

Dear Irving,

Canton, Sunday Morning

Dec. 28. 1834-

Since my return from Calcutta, the loading of the Panama, & dispatches for the Caliscum and Labina have kept my hands so much employed, that I have been unable to write before, and now I presume am too late for the Kimberg. - for these reasons and the non-occurrence of a good opportunity for Sartin. Your Trunk ~~is~~ not then in time, for the vessel before referred to. - I hear of the arrival of the L. Gilpin below, and it being possible that she will bring me a letter from you, I shall defer sending it now, till I hear more of your plans for the future -

Upon my arrival in Canton I made enquiry respecting the opium market which I found quite favourable to Patna, with a tendency to advance in this description - the rate has been, and still is 25 & 30 - at the former price, I could now close an parcel but do not, as there is very little demand in consequence of the capture of a Sunk outside with Loas Chests, which has checked all action & frightened the brokers who have fled from their posts - in this state of things prices are firm, and a recurrence of demand

will lead to an advance - again the China new Year is approaching which makes the allandams hungers and is a strong argument in favor of an immediate sale - I have offered the lot at 530 - at which I am at present disposed to sell - but as the new Crop will not be coming to market till the latter part of February - so not want to submit to a less price -

I have taken your picture from Saunders, and paid him 10¢ - the other commissions shall be observed in due season. -

We are daily expecting the Clementis from alland - the allandora is reported to have arrived below from Boston to the 2^d July - By the French Ship Tourville we heard of this vessel at Java. bound here to the Consignment of Mrs. not A.C. for - I am not in possession of any news whatever by her, save the rejection of "Stevenson" & "Taney" by the Senate of the United States - the undertakers in her voyage - I do not even know, but Thomas Lamb has an interest -

As our Anna has made you a present of 1 Box, Pawlhang and a 100 Box fine Hypan, which with any other Cinnamon Teas that may come in, I will observe your directions -

Captain Whitney has placed his business in the hands of the House - Doctur San see being, I have some scratching in view, and pray you, to hold me excusable if you do not get many a long letter - Teas are not selling very low generally; the finest chips of all the green Teas having been taken out of market - of Hypan. Skin Composites & Imperials mostly for England - those remaining of all sorts are generally inferior, and such grades can be had at 33 50% below the prices of last Year? - Olyphant & are loading the Cork, which vessel will sail from the 10th to 15th proximo - Panama about the same time - both these vessels, and the Sabina run largely upon Long Island - Breakfasted with Hathaway on Christmas day & dined with Russell Sturgis, - in the evening Delano Dana's Captain Cunningham Hunter some others & myself had a grand Rhau out in the Square with Rockets, Fire crackers & every other description from 10 c 12 c & when we adjourned to Hathaway's - Lay Delano, Hunter, "Lizard" Dana, Cunningham & myself where we partook of a fine Supper, and then commenced upon the Champagne - I observed some discretion, as usual, drank sparingly, and got home & to bed in the morning -

all the others remained till 4 o'clock. and were
completely smashed - You can judge the rest -
at our own house there was quite a party at
Dinner - Gorton, Archer, Wetmore, Hubbells, &
Muttis alias - they had a good dinner and I fancy
enjoyed themselves - on the same day I am
told Landon, Quies bo. individuals - on the first
of January Turner gives a party -
no more now - I am

very sincerely

Your friend

Chas. Torr

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