

Mr P. J. Schuyler & his

March 10th 1807

parents. Do Mrs Pincus Schuyler
visit to Stillwater or Albany "The Parlor"
near Mrs Cochrane - then Mrs Malcolm

I have no employment my dear parents
more pleasing than writing you & I am equally as certain
that it is one you derive satisfaction from - I am not
now at Rhinebeck but at Stillwater where Mr Schuyler's
brother Russell lives - here we met Mrs Malcolm
with whom I am much pleased - she is a very fine wo-
-man & what just now, I think better than that
very friendly to me - I find Mr Schuyler's friends
disposed to supply the place of my own & though it
is impossible to feel the same sensations to strangers
as to those who from my earliest infancy I have loved
& caressed, yet already there I have seen possess much
of my friendship - I think my dear Mother you
would be highly gratified with the game I play at
my knife & fork - food never comes amiss now, & so
far from its being tedious to sit at the dinner table
the time is much the most tedious that is not spent
there - my health is perfectly good & though William
prophesied that I was to be very tender this winter
if he could see me he would soon yield his opinion -
I calculate upon finding many letters when I get
home - as yet they have been scarce but if my
friends knew the happiness they could impart by
a few lines those that love me would quickly
make the little exertion - It is very pleasant to
me to fancy your different occupations through the
course of the day & so systematical are all our movements
at Newbury Port that I will answer for it in
the ordinary course of events I hit right - It is
only in one spot that I find disquiet - poor Aunt
Fanny's sick room must be a melancholy scene &
her motherless children a call upon all our hearts -

John & Catherine are both with us - the former so far
on his way to Canada - the little boys we left at
home kind Heaven has blessed them with happy dispo-
sitions & they find it easy to be ~~happy~~ contented.
Pray remember my love to Mary Lydia & to Phe-
I expect to hear you have paid Hannah a visit - I
think you will be much gratified she is situated
very pleasantly - in the course of the summer we
shall see you at Rhinebeck indeed my dear father
& mother this is what I calculate much very much
upon - Give my best remembrances to all friends
not forgetting Enck - With every sentiment of duty
& affection Yours M. A. S.

I have the pleasure to say that Tam-
blesed with a wife beyond my deserts. I
trust I shall improve, for I am myself vile
& unworthy of so much excellence. - This
absolutely deny, - for tho' in guiding my pen
she has compelled me to speak well of
her, I cannot consent to indite my own
unworthiness -

Albany March 15th - My dear friends I add a few
lines to say I am thus far on my way to Rhinebeck
after a very pleasant visit at Stillwater - We are now at
Mr. Bransell's or as he is commonly called the Patrons
I shall put my letter into the office at this place &
I hope you will get it sooner than usual, though
it is not worth much - According to the etiquette of
this city I am going to call upon the Governors
lady Mrs. Lewis - I find them all great politicians
here - but the affairs of this State differ so widely
from those of Massachusetts that I feel almost in-
terested in their Country - & as yet am much more interested
in the cause of Slavery - than any of the party
but the Federalists fear here that the
governor will not get in, & after all I think
it is to carry the day - most sincerely I hope they
may be mistaken - I believe you will ^{kindly} understand
some of this letter - but Mr. Schuyler took my pen
to write a postscript & I told him to let me guide
his hand - he consented but I could not persuade
him to subscribe his name until he explained mat-
ters - & in truth I have no right even in joke
to abuse him - for he is the most tender & atten-
tive of friends - I think we shall go to New
York in a week or two - & after that settle quietly
down a sober couple - as yet we have been pretty much
on the wing - - Adieu my beloved Parents -

I enclose a letter to ^{you for} Aunt Farnham because of the
postage -

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D^r Mirajah Sawyer

Newbury Port.
Massachusetts.

Mrs. Schuyler's letter

from ~~W. H. H. H.~~

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