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The 23 day of the 9/mo [9th month] 1696

Deare [Dear] friends]

Samuel [Samuel Jennings] and Ann Jennigs [Ann Jennings] I and my wife [Phebe Pemberton] were

no sooner acquainted with you but we sencibly [sensibly] knew that you sincerely loved us & [and] I wold [would] be great ingratetute [ingratitude] in me if I shold [should] not make an acknowledgment thereof that hath [has] been so eminently shown of late in takeing [taking] so parental a Care as you have now done of my ^young tender^ babe ~~whose~~ [strikethrough: illegible] ^whose^ mother the lord has been pleased to remove from it and therefore that if the Child shold [should] grow to years of [space filler: -] understanding that it may not be unmindfull [unmindful] who hath [has] nurtured it & [and] taken so great a Care for it & [and] that a suitable and due respect may be given from it & [and] my family to you and yours for so great love and kindnes [kindness] shown I have thought good to take a method in the nameing [naming] of it some thing [something] suitable to what is used amongst the Britans [Britons] and Germans and some times [sometimes] amongst [amongst] the english [English] and do call it

Phineas Jennigs Pemberton [Phineas Jennings Pemberton]

not by adding your name ^thereby^ to ~~impose as~~ expect either your Care Charge or trouble over or for it Longer then [than] you are freely willing [strikethrough: illegible] or find it Conveniant [convenient] so to do or by allowing it my own name thereby expecting ^to^ save to myself any power to take it from you whilst you are willing so to keep it because I am fully satisfied [satisfied] of your parental Care and love towards it & [and] of your Capacity beyond mine at this time for its nurture & [and] education and that it may be rightly understood the reason of my so calling it I thought good to give the same in writing who am under a deep [sencenc?] [sense?/sentence?] of your sincere love towards me greatly [space filler: ~] obliged to love you agane [again] and am your real friend

PP [Phineas Pemberton]

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[Written by Phineas Pemberton in the middle of the page.]

my letter to Sa Jenings [Samuel Jennings]
aboutt [about] my boy [Phineas Jennings Pemberton]

[In a more modern hand in bottom left.]

Phineas Pemberton

9mo [9th month] 23 1696

to

Samuel [Samuel Jennings] and Ann Jenings [Ann Jennings]