

founded upon rational principles, with us fair a prospect of future
happiness, as this varying and changeable world affords.

I wish my other Granddaughters

may conduct with as much circumspection - the anxiety I express to you
upon a former occasion, has subsided. reflection I hope has given place to
discretion, and the example before her, had its influence - I have not
known her in better health and spirits than at present. I must always
give her credit, for the harmony and Friendship in which she has lived
with Caroline, without envy, and without jealousy, always joining in
the praises bestowed -

I do not know whether Susan has
mentioned in her Letter the sickness of her Grandfather - I have had
great anxiety for three weeks past upon his account, he was seized with
a most violent cold attended with a fever, which deprived him of ~~any~~
and strength, he could neither read or write, or sit up half the day
and we had such cold east winds, and foggy weather, that there was
no prospect of getting rid of it, he has struggled through it, and is now
I hope upon the recovery - tho' much broken down - his constitution seems
wearing - and reminding us, that we must both quit off this tabernacle of
flesh, and go the way, whence we shall not return, until the heavens be
no more.

We both have our ardour with remaining that
we may live to see the return of our son and Family, our last letters
were in Feb, y before the arrival of Mr. Stung who carried out new com-
missions to Great at Gottenburgh -

I have a letter from Mrs Adams, dated
in Sept, about the time the Venture was to have sailed, in which she
expresses great anxiety for her sister, about embarking at that season of