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The 23 day of the 9th mo 1696

Dear friends

Samuel and Ann Jennings I and my wife were
no sooner acquainted with you but we soonely know that
you favourably loved vs & it wold be great ingratitude in
me if I should not make an acknowledg^{ment} thereof that
hath been so dimly shown of late in taking so
parental a care as you have now done of my babe ^{young London} whose
~~mother~~ ^{whose} mother the Lord has been pleased to remove from it
and therefore that if the child should grow to years of
understanding that it may not be unmindfull who hath
nurtured it & taken so great a care for it & that a suitable
and due respect may be given from it & my family to you
and yours for so great love and kindness shown I have
thought good to take a method in the naming of it some
thing suitable to what is used amongst the Britains and
Germans and some times amongst the English and do call

Phineas Jennings Bomborlon

not by adding your name ^{thereby} to ~~impose~~ ^{express} or putt upon your
care charge or trouble over or for it longer then you are
freely willing ~~to~~ or find it convenient so to do or by
allowing it my own name thereby ^{to} expressing same to myself
any power to take it from you whilst you are willing so to
keep it because I am fully satisfied of your parental
care and love towards it & of your capacity beyond mind
at this time for its nurture & education and that it may
be rightly understood the reason of my so call my it I
thought good to give the same in writing who am under
a deep sense of your sincere love towards me greatly
obliged to love you againe and am your real friend
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my letter to the young
lady about my boy

Thomas Pemberton

June 23. 1696.

to

Samuel and Ann Jennings