

Hoboken.

Bergen Co. N.J.

Aug 29th 83

Dear Mr.

In answer

to your letter of the 27th inst.

received

the sad news of your

father's passing

I am glad to hear

you are getting back

just because I liked him as a man
and then because we was a right-bower
for me in acting. he knew me so well -
if I made an allegation of technical
bump at night he had an intuition
that seemed to anticipate me -

now I am choosing another actor
who tho' careful and anxious will I
now fall far short of poor Chas for
my purpose - if Monday is hot and
you are tired don't come - Rip is back.

an old story that
there is nothing to say
of it - he is better.

I hope you are all
well at the Island

I wish you could
have been here this
week but I am
in the train at 9 in
the morning and
don't get out till