

Sept^r 16th 1822.

My Dear Mother

I yesterday received your kind letter & am ashamed that I have not written before, but you can easily imagine how much I have had to attend to since my return. I was absent seven weeks & during that time there was considerable company here & affairs went rather behind hand. especially as I have been obliged to give up a very good cooked content myself with a poor one, so that the rough chickens don't taste like Manning Lydias. The number of my family is twenty, & that somebody must be on the alert to manage & regulate the whole —

Our journey home was pleasant, we came by the way of Springfield, & at Sheffield Suffield I went to the grave yard to see my Uncle & Aunt's graves but unfortunately did not remember whether their names were Gay or Hitchcock. I however was pretty sure it was Gay. & I made inquiries & found the present & former minister of the place was Gay & that decided me. but I have sent a message to Uncle Parham to write me all about them — You perhaps know that M^r & M^{rs} Dewey made us a short visit & M^r Dewey preached for Dr. Lintman on Sunday afternoon. The people were pleased with him —

I was very happy to have Louisa recall the scenes of
her youth. She has a very fine child — Catharine
(Mrs Jones) health seems to be quite restored. She has a good
color, more I think than she has had for the
last four or five years, & is in every respect free
from indisposition. Her little daughters are both
well, & Mr Jones has been staying two or three
days here but has now gone to N York. The
fever seems to be spreading there, & all prudent
people have deserted the lower part of the City —

Wm & George are not going to school till the
first of October, they were very desirous to lengthen
their stay to that time & we to gratify them.
As the fever was in N York & people constantly
going out to the surrounding country about the
City, I thought it was better to keep them at
home till that time — They are both well &
very happy. They own a new horse which they
call Robin after a horse Mr Gilman has at N York —
William has gone to carry Cornelia to Beekman
Town to make a visit to her Aunt Bogerts —
they went to day, Cornelia is to be left & Wm
is to return on Saturday. The distance from here
is thirty eight miles. It is quite a journey for
such young travellers

George is busy from morning to night. he never
has an idle moment — We all enjoyed our visit
to Newburg Fort very much & shall never forget
it — it seems indeed to me like a dream that we
have all been there, but a most pleasant one.

My dear Mother we have sad news from our friend
at Albany. Mr Iner has been struggling with a
Pleurisy for the last fortnight. to day we hear
he is very low, & his life despaired of. I cannot
as yet ventige it. he has nine children the
oldest of them 14, a year younger than William.

I do not know a man more
fitted for all the domestic duties
of life than Mr Iner — should the news be correct
you will undoubtedly see his death soon announced,
but Heaven grant his life may yet be spared —
Robert is at home, Stephen I have not seen he
is on a journey with Mr Hamilton & her daughter
Eliza — I saw Mr Williston yesterday she asked
a great deal about you. I don't think you would
know her she is but a wreck of what she was —
her mind however is not that I can perceive the
least impaired — Pray remember me most kindly
to all our good friends at Newburg fort. every
one joins me in love to you. Adieu dear Mother Mrs

Wm
Singer

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to

M^r Lyell Singer

State Street

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Wm Schuyler letter
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