

July 6/20

Muncham. July 7. 1820

Am: July 17/20. I regret: of Mr. W. Williams I continue
his Medical studies; & Mr. H. Williams I add q. Study
of Medicine & Surgery & his other studies.

My dear Sir

As Henry Williams is writing to you, I take the opportunity of requesting ~~to consult~~ permission to consult you upon his case and that of his brother, William. I am glad to find you have had some personal communication with William, who has also since that time passed ten days with me. You probably found him much in want of instruction and guidance. But I believe him to be altogether seriously minded, and fully bent on edifying himself and others through the blessing of God in the love and knowledge of the gospel. He will value the few hints you gave him for the right employment of his time; which I have also taken the liberty of expanding into a more settled order of private study for the purposes of classical proficiency, theological knowledge, and ~~practical~~ devotion. The thing however still remains to be done. His apprenticeship to a surgeon will expire next Christmas as I believe. He has a small sum, bequeathed to him, which with assistance from private friendship may be sufficient to help him forward in his present profession, but will not certainly be enough to enable him to change it: and accordingly, before I heard anything of his present views, I had engaged a very desirable situation for him with an eminent surgeon in Bedford for a year and a half, that so I might both have him near me for a period, preparatory to his going to London, and also do that for him, which I thought would be most conducive to his professional success. The question to be determined therefore is, whether this engagement shall be set aside, and any en-