

My dear Mother
New York February 6th 1802

A Petition given by John Smith Attorney upon the head of
Betsey the Widow Daughter of Isaac and Deborah Mead. Born in
Washington County New York February 6th 1802
I Peter Betsey in the name of Jesus Christ I place my hand
upon thy head and pronounce and seal the Petitions of the Mercies
Thou art upon thee & say unto thee be of good cheer and let thy heart
be comforted. The Lord hath heard thy petitions and is pleased with thine
integrity. Thou hast seen many things and hast not through trying wealts &
thou shalt surely receive thy Reward. The Angel who hath watched over thee
from thy childhood hath preserved thy life & will not forsake thee but
will whisper in thine ear and give thee grace & strength sufficient for day Day &
thou shalt be Equal to every task thou art of the blood of Joseph & of the
lineage of Abraham and thy name shall be changed as was in honorable Remembrance
with the Saints and written in the Lamb's Book of life thy children shall be a blessing
unto thee in thine old age & thy grandchildren shall rise up & bless thee & thou
shalt be renowned hereafter among the Faithful Mothers in Israel who have faithfully
the good night in which the wife of Leah shall not look for the conquest of life & thou
shalt comfort the hearts of the Meek in the future as in the past & all shall
be well with thee both here and hereafter. Thus with thy former Petitions I seal
upon thy head and I seal thee up into Eternal life to come forth in the
Resurrection of the just Resurrection with many of thy kindred & friends
So Amen