

of a Girle,¹ my Love to Sister and all her little ones &c, my heart is wth them, I remain you^r Lov^s Bro.

TEMPLE NELSON

John I Nelson to Henry Lloyd, Queen's Village, N. Y.

LONG ISLAND,² March 9 1727.

M^r LLOYD S^r.

Mr. Temple³ has shewed me y^r Letter wherein you seem desirous for the returne of y^r sone, which we all doe Joyntly oppose for he is soe earnestly inclined and adapted for buissness, and his oppertunity of being with his Aunt; Capt Steele⁴ haueingsent his man abroad, in Order & vieu of haueing of him, all w^{ch} considered I have presumed to take upon myself his detention amoung us, knowing it might be for his future good and Settlement in the world, to w^{ch} I will contribute what lies in my power & he himselve most earnestly prays that you will hearken to our Intercession in his behalfe & when his Brother comes, whome you say we may shortly expect, we shall further explaine, his and our reasons, which beleive will prevaile, he trusts that his mother will be on our side and doubt not but you will haue the satisfaction of his prosperitie & well doing. We all of us present you and your wife & the rest of the family wth our hearty loue & affection, praying for the continuance of Gods protection & safeguard, our you & your affairs. I remaine y^r most affectionate & Lo Father &c.

JO. NELSON

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³ Capt. Robert Temple, a son-in-law of the writer.

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