

Boston, Dec^r 30, 1857.

Dear Sir — I had the pleasure, yesterday, of sending to your address, by the "Adams Express Company," the small volume bearing the Autograph of Dr. Benj. Church, which I had before proffered for your acceptance. Sincerely thanking you for your kind favor of the 23^d inst., you will allow me to add, that, in thus receiving an Autograph letter from an author who possesses the rare faculty of inspiring the love as well as admiration of his readers, I am more than compensated for the relic I have forwarded.

I hope my humble offering will prove acceptable. It has remained in obscurity for several generations.

Gratefully and deferentially

Yours,



David S. Curtin,

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Hon. Washington Irving.



