

Sydney July 15. 1858

My dear Mother

I have received yours of — and am
much pleased to hear from you & from your country
I am and expect to be ⁶the same old fellow whose motto
is "I shall fight if ever" — am willing to be a letter den. to
reprove my manners, but not to change my views of
a Bishop, duty, but to know & then with enduring fidelity
perform that duty, am opposed to all parties among the prelates
& such who would to defeat their selfish courses —

There are the first sort of alterations in the Virginia case
& that for a Nicholas Party, would be a most in coming
time — The Editor must be prominent — in his office, in
conference, and in the Synod with the Pres. & with all
who are not for a reform (not simply improvement) in
our Government & Ministerial qualification — I have been
told that he never fails either to put, or lean on in the
way who he dares do it, and I am to know that I have
never returned his bad tempers towards me & never returned
it — — you had better be cautious how you suggest

changes in the duties of P. Elders & in the view of having a
Bishop for each Congregation — not the most distant chance to
make any such changes — There is in ^{my} Opinion but little
change wanted any where except in the first structure
who 10 or 12 years ago — wanted changes — have very gradually
changed their wishes, or have lost all influence, or died away

Our evil is a struggle for office or for place

I am very well & fast recovering my flesh, & hope soon
to be as large as life & three as natural & hope some time
this winter to visit Norfolk & Suffolk —

Give my kind regards to sister Deborah & the children

yours truly
Geo. Early

How is Mrs. Berry attending in E. City, & how does
your Suffolk procedure get along - and how does
my friend Sturdy get along. E.