

Albany March 22nd 1826

My Dear Uncle

I have received your letter of the 8th inst and be assured that it is not out of neglect that I have not written to you before for I have been so engaged in drawing. Aunt says she thinks that you will be pleased with my performances when you see them.

In your last letter to me you said that you had been confined to your room with a cold but was better I hope by this time you have quite recovered and hope we shall soon have the pleasure of seeing you here.

I was very much pleased to hear that the children was so much improved. I have received a letter from Maria gave my love to her and tell her I will answer her letter soon.

We are both well and unite in love to you all.

I remain your affectionate niece
Joanna Van Wyck

Miss Joanna V. Lyck
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My dear Mother
I have just received your letter of the 19th inst. and am
glad to hear from you. I am well and hope these few lines
will find you the same. I have not much news to write at
present.

I have been thinking much of late of the future of our
country. It seems to me that we are in a very critical
position. The people are divided in their views on many
important questions. I hope that we may yet be united
and that we may be able to overcome all our difficulties.
I am, my dear Mother, very affectionately,
Your son,
John V. Lyck

Heaven be with us all.

Yours affectionately
John V. Lyck