of derangement.

The greater part of the corn hereabouts is cut, and the crops are likely to be very good, but it is expected the Potatoes will be quite a failure. We have had a great deal of rain lately, and the weather still continues showery. no harm has however I should think yet been done, and I trust it will soon become more settled.

I saw Mrs. Herman on Sunday last, and was glad to find her looking better than when I last saw her, just before you left home. She has on two occasions supplied me with fruit and vegetables, for which I beg to present to you my best thanks.

If there is any way in which I can be of use to you here, I beg leave to assure you of the willingness and pleasure with which I should attend to your wishes, and sincerely hoping your health is continuing good.

I remain Sir
Most respectfully
Your obliged &
humble servant
Wm. Thomas