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New York Sunday May 15 1863

My Beloved Child

I wrote you yesterday -

This morning Com. Hamell & St. Church solicited me in favor of the connection between your Sister & St. Malcombe suggesting the little probability there was of ultimately procuring, assuring me that on the strictest enquiry they had found his moral character correct and unblemished and believing with them that no effectual opposition could be made, I judge it most prudent that my child should not be driven to despair, to acquiesce in their wishes, which were supported by your sisters having gained this point from me, they informed me that they believed the marriage had actually taken place, prudence suggests the propriety of withholding any painful comments on the subject, I have therefore written my Child an affectionate letter, and whilst a check was for such an important step without my knowledge, I freely forgive the improbably and assure her that she is still dear to the heart of her fond parents, and thus will ensure peace to her friends - Adieu God bless you & yours
Yours evermore, most affectionately
J. S. Smyth

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To Philip W. Schuyler Esq
at Poughkeepsie
Dutchess County



to Schuyler
May 18-1800

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