

Saugerties May 24th. 1834

My Dear Willie,

I wrote you about three weeks ago. Since which Father has been kind enough to send up to me two or three letters from you - (per Merchant & Glendon) all of which have given me sincere pleasure. I am pleased to learn also that Father & Uncle Washington have determined to send you about \$500⁰⁰ - to speculate with. This will give you a snug little Capital, and who knows but it may be the beginning of greater things? I hope you did not think me unkind in telling you that you ought not to return until you were able to take care of yourself - for I believe you must feel convinced that I have your welfare near at heart and would cheerfully do anything in my power to add to your comfort or well being.

The boys in N. Y. must give you an account of ^{our} what is going on there - I have seen none of ~~my~~ family since I moved away from there - From all accounts they must be going on comfortably at No. 3 - I have been looking for a visit from some of them, but

have not yet been gratified - Uncle Harbison
Went back to-day for Liverpool - I have seen him
but once or twice since his arrival - but his behaviour
to me then quite won my heart - He is a fine generous
fellow and next to the satisfaction always ^{to be} derived
from paying debts, will be the pleasure of paying it
to do good hearted a relative - You see I speak with
confidence of paying - for altho' my prospects at pre-
sent are not much better than they have been. yet
I feel a sort of assurance that I will one of these
days be able to do it -

Edgar wrote to me a few days ago. He has been on
to Baltimore and talked over my proposition to him
with the old Colonel T. Edgar seems to think
that the old gentleman will advance him the
money - If so, we shall I think start with good
prospects in the fall - I hope sincerely that

I shall get along here - for both the business &
the place suit me to a hair - We have about
^{or nine} eight months of business - just enough to give oc-

cupation - and then we have no bargaining -
no haggling about prices - none of the dirty
part of trade that used to horrify me so
much - During the summer we are pretty
much idle - that is to say - business is over - we
still see - or rather ship - beer - but we have most
of the time to read &c - I love the country more
& more - & will never of my own accord
give it up -

Anna & my children are well - Master Lex
is delighted with the idea of his "Chinese
Kite" - which he hopes to get next week.

I really thank you for your attention - but

Don't spend all your money in presents - You
have now a chance of doing something - to
make money while you are young - and you
may then be able to come home to spend
it - I am very dear Willie
Your most affectionate brother
H. H. P.

Dear Dr Manning
Salem Mass
May 24. 84

Mr. William Irving

Wm Rufus Ho.

Canton.

In my last
 something about
 It did not occur to me
 that the cost might be
 considerable - I am, nevertheless,