

Trades getting worn & worn every year in London, so  
much so that people of a thousand a year feel the deplora-  
= ble alteration of & declension in Trade no person can  
tell where it will end, Labour in some Trades has been  
reduced from 10 to 30 p cent, while I am able to keep the  
City or Booth Street I shall endeavour to be thankful  
& satisfied about one hundred <sup>pounds</sup> or rather more p Annun  
we have had our Rent reduced from 25 £ to 19 £ p Ann. &  
the Taxes reduced near 20 £. Thomas, Business has  
so fell off of late years & so reduced in price that at my  
Death it is highly probable he will be obliged to go to  
your pants, could he or was he to earn half what I do we  
could do pretty well; altho then he could not I marry & settle  
with propriety; it has pleased the Almighty to restore me  
to my usual Health & Strength; but I must admit begin  
to feel some of the infirmities of Age & am well or fully aware  
that at <sup>about</sup> 70 years of Age my continuance is very uncertain  
there have been a N<sup>o</sup> of sudden Deaths of late about  
London, John Batger, Sarah Cook &c &c.  
do not take any notice of the above in any of thy Letters, as  
Thomas & temper & ours do not quite agree, we are obliged  
to give him his way; Master Evans house has been  
damaged by fire; there must be a party wall & bricks thick  
built, new pipes from top to bottom; fresh paper & painted  
I expect the Tenant a large Journeyman will have to lay out  
about 500 £. Master some years ago was obliged to take  
+

Tell your dear Children I entreat them to seek the  
Lord God of their Fathers in their Youth & he who is  
visiting & revisiting the Young People of every place  
by his good Spirit or <sup>a</sup> Ray of his Divine Light which  
of obeyed carries or gives power within will be found of  
them; Adams Sins will not be properly speaking be  
ours until by Disobeying the Divine Command by  
eating Forbidden Fruit we make them so by joining in  
with them &c &c —

4. 1834

\* The Lease back & could not let it without taking off  
60 L. p. Ann; the Tenant having a Lease will have to lay  
out near 500 L. — My Master being <sup>empire</sup> with his Family  
at Bolougne in France; the Teacher & his 5 Children were  
taken a walk under the <sup>old</sup> cliffs, they fell down & killed  
a fine Boy 5 Years <sup>old</sup>; & injur'd the Teacher & the other.  
it was a <sup>great</sup> Mercy the Father's Money was not with them  
I omitted in my last to mention Hereage Street is very  
<sup>much</sup> improv'd since they left they side is pretty well cover'd  
there is a large Cabinet Manufactory, a Brewery  
& a Coach Masters house Compton has built a  
Garden wall next the Street 9 or 10 feet high; the other  
side is cover'd with very decent Houses; Hartshorne has  
taken D. Look's late Premises @ 4000 p. Ann. & also a part  
of the vacant ground beyond his own &c. he often enquires  
respectfully after thee & thine

25/9. 1834 T.C.