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Mr. Haven

Feb 18th 1830

1796
"Hail of Youth"
The winter had been getting
The snow and storm had forced into the
And laid the impress of his faggard hand
On the once green, bright and beautiful boughs.
Then enters too into dell and cave
And steps in their course the furious snow.

And now the mountain there comes
From the blue white to the crimson calls to
When in the morning's dawning eye
A bill young and before him fly.

But I must be gone and cease my lay
For the hot summer winds forbid my stay

Before

I bid you a last farewell
To the land where winter dwells
I bid you a last farewell
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C. Dickinson

Spring can not be home on summer winds
nor leave fields of corn behind her
since they belong to summer

been changed by flattery into one made up
of vanity and self-love. After this
enumeration of the many evils resulting from
flattery it would seem that a flatterer should
be feared and shunned for never was a flatterer
a true friend. He is the worst enemy a man has
all characters. The true one said the flatterer
of the true and the flatterer with the same feeling
of contempt which we felt towards the flatterer
only in a much stronger degree ^{should} a flatterer
be looked upon now. ~~A flatterer~~ ^{He} acts upon ex-
actly the same principle as did the flatterer.
A person of the above described character
always fails to see that at which he is
and in time loses his sense of truth his
whole character becomes degraded and when
it becomes known is even more despicable
than the person whom he deceives, because he
is at the double guilt of doing wrong and attempting
to injure another's character. 7. *Spent the afternoon*
at the office.

Sept. 17 1853.

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the
publication of the "History of the State of New York," and in reply to inform you that the
same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. It is now
only a question of time, and I trust that you may
be enabled to learn the result of their deliberations. I have a great
deal of pleasure in being able to do so, and I am
satisfied that the public will be benefited by the
publication of the work. I have been very anxious
to see it published, and I am glad to hear that it
is now in the hands of the printer. I am
satisfied that it will be well received, and I am
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drills attached to the fly-off.

George W. Chapman





we are not of society, that of the latter
makes us unworthy of any thing.
But the dissatisfaction of all these
shows we are dissatisfied, and the dis-
satisfaction of our character.

By looking only at the agreeable of any
circumstances, we can excite in our mind
a feeling of pleasure, and on the contrary
by looking only at the disagreeable, and we
can excite very painful feelings.

Life as we know it is made up of a combi-
nation of pleasures and pains, and certain-
ly the cultivation of a disposition to look
only on the bright side, is a great source
of happiness.

Such a disposition does not arise from
objects which are totally disregarded by
them, for instance, the beauties of nature
are to some the source of great happiness,
and enjoyment, while to those of a different
character, these objects are perfectly indifferent.

The latter, the highest ^{the} joy and happy dispo-
sition cannot pass by any object in nature
without being sensible of great pleasure, while
the indolently, the latter the happy dispo-
sition is deriving from these same objects
no feelings, but that of indifference or
a feeling of pain.

It is easy to see which of these dispositions
must render the person, the more happy
and we should be improper with himself
that of cultivating a happy disposition,
because we perceive that the possession of
such a disposition, will not only make
us more happy, but will render every
thing around us more pleasant to us
and happier.

J. C. Cassin's Clerk

J. K. Brown

Brown

Jan 23rd 1831

Lake Huron

Steam boat Jefferson

June 22^d 1855-

Dear Mayor

After coasting around
Lake Michigan we are now pas-
sing rapidly over Huron, & expect
to reach and leave Detroit this
evening. The boat must be at
Buffalo on Wednesday morning.
We remained at Chicago longer
than we expected, and were de-
tained at the Manitow Islands
two days, by head winds, -
all well. - Bayley objected
to Scott, - & cousin St Casey
a supernumerary took his place
as a member of the Court Martine

Bayley has employed two lawyers
as Counsel. They will do about
as much harm as good, in my
opinion. — Chicago has in-
creased astonishingly. It was
crowded with speculators when
we were there, and nothing was
talked of but "water lots" and
"land sales". — The property that
Hunter sold some time since for
\$20,000 has since he sold for
\$175,000. — I thought the people
were mad, downright mad.

What progress is made on
the road? Give my respects to all.
Remember me to your adjutant &
give much love to Mary & Martha, the

dear little creatures whom I should
love to see them. Ellen and
I had a long talk about them
and about you all, yesterday.
She wishes to see all, and
says - pointing over the water -
'They are out there.'

Yours sincerely,

A. Van Buren

Dear Husband,

You see how little progress we have yet made,
towards the haven where we would be. We shall have no
accidents before we shall reach that point by the last of
the month, from that place we shall write again, and again
after seeing Charlotte - the boat shakes so that I can hardly
write intelligibly, kiss our dear little girls affectionately
for me; what would I not give to see you both - hope
Justin and Philippine are well, and that they find
time, and inclination to study - tell Mary and Martha
that Mother will have many wonderful things to relate
when she returns - Major Green had a present of another
one on the evening of our arrival there. Mr. Brooke, the
Genl, and myself dined at his quarters, and were treated
with the greatest hospitality - Miss Phelan is a sweet girl
I hope Charlotte may prove as great a comfort to us as Mary
Green (who is at the Point) wrote her father while we were there

that Malcolm was to be corporal this month and that he drilled
him every morning - I feel that I have many things to say,
but there is such a confusion of tongues about me, that I must
defer all until our arrival in Heaven - May Heaven
in mercy preserve you all, and direct you in all your
doings - remembers me to all our friends -

Your affectionate
Wife Charlotte A. Clark -

talk

May 1st 1862
My dear Mary
Mr. J.

Green's Farm July 10th 1835

Friday

Here we are dearest Husband about 60 miles from New
Haven and her family, Malcolm, Charlotte, Ellen, and myself
together with other families, who have resorted to this healthy spot
to spend the warm months — Malcolm got a leave for fifteen
days, and, after taking him to see his sister, we all concluded to
come out here, and spend the time pleasantly together — he returns
to the point on Monday — Charlotte will leave for New Haven on
the 18th — Ellen and myself will remain with Mrs Woodbridge,
until the 18th of August, when I shall return to Washburn, and
remain there until Charlotte's school is over, which will be the
last of the above named month — We shall then all go to
New York, and make our final preparations for dear home, where
we hope to arrive in safety by the last of October — we think
a little of returning by Cincinnati, in your answer to this
say if you think it best — Mr Van Buren goes to Ohio
next week, intends to be in New York by the 8th of September
his health is improving — Now for our children — they are both
very much grown, and improved — Malcolm is very nearly
as tall as Mr Van Buren, and Charlotte is taller than her Mother.
Mrs Smith gave me a favorable account of Malcolm's general
conduct, and seems quite interested in him — Mrs Atthorp
speaks in the highest terms of Charlotte, I would say much that
would be gratifying to you, but I should say little full into
other hands, it might be looked upon as the effect of a
friendly friend Mother, must therefore defer all particulars
until we meet, and only now add that my expectations
with regard to both of them were more than realized —
Mrs Atthorp is to give us a list of school books, proper for
Mary, and Martha, and dear Sister is looking forward with
much pleasure to next winter, when she hopes to have the
privilege of instructing them — I hope they will be good, and
that we shall find you all well, and happy — kiss the
four little girls, and tell Philippina, (if she does well) that
Mrs Woodbridge is willing that she should stay with her, when she
comes to New York — but that she must study hard,
and fill up all her time usefully, that she may not be
behind other girls, when she goes to that great City — think now
that I shall take her with me, a little girl from the poor house

Mr Woodbridge can get over the fence and see the garden
if you wish to go with him
I shall be glad to see you
I shall be glad to see you
I shall be glad to see you



Clark D. S. Tappan
Fort & Munroe
N. Y.

by the
care of
the
post

Miss Clark.

has performed her exercises, during the last month, as follows:

	Perfectly,	Well,	Indifferently,	Badly,
GREEK.....				
GR. GRAM. AND EXERC.				
LATIN.....	8	16		
LAT. GRAM. AND EXERC.		4	10	5
FRENCH.....	11	1		
FR. GRAM. AND EXERC.	10	2		
MENTAL AND MORAL PHILOSOPHY	22			
NAT. PHILOSOPHY....				
HIGHER MATHEMATICS				
GEOMETRY.....				
ALGEBRA.....				
ARITHMETIC.....				
HISTORY.....	22			
GEOGRAPHY.....				
SPELLING.....				
WRITING.....				
ENGLISH GRAMMAR...				
COMPOSITION.....		3		
MUSIC.....	8	1		
DRAWING.....	8	1		
TOTAL.....	87	30	10	5

She has been marked for want of punctuality 0 times;—for want of neatness 0 times;—for incorrect deportment 0 times;—has been absent 0 times.

She ranks in Scholarship 26.th 9 ;—in Punctuality in the 1st Class;—in Deportment in the 1st Class.

1 is the highest number.

New Haven July, 1st 18-35

E. L. Phelps.

C. C. Clark
at the ...
year ...
Faint handwritten text, possibly a letter or note.

Chas. Clark

North ...

Keocaua May 31st

Dear Major

We arrived here today
about 12 o'clock, all safe & sound
in body & mind. No difficulties
by the way, save a little rain every
night. When we came near Lake
Winnibago we stopped about mid-
day to wait for a lead wind, but
as it would not come, we took ad-
vantage of a calm to coast a-
long every cove and bend to look
for shells. At the Grand Chute
I took Ellen in my arms to
go ashore, but the Indian pilot
misunderstanding us turned the
boat, bow, down stream so that
I did not have landed without
difficulty. Notwithstanding we
passed over without accident.

I am very sorry that I did not
fulfil my promise to you.

A small hole was made in
the boat, but was bailed out the
water with a tin cup.

Ellen said to me two or three
times while I was carrying her a long
way down, "I want to see my
Ma!" And this without our reminding
her of you at the time. I mention
this to let you know that she has
not forgotten you.

Give my love to the little ones

Yours
J. P. in love

My dear J. P. The mail arrived yes-
terday, and left again in five minutes
before we were warned of it. I am
glad to hear you are well, and again
write you, but regret much that
he did not arrive a day sooner.

I will write to him by night. I know
he will leave here in the evening
morning. There has been no train
yet here at night.
Mrs. Clark wishes to add a few
words to you. I am sure they
will be of great service to you.

Dear Husband

I can only add a few lines to the letter
I shall give you a long account of every thing when I see you.
Yesterday being Sunday I have seen some of the folks of
Kent. Yes, Mr. Merrill called last evening - I told him of your
news that you are all getting along so well, and that
you have determined to go into the old home - I told him
the girls for me, and told Mary that I shall be
going - I told her that I am well
and safe, hope the little ones will
be just called to breakfast.

Heaven preserve you all

Yours affectionately

Charles Merrill Clark

Sept 9th
I have both the opportunities to send this letter
always fifteen minutes too late.

I told Mrs Clark yesterday that I intended to
send you some scandal. But I have only one
word to say for I keep aloof from the quarrels
that are between the officers and officers.

The report we heard at Wainchago about Stokes
and is in my opinion, false. He told Col. Butler
that instead of advising Sgt McRobb to bring an
action against McConny, he tried to persuade him
to the contrary. He says however that he thinks his

Col. Butler

Sgt McRobb

McConny

Sergeant has been badly used. Col. Butler
has seen the charges preferred against McRobb
and says the specifications do not support the
charge.

I rode up to Dickinson's this morning to see
the road party. They have just commenced op-
erations. — Capt. Scott bought out his horse,
viz. Jack (as an out side) and took Mrs Clark
to the Mission. N. P. C.

St. Minnabess July 27th 1834

My Dear Child,

You have already learned that your father arrived at home on the 2^d of the present month. 'Twas a very happy day for us all, I had been very anxious, but after hearing his account of you both, felt relieved, and perfectly satisfied with every arrangement. — How kind you was indeed ever kind to you, and I hope you will find time to write both to her, and your Cousin — the next letters we get from you, will I hope describe your school, studies, how your time is divided, &c, &c, you must not omit mentioning any thing, because you think it of little importance, be particular, and remember that you are writing to those, to whom every line from you, will be interesting.

You must be very careful of your health, and should you be the least ill at any time, do not feel delicate abouts speaking of it to Mrs. Apthorp, she has daughters, and will know what to do for you — I am gratified by the manner which you were received by Mr. Bumble's friends, and happy that Margaret, and yourself, are already forming a friendship for each other; your father was much pleased with her — I trust ere this you have become acquainted with Lewis, and that you will by your correct deportment, win her esteem. I hope the young ladies who room with you, are estimable girls, should it be otherwise, be reserved, and prudent, and above all do not be induced to deviate, in any respect, from the rules of the school.

Should Mrs. Apthorp enquire about your correspondents, tell her truly how it is, and that you have the sanction of your parents. Should she ask no questions, you will of course say nothing about it — I am confident that you will behave with propriety, but if at any time, at a loss what to do, either Mrs. Apthorp, or Miss Bumble, will advise you — I do not feel that you are among strangers, and hope that those, who thus early love, may not upon a longer acquaintance, have reason to regard you less — when you see Mrs. Brewster, present my affectionate remembrance to her, and the family, I remember their kindness to us, when in affliction, with gratitude. — We are already looking forward to our journey next year. fill up usefully every moment of your time, my dear child, and let me have this happiness when I come to heaven, of hearing from your Instructress, that your conduct, while under her charge, has been praise worthy.

You will no doubt spend a very pleasant vacation at the Gibbs
doubt cannot but reap advantage from the society, and conversation
of those, whom you will there meet. You can expect but little
news from this remote region - all your friends are well, and well
satisfied with your arrangements. Your little sisters are well, and
give much love to you. Ellen is a great pet with her Godfather,
and walks about with him a great deal - Martha has grown tall,
and much thinner, than when you last saw her, we have cropped her
hair, which makes her look very differently - you must tell
her how much you have grown, when you next write. Your Pa
thinks you are as tall as I am - always in writing Malcolm men-
tion when you last heard from home, and he must do the same,
as we shall not write to both at one time - Your father will
add a few words, and I have promised to leave a corner for
another friend. I am sometimes afraid my dear child, that these
long, and frequent letters, will occupy too much of your thoughts;
do not let it be the case, in answering your friends, write only
as much as you can find time to write, without encroaching
upon those hours, ~~which~~ appropriated to study, sleep, or neces-
sary exercise - and although one of us may think it hard
now, we shall all be glad of its bye, and bye. - The things
which your paper purchased in New York have not yet arrived.
You know how long it takes for a boat to get here from the Bay.
When they come I shall write you, how I am pleased with them -
I have written to ask your Aunt Mary Ann, to let me bring one of
your Cousin's home with us next year. - And now my very
dear child, I must say good bye to you for this time, say to
Mrs Atthorn, that your mother desires to be remembered to her.
My Heaven bless, and preserve you.

Your Affectionate Mother,
Charlotte A. Clark

Dear Charlotte

After running over your
mother's letter, I think of very little
to say - I am anxious to hear how
your progress in your studies, and

have you improved upon the piano,
Margaret loves practicing upon yours
occasionally, but always, as yet, when
I am out, consequently I have not had
her music - Had you not better spend
an hour or two, a day in practice, dur-
ing the Sept^r vacation? ~~Write to Mrs~~
to Mrs A. Harp, Mr & Mrs Gibbs and Margaret
for haste your aff^r father

July 27th 1834.

A. Clark

July 28th The remainder of this sheet your mother
kindly allowed me to say to you, and to your
thoughts, and often of your spending your
with my sister, and cannot help expressing
my delight in account of it. I am not
that it is to be so. Mrs Gibbs is very anxious
spend that time with her, and I am expected
be there. Margaret wrote to me about it, and is delighted
with the idea. In speaking of it she says
how much pleasure I anticipate from it.
I shall read and hear together, and
my is, rather rejoicing, and then that, and
letters you will get. I might expect more, but it
is not necessary now, you will know all of these
days if our lines are spared - Charlotte
distant from which God grant you may be preserved - you will
be sure to accept of Mrs Gibbs' invitation to her house
for Mrs Gibbs has too many cares to pay to the
the attention she may require, and although the other ladies -
Mrs B and the Misses Crabs invited you to her house -

of sickness, may be very true, yet they would not feel they
 a distant anxiety, and could not watch your pillow with a
 sister's love. To be honest I trust you have been fully
 convinced that I am disappointed with the manner in which
 you write to me. That is, the Postscripts in letters to your parents
 and in May 1843 to me, and you are willing to believe
 that I intend to write to you but am waiting for your letter
 that has always been my intention for you know it was

Miss Charlotte O. Clarke
 (Sister of Mrs. Ashcroft)
 New Haven
 Conn.

unexpected that you are not able to write at the end of June. - We
 must not tell my mother about this but think of such things
 now. Three months have already passed by the summer
 time will be long ago. In the mean time that the all
 mighty thing of science goes for all time is the old story
 of your expectations.

Said I would in my last that I had received from
 you, Oct 1 and 2.