

Sophia Rip is going with us to
visit Mrs Ellsworth. I expect to
enjoy myself very much and wish
you would go. I should not have
copied the poetry on such exquisite paper
but so you remember you told me once to
write to you on it.

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When you receive this my
dear Emma I shall probably be in Hartford.
Nothing but inability has prevented me from
seeing you before I leave, and when I think
how very soon you are going away I half
wish to remain at home. All last week after
I left you something happened every day to
prevent my going, but to 17th street and on
Friday we received a letter from Aunt
Humball urging us to come up and
make her a visit this week. Papa wishes
me to go and this in addition to the
pleasure of visiting Aunt Eliza and of
being once more at liberty to run in the
country has decided me to go. Henry is
going and we shall probably return
the first of next week. As soon as I
return I shall ride out to see you

and you must be prepared to come
house and spend a week with me for
I am afraid to have it put off longer
lest by such procrastination you will
go away and not come at all, and
you know Emma that it would be
ever regretted by me should you go
without making this promised visit.
Oh Emma who knows whether or when
we shall ever have another opportunity
of being together so long again. When I
think of your going it seems as if I
could not have it so. Enclosed is a
copy of some verses I saw the other day &
which will please you I think. I
remember your observations upon the
text which is the subject of them and
thought they would exactly suit you.

I saw Charles in the
street one day last week, so your
wanderers have returned and you
are no longer alone.

I had a fine ride
in the omnibus the morning I left

you. I was no sooner seated than I
perceived it was a canal stage and
that I must ride through Broadway and
as it was raining it was impossible for
me to walk and when your Grandfather
got out at the City Hall, I mustered all
my resolutions and resolved to ride down
to Trinity Church, as there was quite a
gentlemanly looking personage opposite
me I thought that if any thing should
happen he would protect me and by
trying to forget I was alone, I consoled
myself. Nothing happened, when the
stage stopped this unknown gave the
driver my shilling and I jumped out
as soon as possible.

I will write to
you from Hartford, and if you will
write to me in a day or two and
direct it to the care of Hon Joseph Knapp
I shall get your letter, don't wait for
me to write, but write in a day or two
from this time. I received a note from
Mary at Oyster Bay last week they will
be at home the last of this week she said.

Return your parasol and half dollar
with many thanks for both. Have
you heard of Anne Hayes' death? she
died very suddenly last Monday. Poor
Mr Hayes is almost frantic. Oh Emma
what an affliction it is to him, and to
the family, ~~it~~ is an irreparable loss. I
have not heard very particularly about her
death, but expect a letter from Helen soon.

Miss Emma Nichols.

and shall hear soon. Good bye my
dear Emma accept ~~with~~ affection from
your sincere friend
Eliza Storey