

For the county of Sonoma
The burgess 1794

Dear Brother—

Our worthy Brother Wm Brame came to my
House last Evening & in our discourse he
informed me that he was acquainted with
a Preacher named Isaac Backus calling to
mind the reading of a Piece of your letter
for the some years past, gave me to know
the happiness of seeing your face in person
but thinking of the distance being so great
& the many years past it we have both seen and
expect it, therefore

expect it, therefore have made bold to
write to you ^{as a} stranger, Dear Brother, some
years past the candle of the Lord seems to
shine among us, sinners were crying
for mercy & saints rejoicing in the Lord
but our Brethren that seemed to be much