

Ms. A. 2. 2. - 1830

My Dear Em.

P.S. I was anxious to have
of your seabirds and my
dear son. How patient you
are. "How little these birds
know you little there."

I have this moment
received your letter and hasten to
thank you for it. In spite of my
body's letter before Christmas the
season was to us a pleasant one
your Grandpa was convalescent on
New-Year's day and has been very well
since - our mornings slip away almost
as pleasantly this winter as the last
though we Miss Metropolis Music to the
chief bolts worn to enliven them - his
Lawrence, Wm. dear, "the year in
Spain" a Wm. Verplanck generally
drop in during the week and always

contrive to meet on Sunday evening. "Militaire" we ride together a great
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desk and has accomplished upwards
of a thousand miles on horse back this
summer. The other afternoon my horse
was startled by a pig coming rapidly behind
him & when I attempted to get out of the
way never started up on his hind legs with
the staff of the gig came with full
force against his haunches - he reeled out
of the road and flung your uncle into it
but while he was picking himself up from
the dirt - "the y. in Spain" had stopped the
and made the driver apologize for this
carthness to you see he is a complete
Cavalier I never mention this thing
about the gentleman I don't mention
his name because with that he is of
course acquainted ^{at this time} and all the jibes here
speak of him of the epithet I use. Nor but he
gets teased to death about him - to be sure
the talk to him more than to any body else

but then he converses more with ~~her~~ ^{more} than the
other gentlemen who visit at the house. Some
people say that his ^{eldest} brother the district attorney
of New Orleans and the younger one who writes
poetry for the "Atlantic Souvenir" have more talent
but I don't believe a word in it and your Grandpa

Yours in love
C. Q.

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Miss Emma Nichols
care of Mrs Nichols
White Sulphur Springs



agrees with me - Your Grandpa desires his love to you
& your mother & Matilda I have forwarded the
in great haste my dear Emma for "the dear in pain"
a writing for me - You may show however to
Matilda to whom you & your mother join my love
ever yours affectionately
C. Q. HF 3034 Y