

New York September 12th 1833

Pa would write to you himself dear Emma but is so much occupied at Court now that he has not time therefore I write both for him and myself to tell you that we shall be delighted to see you. I had some hope of paying you a visit at Hamilton Pa talked of it very seriously at the time but it all ended in talk, he tells me to give his love to Mother and Mr. Whitman and says to them that he is very much disappointed in not having a visit from them this fall he fully expected me, we are all very desirous to become acquainted with Mr. Whitman. Pa knows so many people from your part of the country that he is constantly hearing about him, and continually when he comes home to dinner he has something to tell me of 'Pete's husband'; dear little Cyren too, I long to play with him, he will be quite a big boy before he becomes acquainted with his Aunt Julia, I hope next Spring may bring us together though that seems a long time to look forward to.

George and Charles are both at Elm Lake where George has met with a very serious accident, he discharged a loaded gun into his left arm and at first we were fearful that amputation would be necessary but the wound has been well treated and his arm will be saved, though it will probably be a long time before he recovers the use of it. Dr. Hoffman says it is a miracle that the bone was not broken nor the artery cut, the charge entered the inside of the arm above the elbow, the accident happened at the mill about seven miles from the Lake, and for six hours he

was in a small farm house alone before his friend Mr Jones or the
Doctor arrived, suffering dreadfully, he writes word now that he is
able to walk about the house and in spite of the wound is in good
health and grows fat, Charles ~~who~~ went up on hearing of the accident
and I hope will soon be able to bring George down that he be under
the care of City Physicians.

I suppose you saw Mr Wilkes death in the paper though so ill for
a long time I believe his death was not so soon expected by his family
he had not his senses for several days before he died - Mr Golden too
is extremely ill, his complaint is dropsy on the chest, Dr Francis told
me that he might last until Christmas, and he might not live a week
his health has been failing for a great while.

I must close my letter dear Eve for I do not wish to delay it over
another mail for fear from not hearing you should miss some
opportunity of writing down, with best love to your mother and
Matilda and remembrance to Mr Whitman. Believe me ever

your attached aunt

Julia Hoffman

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