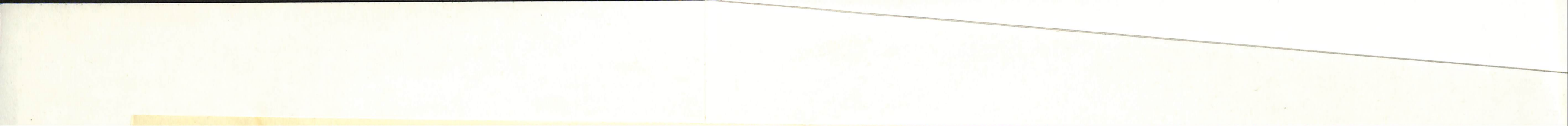


New York November 22nd 1834

My dear Brother

We received your letters day before yesterday and they were very acceptable for it was some time since we had heard from you. but I was a little disappointed that I did not receive one, but I know what a miserable correspondent you are so I will excuse you but I hope ~~you~~ I shall soon receive one from you.

Harriet and Sarah Davis have been very gay this winter (I say winter but it is not winter yet.) they have been to several parties they are very intimate with the Schermerhorns and are becoming quite intimate with Emily Ogden I think she is a sweet girl from what I have seen of her but I do not know her. The girls are invited to Mrs Jones in Broadway it is to be a great ball I have heard and they are going Uncle Washington and Theodore are their escort wherever they go. Uncle Washington took us to the Opera last Monday. we were all



very much pleased. They arrived about a month ago ~~and~~
here in one of the Canton ships a Chinese lady she is exhibiting
at No eight Backplace they ask fifty cents to see her, we
have not been to see her, and I do not know whether we
shall go to see her or not. I believe the only thing is to see
her small feet - that I should like to see the room for they
say it is furnished in the Chinese style. I saw in last
evening's paper that the climate did not agree with
her, and they were going to take her to the south. They say
that the Captain of the vessel that she came in bought
her from her parents and have brought her out to this
Country for speculation I should not think that he
could make much by it. Henry Van Wert and his wife
Irving, Julia, and Susan, have all gone to ^{near Boston} Cambridge to spend
the winter they have taken a house already furnished for
six months and have gone to housekeeping. I do not know
how they will get on in this country but Irving has
improved very much but Henry is my favorite I like
him very much. Aunt-Paul, Mabel, and Sarah are with
us again for the winter. Julia and Mary continue to
be ^{it still at} the Seminary and they are getting along very well
Wesley has gone to Sing-Sing boarding school he likes it
very much we could not get along with him at home
he was growing so wild,

I was to spend the winter with Edgar and Amanda
but have been disappointed as Amanda has been very
ill with the Cholera at Baltimore but she has recovered
and they will not let her leave Baltimore so I have to
~~also~~ give up going this winter. Miss Ruth Schuyler is
in town I have seen her several times in the street
but do not know. Theodore saw her last evening at the Opera
she is staying at the Goodhue's I do not know how long she
is to remain in town Mamma and all send their
love to you and excuse this elegant scrawl for I am
sitting on the floor to write your affectionate sister

Mr William Irving
care of Capt Russell's

favor of
Mr. Tilden.

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