

You judged right my Brother your Letter
was indeed a welcome relief to my anxiety which since the
departure of my Brother God has been very painful. —
I have a thousand things to say to you, but we are now in all
the hurry of moving which I must plead as an excuse for
my short Letter and bad writing

You cannot think how I was mortified
at the painful delay you make in the visit you so long have
flattered me with; but if it pleases you I must be content
and wait with patience till your wishes become as warm as
mine - for me you cannot come too soon and I will treat you
bring my darling with you - for I can scarce controul my
anxiety to see her - you have promised me her likeness
long it will be a source of great happiness to me

You inquire how I have spent the winter

I have done my best to please you, I have attempted over
little of Astronomy the beginning of Geography and history
your love has ^{been} my object of reward then doubt not my
attempts - We had last week our examination I
wish you had been to see what improvement I have
made - Mr. Jarvis was here he will tell you all
about it - The list of things I wanted I gave Brother
Gad - and all I find now wanting is a little - cash
for I cannot ask Mr. Van Hook -

I shall long for May and count
every day till the 20th I trust you will not put it
any longer consider it will be 7 Months - now
painfully long to be from ones parents ~~among~~
indeed you cannot tell how much I feel it -
my letter is waited for - Adieu my Brother
Bless you my Sister love both as you are loved
by Kate -

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