

New York October 19th 1833 -

My Dear Will -

I feel vexed whenever I think that I have missed several opportunities of writing to you, as they offer so rarely - but - I have been up at Oreas and seldom heard that a vessel was to sail until it was too late to write - I think hereafter of keeping a sort of journal to send you at a moment's notice - the vessel that is to take this will be off in about an hour, so I must make the most of my time -

You must by this time be at Canton, doubtless much to your joy - for a voyage of four months is no joke - how I should like to go ashore with you and talk of old times - ~~it~~ from not hearing from you it seems years, since you left and I have so much to say that I know not where to begin -

I have been wandering up in the country and have scarcely seen any one - this summer I was a short time at the Spring, - from there I went over with a party to dine with the Schuylers at their place of Schuylersville - a lovely romantic spot - I was treated with great kindness and attention - Ruth looked as beautiful as ever - we had a long talk about you and old times - her sister Elizabeth has improved and grown quite lovely - has changed from red to Auburn &c - they are in town now and I expect to see them today and shall tell them I have been writing to you - Ruth wishes to be remembered

William Irving Esquire
Canton -

Theo. Irving
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