

Wash. Sept 14th 1852

My dear Kate,



SHR

I am in my quarters at Mrs. Lowes having Helen & Piers apartment. It is true Broadway is a little like an unremitting rail road, and I have been beset by an army of messengers, but I began to be accustomed to the first and I have made terrible slaughter among the second.

Abner's concert went off admirably. She sang deliciously and looked handsomer and handsomer every song, until I thought her own self beautiful.

I presume you got the basket of
Grapes which Mr Kumble left at
Deerman Station. I have promised
Mr Kumble that I would make them
a visit with some of my women kind
next week. to get ready to go up
with me on Monday next, and if you
think Mary will stand the faint
she had better accompany us.

Helen talked of making a vest
at the same time to Mrs Pascoe.
which would add to the gaiety
of the expedition. I shall return

home next Saturday afternoon; perhaps
by the two o'clock train.

Be ready to start on Monday
as I have to carve out my time
in porting for the next two or
three weeks, having numerous
engagements.

Yours affectionately
 Washington Irving

P.S. I send some Spanish seed by
Pierre; which you will give to Robert

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