

My dear Uncle

I now have an opportunity of writing to you to let you know that I am much better than when Mamma was down here and that we enjoy ourselves very much at school I study Geography Grammar History Arithmetic and Writing and I should like to know very much when Papa Mamma and Joanna are coming down to see me I am very glad to hear that my brother David talks French I send my love to Papa Mamma GrandMamma and all the children the Misses Delawans and all the young ladies are very well I am very much pleased with my Geography and if my dear Uncle will let me have a paint Box I should like to begin to draw maps next quarter almost all the young Ladies attend to this branch and Miss Mary thinks it is very improving to them I will try before spring to draw you the map of the state of New York and put in the canal Miss Mary has some paint Boxes and if you like I will get one of her Give my love to all at home and if my dear Uncle would write to me it would much gratify his affectionate niece

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