

Sing Sing March 1st 1828

Dear Uncle,

I have received your kind letter, and I am very glad to hear that you say that I can have a Paint Box, and I believe that I have got perfectly well. Papa came down here on Thursday, and he said that they were all well at home but Grand Mama, and I wish that you would please to tell my Sister Joanna to write to me. I should like to know how my Uncle Madoc is. Miss Dawson and the Misses Delavans, and all the young ladies are very well. I send my love to Papa, Mama, Grand Mama, and all the children. I remain your affectionate Niece

Catharine Van Dyck

Saturday Morning March 1st

I was very happy to see Papa and Sister Joanna here yesterday. Miss Margaret wished them to stay in the evening, for we had a concert. It was Hannah's birthday, and we boiled molasses candy, and had a little party. Mrs. Foris, and Mrs. Carpenter and Mrs. Miller were here in the Evening, and Hannah introduced all the young Ladies to them, so I hope we shall learn among other things, to enter

a room full of company, and to make a graceful curtsey. We are obliged
to enter the room so, every Friday, and be introduced to Miss Mary,
just as if she was a stranger. I hope to receive a letter from you soon, my
dear Uncle, and it will much gratify your affectionate niece,
Catherine Van Wyck.

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