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My Dear Sir,

I was very sorry to learn that you had been obliged from ill health to leave Washington before the close of the Term, and hope that the comforts & quiet of home has already restored you. This session of the court was too long, and I was satisfied from experience, that the members of the court would find they were physically unable to continue it to the first of May. The strongest constitutions after three & a half months of incessant occupation of the mind to such a variety of important questions, often rendered more difficult & entangled by the confused manner

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in which they are stated in the transcript from the inferior Court, will feel that they require rest & relaxation for a time to recover from the fatigue & lassitude of incessant and severe labor. And we have never attempted to continue the term for a longer period without breaking down one or more members of the court.

As for myself, I appear to be slowly regaining my strength, although I yet walk with a tottering step & am glad to have the arm of stronger man to support me. I ventured to court on Friday & Monday the two last days of the court, & to conference yesterday. But I do not know that I should have gone into

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court at this late period of the Term if I had not understood that on one day last week only six of the Judges were able to attend, and feared the session might be brought to a close for want of a quorum, which would have been a very unpleasant termination of the term.

Present my best & kindest regards to Mrs. Grief & the ladies of your family.

Very respectfully & truly your friend and sevt. R. B. Taney

Mr. Justice Grier of the Sup. Ct. U.S.