

you will be much disappointed that we
at not being Julia. She made breakfast for
me this morning at six o'clock and came to
the table all dressed & prepared to accompany
me down. But the violent rain prevented her
from going to the boat with me. George has
just sold his horses and then being too con-
venient to be for within a mile too late to see
for me. I would not let her walk that
distance over a muddy road. She was
delighted at the idea of you through your
friends succeeding her in the home she must
abandon. We climbed the noble hills across
on Saturday and took a farewell
look at the Luroscope - from these hills
one of the finest in the world. I was much
disappointed at not meeting Mr. & Mrs. J. at
the boat on Saturday. When I arrived
there I found that an answer was to have
been given to the Engineer. Applicants that
evening, but I started it off for a day or two
and it was again that Julia should come
down with me & take your place in the
afternoon to be with you.

This morning on board the Steamboat I heard
of a third party who the Captain told me is
willing to buy it, over the heads of all of
us. "It's only the Mother in Law that refuses
to sell" quoth the Skipper and the matter is com-
mon by the present of a new owner. If that
be the case your uncle John may still
become the purchaser. George in the mean-
time must decide before tomorrow as to
whether Mr. Gaylor or his brother engineer
is to have his temporary interest in it. He starts
for the Susquehanna by the end of the week.
I will with pleasure accompany the G's
up tomorrow if they are still disposed
to take a look at the premises. If not I
must write up by the L & C boat today.

Ever affectionately
C. F. Jr

I write this to you because I may not be
able to call late this evening. Will you ask
Mr. or Mrs. G. to drop a note to me at
the New Custom House before 1 o'clock if
possible