

New York, July 22^d. 1833 -

My dear Will.

I believe I have, thus far, written
by every opportunity that has offered since you left us,
and now will improve the present, by giving you some
thing of a state, though as you will have a large
batch from the bags and others, I fear I shall be
boggled to make up much in the way of information.
The ship that is now about to sail for Canton
I fear will be near about the last that will sail
for some time again, but when another does offer
you may be sure of having many despatches from
us, for we are continually on the look out for every
opportunity that may be available, and I hope
you will be as attentive, for we will always be
very eager and anxious to hear from you - and more
especially for Father's sake, who experiences the
greatest solicitude for your welfare - he is always
talking of you, and longs very much for some infor-
-mation from or of you. It appears a great while
since you left us, but is comparatively short with
your intended absence - The interval that has elapsed
may appear greater to me, from the monotonous

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