



Horatio P. Van Cleve and
family papers.

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Sept 2nd 1834 H. Winnebago

Your letters and dear Charlotte of July 23^d and 30th were all
rec'd by the Post Mail, also one from Malcolm of 26th same
month — We are delighted that you are both so well situated,
and that you seem contented and happy — Your conclusions
with respects to Miss Pige, are undoubtedly true, that she
was influenced by her dear friends in her conduct towards
you; no doubt she is sorry, although 'twas of little consequen-
ce — You ask did I remember that the 22nd was Malcolm's birth-
day? Yes my child, parents do not forget to note the return of
such days — I well do I remember my feelings. Seventeen years
since, when his first cry struck my ear, and I pray God, that
no action of his, may hereafter give me cause to regret, that
I was then made a happy mother — I feel gratified that
Mrs Brewster pays you so much attention; present my regards
to her, and say that I hope to have the pleasure of seeing her,
and my other friends in New England next summer — As to your
attending Church, if you feel more partial to the Episcopal
manner of worship, I should like to have you attend that Church,
as it is a matter of indifference with me, but better that
you go with Mrs Atthorne — for myself Education and habit
have made the Episcopal form more agreeable to me, how-
ever I have no prejudices, and think it of little consequence
what forms we use when in the immediate presence of
Him, who regards only the hearts of those who worship
before his throne — See this announcement is one tells us if you
attended, and if you were pleased — It's very kind, in Mrs Mary-
Ann, to offer to have your winter clothing made — I shall write to her
and thank her for it — I am very much pleased with your account
of the school, and feel it much to be a friend of that school,
but in writing home, remember that the most interesting things, will
be interesting to us, as well as those of more consequence — I am
very glad to learn that Mrs Gibbs is better, you are now I suppose
spending a happy vacation at her house, and hope to hear that you
conduct yourself in such a manner, as to gain the love of all in
that worthy family — Mrs Parson too is with you, and you are
reaping the advantage of her friendship, and I am glad — I would
for the world have you lose the opportunities now before you,
for qualifying yourself for future usefulness — you do well my

children to notice every thing, which will enable you to improve your
little sisters on your return - and that you think of it, shows that
you feel as you ought, with respect to the advantages you now
enjoy - Mr Van Cleve is teaching Mary French, he has for some
time past devoted two or three hours, each day to her, but did
not wish her to mention it to you, until he saw if she would
persevere - she is now coming on pretty well, and you will find
the habit of application, she is acquiring, a great assistance
and relief to you, in teaching her - Mrs Kuyper planted your flower
seeds this summer, and your father says she shall lay out the
garden next season - I am glad that you are careful of
your cloths, and neat in your person - you promised to be a
good girl, on the morning that you left home, and I feel
satisfied that you will be so - I should like to be to enjoy
that fine fruit; but if nothing happens I shall taste some of its
next summer. - You will be grieved to learn my dear
Charlotte, that poor Dr. Mc Donnell, who lost his little boy, he
was sick about a week, and his sufferings were so great
that it was a relief to his parents, when he ceased to breathe,
they look very badly, and I am sorry to hear that some of them who
his affliction, that Gen. Brooks too, has lost his youngest child,
Muson, to whom he was so much attached, while at your
house - Eliza is just four months old, but is quite well,
and in the mother's arms, and more favorable,
I hope she will not suffer in getting up other with - I have cut
Mary's hair short in her neck, and she glads Mother, which
makes them look very differently, Martha is much thinner than
when you left - I took a walk last evening with Mr Van Cleve
and Mary, was talked of you, and of how hard you were to study
the winter after the last, and of how much you were
were included in the number, of the winter, do you think they
would be pleased to return with you? Mrs Cutler and her son are
well, Mrs Howe will not return until October - the Eliza boys
are quite agreeable girls, nothing remarkable as to education -
the elder points upon letters, I should be glad if you understood
it, little skill I believe is necessary, and it enables one to
make many agreeable things, which you would like, and little
expensive - your hints better upon paper than Eliza Margaret
shall give you - I am able to devote some time in that way, while

at school? the Elder Eliza plays a little, the Younger does not -
they are both said to speak French well - Miss Margaret has a dignified
manner, and no affectation, Elizabeth has much affectation and is of
course not as pleasing - Mrs Kuyper is quite in love with Miss
Margaret - Mr Chapman was here early in July, I think him
handsome, but he has not that frank straight forward manner, which
makes a certain friend of ours so estimable to me - Pa will
fill up the letter, that must wait till then; good
bye and many thanks for news my dear child

Your affectionate Mother
Charlotte & Clark

My Dear Daughter Your mother, no doubt,
in the long letter above, has told you
every thing - she tells, however, she forgot to
mention the reported death of Gen. Claiborne
and Lt. W. Claiborne - probably true - the
latter having been so recently with you
and his legs more lame

You write that you shall go
to New York for your winter
clothing - I will endeavour to have some
sent by your Aunt's hands, for the
purpose of your seeing probably
deficient in that very important article
- but it seems to me, you might be better
fitted at New Haven as you are at
the spot, and the risk of sending
packages, is more than equalled by the
difference in price - You no doubt pay

great attention to Music. I wish also you
 should paint, and as your mother says
 learn on velvet - perfect yourself as
 much as possible in French - Tell me
 in all your letters, how you ^{enjoy} ~~forget~~
 upon the Piano - Remember me kindly

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Miss Charlotte B. Clark
 (Care of Mrs. Appleby)
 New Haven
 Conn.

Miss. surely her love
 will be to speak your
 name, she is very much
 and thinks you are very

To Mrs Appleby M & Mrs Gibbs Mary-
 -ard, and all our old friends

Your affectionate father
 B. Clark

St. Wainburg Feb 23rd 1835

Your letter my beloved child of Jan^y 21st I am now about to answer by a private conveyance, Mr Merrit, (our father) whom you have never seen, and Mr Reed, whom you recollect, will leave this for New York, in a day or two, and expect to arrive there early in April, one of them will be the bearer of this, you will introduce them to our relations, and will no doubt be glad yourself to see them, coming as they do directly from dear home — Maj Rogers, and several gentlemen from the Bay, are here at present — Mustering, and paying the troops, is you know, ever a time of hurry, and bustle, this is the case at present, your father is flying about in all directions, but intends if possible, to write a line to Mr Woodbridge, before the gentlemen leave — when I receive your answer to this, we shall be about starting for the East — do not set your heart upon our bringing little Ellen, as that is yet rather uncertain, although I possibly may — we wish much to learn if Mr Reed has recovered, make my regards to Mrs R. — Should she enquire for me — am glad you mention the change which has taken place in your appearance, although I think you finer, and your mother, cannot fail to recognize you — we are all pretty well, and those of us who hope to see you, are counting the days, and even the hours, which must intervene ere that happy moment arrives; Heaven

grant that nothing may damp the joy of our meeting —
do not my child let this reflection depress your spirits,
only do not look for perfect happiness in this unsatisfying
world, and you will then be able to enjoy the blessings
which our Heavenly Father may see fit to bestow upon
you, if you humbly look to him, as the giver of every
good, and perfect gift — then you write your dear brother,
tell him of this letter, and that we are all well; I intend
to write him in a few days, but may not find time before
the gentlemen leave — tell him that we have heard of
his examination from his letters to his friends here, also from
your last, and are made quite happy by the account —
there will be another letter for you in the next mail,
directed to the care of Mr Woodbridge, which I hope
you will find time to answer while in New York,
should your correspondent you with regard to this
correspondent, tell her of course the health — Your dear
little sisters are very anxious to see you, also Philippine
Matthae looks more like you, than either Mary, or Ellen
She says I must give her love to you, and say, she has
got almost through her Geography — she is very fond
of her lessons, and comprehends very well — Mary is
learning also quite fast, but we can talk over all these
and many other things when I see you, that you will
like much to know — Your father is so anxious to see you,
and his "dear, dear, boy" as he always calls Medelyn

that I really believe if he could get a furlough as easily
as I am, he would disappoint me after all, but there
is little danger of it as it is, furloughs are not so readily
granted — remember us kindly to Uncle, Aunt, and your
cousins, I wish very much to become acquainted with
my aunts — and little Nephew, I suppose even Mindwell
hardly remembers me — write me if Mr Woodbridge
intends moving this Spring, if so, where — shall leave my
letter open as I may find time to say something more
before the gentlemen leave, Good night my child,
Mary Heaven preserve you —

March 1st again I have a few moments to talk with my
dear Charlotte, and as the gentlemen leave very early in the
morning, must now improve the present time, Mr Merril
will not leave for some days, but Mr Pres will find
you this — you will be glad to learn that we are making
an effort to get a clergyman here; and that four five, to
six hundred dollars are to be appropriated for his support.
Mr Dan Olver and myself are to be ^{be} commissioned where to apply,
and I hope we may be able to procure a suitable person
for this station — ask Mindwell if in that event, she will not
return and spend a year with you? seriously I hope you
Aunt will consent to part with one of your cousins, I shall
try my powers of persuasion at any rate — our little Ellen
likes to talk astonishingly fast when you return, (should she live)
I think she will speak perfectly plain — Philippine is anxious to
know if you have read that letter which contains her postscript,
if so you must not fail to answer it —

it seems while writing that I am very soon to see you,
and indeed, tis only a few short weeks, continue to be studious,
and improve these moments, which will never return to you -
I feel assured that you will do so, and in this belief must say
good bye for the present - Your affectionate
Mother C. A. Clark

Dear Daughter -

You may perhaps
remember Mr. Rugg - his father at
the Bay, and has been here with
the Pay Master to pay the Troops

Your mother may have told
you this, however but I have
not had time to read her letter -

You will probably see him about the
1st of July - Mr. T. expects a furlough
to go with him but has not yet
arrived - he has not been in good
health this winter -

God bless you
A. C.

St. Albans Dec. 15th 34

My very dear child

We recd your letter of Oct-28th by the last mail - Dr. Fiske also heard from Miss Silliman that you were well on the 9th of November - Mrs. Apthorp's report reached us a few days since, and we are happy to find that your studying is so good - Marks against you, for want of neatness, three, some little inattention I presume, which will not be neglected again; strive ever my dear Charlotte, to be attentive to all these small things, they are necessary to a ladylike appearance, and, combined, with more important acquisitions, serve to render their possessors more beloved, and respected - I feel very thankful that your health is so good, be very careful not to expose yourself to take cold, at your time of life such precautions are very necessary - I often in imagination picture to myself the happy group, which are to surround our fire side, next winter, and strive to feel reconciled to your dear brother's absence, in the hope that his life will be spared, that his course will be such, as to give comfort, and happiness to all who love him, and that he may be returned in safety, after his long & separation from us - Should a kind Providence permit us to realize all this, shall we not be most happy? Before I write again, we shall have entered upon a New Year, and I pray God that it may prove a happy one to us all, and as full of mercies as the past - Let us know how you spend your Christmas - write your dear brother, and give him good advice, may he pass through his January examination with credit, I shall think much of him at that time - let me know if you have seen Mr. Rieve yet - The weather is remarkably mild, I have been once in a sleigh, but we have had very little snow; however I ride on horse back quite often, and walk every day; am going to ride "Old Rip" this fine morning, and his master is to accompany me, on Dr. McDougall's horse - Am pleased that you are becoming so fond of music; and hope that it may hereafter prove a source of amusement to yourself, and friends - You spoke in one of your letters of attending to drawing, perhaps it would be well for you, for three months, if you can do so, without interfering with more important things - it will be a pleasing occupation after your return - you must lay in a store of employment to prevent your feeling the absence of the young friends you must leave behind - Our little Hebrew is learning English very fast, she says, or tries to say almost every thing, and speaks some words quite plainly, will talk enough by the time you see her, I'll promise you - Have just returned from a very pleasant ride of five miles, and feel quite in spirits. Mr. Pembroke is very good to do so much for the sake of giving me

pleasure - I believe I have before told you, that I consider his domestic qualities, among his best recommendations - 'Tis a pleasure to me to learn that your new friends begin to call you by your right name; it seems more affectionate - You find that they do not like their western, and southern neighbors, give their whole heart upon slight acquaintance, but when once they become attached, you may safely confide in them - We have a German here at present who will stay a few weeks, I heard him yesterday morning with much pleasure - Your father, Mr Van Cleve, and Mary, heard him again in the evening and were greatly pleased - I am thinking of little else to tell you - Mrs Mc Dougall thinks of visiting her friends early in the spring, she Ed, also has applied for a furlough, and I think it quite likely, they may go down with us - Your dear little sisters are well, Mary is still improving, and Martha is coming on in Geography, under the tuition of a certain friend of ours, who wishes me to say to you, that he has been in excellent spirits for the last ten days - Mrs Lacy is as usual unwell, I fear she will never be better, most likely last winter's fever will be active over again, before I leave home - She desires to be remembered - the other ladies speak of you with interest, particularly Mrs. Mc Dougall - You are to remember the 14th of January, when it comes round - I shall now leave the remainder of this sheet to be filled by the rest of the family - and bid you, good bye for the present, my dear child

Your affectionate Mother

Charlotte A Clark

Dear Charlotte as your mother was visiting I thought it wrong to miss so good an opportunity I was at Church yesterday and heard the best sermon I have heard since I came here - I believe that Mr Barber is going to stay sometimes, and here he will be a benefit to the soldiers - they like to hear him preach very much - I am glad to learn that you are getting on so well and looking forward to the time when I hope to sit you, and hear some good advice as I have but a time can write no more now this is my first letter so you must not laugh at it - your yours

Philippine

Dear Charlotte Yesterday Evening I went to Church at the company quarters, I was preached by a German named Mr Barber and was as I thought a very good sermon - but I suppose you will not judge from what I can say, and there was a sermon at the Dr's quarters in the morning many of the soldiers have become religious by means of Dr Mc Dougall who has established prayer meetings, and Gage is teaching some of them to sing - so that at Church we had some singing - Martha is growing, she learns Geography from Mr Van Cleve, and she says she wants to make her mark - Ellen has a doll that she calls Lotty Mr Lacy gave it to her and she is very fond of it - I will try and be a better girl, and I hope that God will help me please excuse this writing for I am not at school and it is the evening good bye

Mary Snelling Clark

16th Tuesday the mail this evening my dear child brought me your letter of Nov. 12 - and one from Malcolm of the 11th same month - I can only say that they made us very happy, and that I shall answer them both on the new year, if not prevented - Should not send this but write an entirely different letter now, were it not for poor Philippine's upon the other page, it cost her so much trouble to write it, that she would not have time to copy it before the mail closes - and feel that you explained all about the report, we fully understand it now, and feel very well satisfied - your conversation with Mrs A. G. H. gratified us much - there will be another letter on the road to you next week - Your brother wrote to Mr Van Cleve, but it seemed the same thing as if he had written to us, for the letter was read in our parlors - keep up your spirits my dear child - I feel hardly willing to let the mails go without answering your sweet letter - but cannot have time to say all I wish, shall therefore defer all, until I write that long letter at the commencement of the new year - fare well then my dear child for the present - and may Heaven preserve, and bless you - Your Mother, C. A. Clark

Dec: 17th - Dear Daughter - Yours of the 12th I think was read last evening very much delighted us - indeed it is the sweetest letter we have had from you and I must say, an excellent one - It shows evident signs of improvement both in penmanship and composition and the sentiments appear to flow from an affectionate and excellent heart - I mean as far as I read - for you must know I do not peruse your private -ular postscripts - the first words always stop me - permit me my dear Charlotte to request you not to make use of such superlatives - "dearest" is rather too warm an expression - sometimes you wind up by saying "your own" - this too goes rather too far - We were pleased with Mr A's October report and much more so, since you have added to pleasure by explanation.

I am glad your musical taste is
forming - We never do it my dear
child but you would be studious
I am now afraid you will be too
much so for your health - give

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Single

Miss Charlotte & Clark
Daughters of Mrs A. Phelps
New Haven - Conn

my warmest respects to Mrs A. P. H.
and her kind words to you have
made a lasting impression upon
me. God bless you my dear
child is the prayer of your affec-
tionate father
A. C.

St. Marysburg July 12th 1885

Dear daughter

I yesterday rec'd yours of the 17th ultimo, and the day before, Mr. Apthorp's report for May last. - I find by the latter, that you are gaining fast in scholarship - Your perfect playing in music, too, please me much - Your fondness for the piano I fancy, will preclude the necessity of driving you, hereafter, to that instrument - I anticipate much satisfaction with you the following winter in sweet sounds, and seeing your fingers run over the shakes - provide yourself well with good pieces, and we will feast during some of our long dreary evenings - procure also a good collection of church music, adapted to your instrument - Your two sisters are in fine health, and we did not forget that yesterday was little Ellen's birth day - I presume you and her mother kissed the dear creature for me -

I find very little time to devote to Mary & Martha - Mary nearly French with Mr. Ruggles, taking writing lessons of my office clerk, teaches Martha in geography & orthography, and occasionally recites arithmetic, grammar &c to me. I endeavor to keep her employed, for her disposition requires it - Dr. Beaumont left along here, on their way to St. Louis, a few days ago - they had a niece with them, some 17 or 18 years old - she stayed upon your piano - in the same place where it stood (you have not moved it) some of your airs - just about as well as you formerly play'd them, while I accompanied her upon the violin - Who do you think I thought of? - I know not where to address your mother - presuming you will soon see her when this reaches you, or that she will then be with

you I will be a land here and you
must see that she gets it - I hope you
help you, and may you soon gladden the
embrace of an affectionate father.

Dear dear dear wife - If I can ever
more get hold of you, never expect to
leave me again - You must try to
move towards home in September - at all
events be ready to embark upon the lake as soon
as possible after the equinoctial gales - speaking
of gales I am informed you had a tremendous one
upon Lake Michigan - Thank Heaven I did not
hear of it until I heard of your safe arrival at de-
troit - I told you in my last to be sure &
get a woman servant - it would be well to do
so, but do not give yourself too much trouble &
have no faith in Phillis being to be sure, but we
will get along some how or other - Lizzie is
no doubt a wandering vagabond - and better without
her - Should you get a woman servant, have
it thoroughly understood that she stays a certain time
with us - a supernumerary nurse, whose matrimo-
nial prospects rather dimming might be improved -
look at Susan Graham - I would

that when they are too old to marry they are
too old to work so after all consider that I have
said nothing about and use your own better discretion
I told in my last what to do with the notes -
think of nothing different - have been with Lizzie
gently taking their receipts - I hope Van Cleve
will see Guynard should be a to Ohio - He has
sent me some & card - (I suppose to him) but I have
read not a word from him - The road is down
to Hastings, and the troops have all come in
to go the other way, but as I devote the follow-
ing week to Indian payment, shall keep them in

till after that exciting event - quite a bus-
-tling time at present - all seem to want some of the
\$23.50 so soon to be distributed - shanting an action
a blackberry upon the postage and no doubt
a goodly quantity of whiskey could be found there
- can't help it - private ground, and they are the
sovereign people - This is Sunday and the maid day
not go out till Saturday next shall wait to give you
an account of the payment - Here is my precious Ellen?
Did you squeeze her for me yesterday her last day?

July 18th I am hardly ready to pay the claims
and shall not do it till late in the day, if until tomorrow -
all going on well however - The disobedient ones
get nothing and are humble - promise to leave
the cold country & be good children - say to Dr
Van Cleve I have rid his commission on a blank
oak - will obtain it for him, and if he goes to
Washington he can swear there

I am if possible when the boats
leave Buffalo for the Bay this fall - by sending
to printing & finding a reading room, you may
get Buffalo and Detroit papers & consequently the required
information - I think about the 1st of Oct will be
a good time to be at Buffalo for immediate
if you can get to Detroit any time you want

(Months ago) have not come and consequently
mine are behind - I have been very busy
letters upon Lake Huron - married nurse - suppose
you travelled so fast after you left Detroit you
had no time to write - I am becoming thin - sup-
pose to see a man when you return resembling
Dr Felt in stature - by the by, the Dr lives with me & helps
me pass the time in our little dining room much
more pleasantly - tis no joke - I shall know hereafter
how to appreciate you, even if you are in the room
ing indulges a little in "soft reminiscences" - Martha
has become a great favorite with me - Mary grows

Composition

New Haven

Conn.

July 20th 1831

In ancient land, but no more,
"Where is the life which once we led?"
Our floating specks away have gone,
The multitude of isles that used to join,
Which once were marked, like all on earth,
With compass & shades of sea and night,
Upon the summer's sunlit slope, and from
Secret & lonely, of this quiet coast,
The light shrouds in the morning,
With varying shade pass over the bay,
As if a ^{streamlet} from the north,
Now runs its silent current to the
Mouth, only like a slow-moving
Now with mingling shadows on the glade, -
As if a breeze of an autumn day,
Now quickly melt, now die away,
But to relieve the listener's ear,
His thought no more, its voice to hear,
Yet now the weeks, and months and days,
Seem like a dream's remember'd lays,
The glade is silent down the sea,
Of fathomless eternity.
And happy those, since all must drain
The mingling cups of joy and pain -
Happy & sad here, lulled by the moon,
To whom they both the mingling give,
Whose gentle sorrows are relieved,
By the gentle too, by them received.

Put the original in the
2. the 1st of the line.

When joys too, though they're sweet are brief
Chastened by sorrow and by grief - 10
Charlotte Cairns
Aug 20th 1885

Catherine of Schwarzburg.

When this distinguished female was enroute
of Thuringia she heard that the Duke of
Alba a Spanish general intended to pass
through her province with all his forces.

She, fearing that many depredations would
be committed petitioned Charles 5th Emperor
of Germany that nothing of the kind should
happen. Her petition was immediately granted.

and her fears were in a measure allayed.
Shortly after she was informed that the
Duke was coming in company with

Henry of Brunswick and his son and she
received a message from them the purpose
of which was that they intended to avail
themselves of the pleasure of breakfasting

with her. She could do otherwise than consent
and perhaps as much from politeness as politeness.

Accordingly a banquet was prepared
for the guests who soon arrived to partake

of the repast. The conversation was not
polite and they passed the time very

pleasantly for a short time. At length the
company was called from the hall by a servant

who informed her that a courier had arrived
bringing some news. She immediately arose and

left the room and the courier informed
her that that the soldiers were plundering the

peasants of their flocks. Catherine was at first

Thuringia

St. Albans

August 8th 1834

Confession

she felt rather surprised that the word
of the emperor should have been thus be-
lieved, but returning her usual presence of
mind she commanded all her subjects to
arm themselves and surround her palace.
When returning to the hall she seated her-
self at the table and related in a very
pathetic manner the tale she had just heard.
When she had finished her story her guests
commenced laughing saying that such
little misfortunes could not be helped
when an army was passing through a
country. On hearing this she became
indignant and rising left the room in
much displeasure saying "The losses of my sub-
jects shall be made up to them or the blood
of princes shall atone for the blood of cattle."
Several armed soldiers immediately entered
and took the places of the servants at a
respectful distance behind the princes.
The guests at first grew pale and began
to much agitated but when the Duke
turned the whole into ridicule, that the
Duke of Alba now became really alarmed
for his safety seemed willing to appease
the angry lady by any means which he
could use. When she reentered the hall
Heute said to her that he had persua-
ded the Duke to oblige the soldiers to re-
move all they had taken. When the countess

became assured of this she dismissed her guests
for she should rather now say her prisoners
who very politely took leave of her and in a short
time every thing resumed its former place.
No one ever again ventured to molest
the people of Charingham while Katherine was
their empress.

Charlotte Quisconio Clark
A. Haven
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Congratulations

Feb 14 33

Dear Friend

Dear Friend,

All winter now I wait to hear of you,
Familiar sounds I may not hear,
The name of brother meets my ear.

With solemn sadness,
I brood then I bid you come
And your long-silence break.

Shall I say in words of grief,

The heart of a brother is full
Of love and longing for you.

With love to all the family last

Your name, full of love
Returns with me to my heart.

What a joy to see you at the heart
And to forget the sorrow.

And you say he has left us here?

Home ye will, youthful guests,

On pathless woods, or else the sea,

On mountains, desert of battle?

On by deep rivers? — Come home!

Without you life is sad, for soam,

And soam, where can you be.

In Spring when birds are full of song,

And summer when the sun is bright,

And autumn when the leaves are red,

And winter when the snow is white,

And when the wind is strong and cold,

And when the rain is falling fast,

And when the sun is shining bright,

And when the moon is shining bright,

And when the stars are shining bright,

And when the world is full of life,

Competition

Mr. Hume

Jan. 26. 1835

A Hymn
Not faster does the wave flow
Than his soft voice, his melting prayer
It falls, as on bright ripples
That from his lips are ever flowing
The thought of his sweet words
That were given, now left to us, to show
The beauty of his words
Then there are ye, ye precious words
And soon, ye get our hearts to show
A high place for thee in royal courts
A high place in battle's noisy rout
God bless and guard for hunting sport
Where beautiful, and brave resort
Away from us, leave Knight be thy mate,
Thy friend be faithful, thy sword true
Loving, and loyal, thy lady too,
And love in love, and friend be true
The men of spirit, and love

"But if, beneath the south'ern sky,
A platted stranger chance may roam,
With sleeping eyes and softer sigh,
With thin pale cheek and burning eye,
Long gone for his lost "Bright and home"
From his dear friends, his friends at home,
That kindly, gentle, strong, & true,
Remember these, these are eyes,
A stranger in our lonely vale.

"But if on life's uncertain sea
Nois't'ant blast shall rend thy sail,
Thy faithful, wise and brave thou be,
Thou shalt should unrewarded be,
Shouldst thou be tossed, by fortune's gale,
Waste not a sigh on fortune-chang'd
On parting courts, or friends estranged,
But come where kindly still shall smile
Upon you, in our lowly vale - 9
Boston, October 1848.

Compare History & Biography as to the
best, or what is the best? I answer in the
example which each holds up to our eye, which
to be followed, or as a warning, to enable us to avoid
the errors ^{there represented} filled. What, then, is this point of
similitude, that do not exactly correspond for
History; holds up many examples, some of which
are totally different in their nature, while Biography
confines our mind to merely one example, and
kind of example of the same kind. History
therefore presents a number of characters, and
in Biography we only see one. But in the
limitation, we are enabled to see more clearly
the excellences, or deficiencies of the character,
and this remarks brings me to the second
question, viz. which has the most influence
on the character? After examining carefully

to the end of the question I should answer, Biography
itself, and has, accordingly, as we have seen, to be
that History demands more ^{distracts our attention by} ~~the number of objects~~ ^{the number of objects} ~~to be attended to~~ ^{to be attended to}
while Biography claims our undivided attention.
History is liable to scatter our ideas, perhaps to much
to derive from it that benefit, which
we otherwise should. The former certainly makes
I more fully acquainted with character than
the latter, and thus to answer the third question
most clearly exhibits the nature of the two, there
stated. And the reader of the former appears to me
to be more fully acquainted with the life
of one person only, almost none at all
of the others. The latter, on the other hand, History
in most cases, merely states facts, and leaves us
to discover the motives of every action, which it
may mention. This then seems to arise from the
fact, stated above, that History claims only a

partial, and Biography entire attention.
In review of the subject, it seems to me, that the
reference should be given to Biography, for
although History may give us more general
knowledge, Biography seems to teach the most
useful most directly, and this would seem to claim
for Biography the preeminence over History.

C. Quisenberry Clark

St. Winnebago January 26th 1835

Dear Sister

I am now going to begin this sheet, but you must not expect a very long letter, for mother is going to fill up what I leave, as soon as the mail comes in. Martha was very glad, when she found that both of us had a letter, and came to tell me of it. We kissed Ellen till she said - dont-, and then we had to stop. Ellen calls Martha Mappys, and me, Mamy, her doll-, she calls Lolly, but cannot call Malcolm or Charlotte. We are trying to teach her. I shall be very glad when you come home, and will be a good sister, and study hard. I study now, I think, pretty hard, but there is room for improvement, and I will try and fill up the room. I am, learning to knit and am knitting a pair of stockings, like those you knit, when you was at home for Ellen. Mother helps me some. I have learned to sew, and to mow. I am writing this in school, by candle light, after Van Blee has gone out, but I expect him in soon. He asked the paper for me, my teacher is a cross man, nevertheless I love him very much. I have been a slight riding, with him three times this winter. Give my love to all the girls that wrote to me, and ask them to excuse me for not writing to them; I will the next opportunity I have - I have been home and got mothers permission to write to my friends in the East. Mr Van Blee is writing; the supper bell has just rung, and he is going to his supper. Good bye. Your affectionate sister

Mary C. Colver

My Dear young Friends

I was writing to my sister, and I thought I would not let this letter go, without writing to you, though you seem to have forgotten me. Martha sends her love to you. We should like to see you all, here, for we

have no little girls of our age to play with; in fact none at all. How would you like to live in a fort, where there were no little girls? Marion would you like to see your little brother? there is where I have the advantage of you, for I have two little sisters at home. Give my love to your sister Lucy; write me soon all of you. Good bye. your affectionate friend.

Mary S. Clark

January 27th Margaret's letter to her brother of the 26th, and your postscript my dear child was rec'd this evening & found us all in good health - Miss W.'s expulsion, which you describe, was truly painful, and upon hearing the account read, I could not help offering my silent, but grateful thanks, that you should not be likely to disturb your parents with such an occurrence - I will know, my dear daughter, that if you had no earthly inducement, a moral sense of duty would instigate you to respect the rules & regulations, of so good an institution as you are fortunate enough to be placed in - Your own ideas of propriety therefore and Mrs. A. Karp's reports, make me easy upon this subject - Mr. Vanhook, to whom I am under many obligations, is bringing Mary & Martha forward very well - When he goes off with your

mother I shall take them in hand till you come on to relieve me - they will find me as anxious, but probably not quite as patient, as their present instructor. Mary has improved much in health and appearance - she has occasionally labored under a depression of spirits, caused by the serious course of reading she inclines to adopt, but ~~she~~ has now become more reconciled to the world (if I may so express it) and is quite lively - Martha has taken hold of ~~study~~ quite in earnest and recites a good geography.

Upon every morning in our persons to her teacher - Ellen rules the family - she seems to know how far her influence extends, and is not backward in exercising it - but with all her faults, she is a sweet child - Indeed my best wishes to Mrs. A. Karp - remember me to Mr. & Mrs. Gibbs and Margaret - These kind regards to you my child will be the most acceptable by far. I am, I trust, your friend - do not be impatient of my letters - I am writing to you as much as I can in my visits to my dear friends - I shall be with you again before I shall be long. All your affectionate friend, M. S. Clark. P.S. I am writing to you as much as I can in my visits to my dear friends - I shall be with you again before I shall be long.

27th I have seated myself my Dear child after Ellen and the other little girls are in bed, to fill up the space which your paper and notes have left me - your letter of 10 Dec, and the one which came to day of 26th made us as usual quite happy - the poor girl you speak of I feel very sorry for, most likely had her mother loved she would not have thus disgraced herself and friends, I hope however this may prove a -



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- upon which will be a lasting benefit to her - your father has expressed all I could say upon the subject and I feel truly gratified in, believing that my child thinks and acts correctly as far as in her power, and that she will continue to do so - we need Malcolms report for Nov. but no letter I suppose he was too much engaged to write - we shall soon know how he passed his examinations, of which we are very anxious to hear - the next time my writing day comes round, I shall claim the first part of the sheet - until then good bye, and may Heaven protect you your Mother
Charlotte G. Clark

St. Willemsburg Jan^y 10th 35

My dear Charlotte

Your letter of Nov. 26th came by the last mail, also one from dear Malcolm written in seeming good spirits. I have commenced this evening to answer you, while Philippine is washing the children, and getting out their cloths for tomorrow, (this is Saturday evening,) your father is knapping upon the fiddle, as he was Officer of the day yesterday - washed with Mr. Van-Cleve this afternoon; the wind blows but 'tis still quite mild for the season, and we have no snow yet - Mary has the cold which is prevailing here, but is well enough to go to school, the rest of the family are in good health - hope when we next hear from you, to learn that you have both perfectly recovered from the Influenza - M. was just getting it when he wrote - you must tell us if you enjoyed your first Christmas thanks-giving as much as you expected. - I am glad to have you occasionally say something of the fashions, it serves to amuse us, we have so little going on here, that even small things, are of some consequence. The time for our journey eastward will soon arrive, write us if you still think of spending your Spring vacation with Aunt Maryann? I hear nothing from her of late - does she or your Cousins write you? when your father left New-York, Mr Woodbridge sent a number of books as a donation to the Post - they have been kept in the Hospital and read by the sick, and have produced very happy effects - since then we have had a clergyman here, and from 16 to 18 of the soldiers have become seriously improved, I think your Uncle, and family, would be glad to learn this, and that the first impressions were produced, (under the blessing of Providence) from the perusal of these books - I intended to mention this to Maryann but have been waiting until I should ^{hear} from her, should you be writing, I wish you to name it to them, as I think it will give them pleasure - Mary has been, and still continues very thoughtful, but the feelings of children are so fluctuating that I know not what to think of her, I wish much for the time to arrive when she can have you with her, she has now you know no society except little Martha, and spends most of her time, when not engaged at her lessons, in reading serious Books - her spirits at times are much depressed -

Good night my child, shall write more on Monday

12th Shall now my dears attempt to finish this letter, 'tis raining this morning, and I think we shall now have the fun of thaw - Mr V. has just been in to hear Martha say her lessons, and she says I must tell you that she thinks he has a very good opinion of you, for he told her, he would like very much to see you - I asked little Ellen if I should go and bring Sister Charlotte home? she said yes, (this is her way of saying yes) I do not of course suppose that she remembers you, but she hears your name so often, that she thinks it is some one she would like, I imagine - All the gentlemen dined with us upon the 8th and you were both mentioned, I often think how pleasant it would be to have you here, upon such occasions, I miss you both much ~~then~~ as well as at all other times -

You know next winter, you are to learn housekeeping - Philippine says that although you know the most about books, she can teach you how to make a pudding; you will have learned among Yankees that a female can be learned, but that her education will not be considered completed, unless she has some knowledge of domestic arrangements - Your father has a very sure thumb upon his right hand, but hopes it will be well enough to write a few lines to you before the mails close - Am much pleased with your improvement upon the Piano, you know after allowing you to commence, I should have lost all my credit, had you not succeeded - A friend of ours is to write on the 14th and when you receive the letter, the girls will I suppose break out again, as it will not be a short one - I pray God that all our happy anticipations may be realized, so far as they are consistent with His holy will - Thus far we have been abundantly blessed, since our separation, and I trust that the Almighty will continue to direct and uphold us, so long as we put our trust in Him - After the arrival of the mail I shall close my letter -

13th Well my dear child the mail has brought us nothing this week, and I must close my letter - last night we had a light fall of snow but by eleven this morning it was gone, however I rode in a sleigh to Swan Lake with Mr Vanbliven - we talked of the rides you used to take last winter, and those you are to have next - we took a cup of chocolate on our return home, the children said their lessons this evening we have all been sitting round that table, in the parlour,

first your father reads a story, and then Mr V. reads one - I worked upon the children's dresses, that I am making, to for them while I am gone - I find that I must now be so busy, to get so many little folks a sufficient number of dresses, and other things, necessary to make them comfortable, during my long absence - Mr V. wishes you to say in your next, if his sisters are alive, and in health, as he does not receive letters from them any more, he is at a loss to know what has become of them - but I must now say good bye to you, or your father will have no room to write little Sister gives much love to all friends desire a remembrance -

Your affectionate Mother,
Charlotte Ann Clark

Jan 14 - The mail brought us nothing from you or Malabar last coming - I feel very desirous to hear from your brother about his examinations - Your mother is beginning to prepare for her journey which has become the chief topic of conversation - You will be glad to learn that her health and spirits are excellent, this winter - You mention your nurse teacher as an acquaintance of mine - I fancy 'tis not so, - I never met Maj Davenport in Philadelphia but once, & then but for a moment in 1819 - There are several of my name & rank in the army, it must have been one of them - You have impressed me with a high opinion of Mrs. C. and I have little doubt you will become quite expert in nursing under her tuition

Remember me kindly to Mrs A. P. Thorp.
and may God preserve & prosper you
Your father
A. P.

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Mrs. Charlotte D. Clark
(Care of Mrs. A. P. Thorp.)
New Haven
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I shall begin my letter this evening my dear child, because I have a few moments to spare, and, being Christmas day I like to talk with you — This morning as usual, almost all the gentlemen called upon me, and brought this season last year forcibly to my mind — Your father and myself dined alone, (as the children were at Dr Mc Dougall's?) and while we were at table, Mr Van Cleve called to know if I would like to walk — we found the roads quite dry, so much so, that the dust was rather unpleasant — I mention this, thinking it will surprise you, and that as yet we have had no snow worth naming, although this evening it looks very much like it —

27th Had written thus far when I was called off, and have again set down to write a little this afternoon — Your letter my dear Charlotte, of Nov. 12th which came just as I was closing my last to you, made me happy, still, its contents have given me some uneasy feelings, fearing that your mind is troubled, upon religious subjects, and that you are reluctant to speak to your friends — now I think Mrs Gibbs would be a proper person to advise you, or Mrs Crompton; but you know better than I can, if it would do to ask their counsel, upon such a subject — When you are in New York, you can talk with Aunt Woodbridge, perhaps her views may not exactly coincide with mine, still they may satisfy your mind; in the mean time you can find sufficient leisure to study the scriptures, and such works, as will explain all that we can know, and all that it is necessary for us to know of the mysteries of creation, and providence — do not suffer yourself to be alarmed, about these things, but rest assured, that your Heavenly Father will listen to, and answer all the petitions, which proceed from an humble, and contrite heart — and particularly has ~~the~~ ^{he} not said "those who seek me early shall find me" rely upon these promises my dear child, and may God preserve, and direct you — be cheerful, and happy, and

look forward with the hope of seeing me, and another friend
by the first of July, which will soon arrive — write us if
you think of spending all the Spring vacation in New-York —
The Dr. heard from Mr. Peil the other day, he wrote that he
had been very sick, but was then better — should you again
receive an invitation from his Mother, you will of course
accept it, if in your power — and I trust that you will
regard the polite nothings, you may there hear as truly
nothing; and not suffer yourself to be affected by them —
Mrs P. means most likely all kindness, but I consider all
flattery as dangerous to young persons. very flattery are proof
against it; and I would wish to meet my child, the same
unaffected girl that left me, not trusting to outward
appearances, but striving to gain the approbation of the
wise, and good, by the enduring graces, which flow from
a cultivated mind, and pure heart — I am very happy
that you think so much of, and write often to your dear
brother — wish that he had ~~as good~~ an opportunity for
religious instruction as you have, he needs all the sup-
-erabundance from temptation, you must always give him good
advice — I often fear he will feel badly, when you return
home — but if he does well, he will be engaged in his
studies, and the following summer, your father intends
making him a visit, and when he has completed
his course, (if Providence permit) we will have him
with us again — tell him that he is never out of our
thoughts; and that every night his little sisters kneel
down by their bed, before going to rest, and pray God
to protect their absent brother, and sister, and when
it is best for us all, to return them in health, and
safety, to their home — I am very glad Charlotte that
you had that explanation with Mrs. Apthorp, ~~and~~ feel
grateful for her kindness to you, and doubt not she
will continue to regard you with affection, for I

am well assured that you will not knowingly, deviate
from her rules, while a member of the School — I am
perfectly satisfied with the Oct. report, and look forward
to the next, in the full belief that it will afford us equal
pleasure — Let me know how your standing compares
with Margaret's, as she has been much longer a member
of the school, I shall not be disappointed, should you
fall below her — what your father wrote about some
expressions you must use of to a friend of ours, was
only because he thought you might not exactly know
what your true feelings were, with regard to him, so you
must not make yourself unhappy, or think it means
any thing else — we shall soon be able to talk over
all these, and other things, in the mean time

rest satisfied, that all is as it should be —

We miss your Prs. very much this winter, how we
shall enjoy, and how will your father delight in
your improvement — You will be glad to learn that
we have still a dearyman with us, his preaching
has been attended with such happy effects among
the men that it is likely he will remain most of the
winter — All your friends join in wishing you a happy
New Year — Mary gives much love but is too much engaged
in her studies to write this time — Little Mather is becoming
quite studious — Our friend says that he would ~~much~~
like to have you for a principle, and he would very
much like to act as assistant teacher — Little Ellen
is a sweet child — Philippine still continues to do well
and sends love to you — Justin has not as good a dis-
-position as his sister and cares nothing about study —
I shall leave my letters open, in the hope that Tuesday
mail will bring something from you or Malcolm —
Good night my child, pleasant dreams to you —

31st The mail is about closing and I must seal my letter before breakfast, we were disappointed in getting letters from you or Malcolm, and must look forward to next week again for Mr. is I suppose, so much engaged just at this season, how anxious we shall be to get the first letter, after his examination - when you write say to him that we are all well your father is immersed in Muster Rolls or he would write - gives much love to you both -

Singler

Miss Charlotte G. Clark

(Care of Mrs. A. Chapman)

New Haven
Conn



My Dear daughter - I have not time to write - but going to be married - Ad

Your friend is well, and I manage to keep up his spirits by occasionally scolding a little - we have no sleighing as yet, although this morning is rather cold, and looks like snow - Charlotte have you read Keith on the Prophecies? we have an abridgement here, which I am reading, and find very interesting; I think you might per-haps on sundays read in it profitably - Mr. Van-Cleve had a letter from Mrs. Collinsworth last evening he was very well - in Nashville - and he wished you would remember your promise, with respect to that Yankee girl - I suppose you will have Church tomorrow you must write us how you spend the day - and may Heaven protect and bless you & your Mother

Humboldt Oct. 6th 1894

Gibbs is quite well again - be very careful of that very handsome
pendant, that ring, which you were to wear always, being a diamond,
will be in danger of being defaced; had you not better proper
locking it away, for a year or two? - I leave you to act as your own
feelings dictate, with regards to these things, only be sure that you
know how you feel, and I am satisfied. - Mr. St. treats your little
sister with great kindness, seems to take pleasure in being here, and we
regard him almost as one of the family. - Mary would write this
time, but the fore finger on her right hand, got badly smashed
in the back door, last week, and it is not quite well yet -
they all desire love to sister Charlotte, and to their little unknown
friends; Eliza is growing fat, and is improving, both in
looks, and manners - I am very glad that W. called upon you,
do you think she will consent to Eliza's returning with us next
fall? I suppose she had not rec'd my letters, when you saw her -
Write us how you employed the time during vacation; and how
your leisure moments are spent while at school - last term
you had most of the after-noon, and evening, to yourself, how was
it employed? if you now have as much leisure, how do you occupy
it? I would not have you fatigue either your mind, or body;
and well know that young people require much recreation -
and also confident that Mrs. Apthorp sees that all is as it
should be, still I wish you to write about it, that we may
have the pleasure of knowing how you are engaged, at all
times - your father will write a few words, but is very much
engaged with Mr. Lacy's business, in addition to his company -
Mr. Colmanworth left this morning on foot, he was delighted
to tell Miss Margaret she need not be surprised, should
she see him in the course of the winter - Mr. Reid left
about ten days since; a certain lady in New York will
probably now think that "bright eyes have brought me home to the
east" - he is not in good health, but should do not be
nervous for him to go immediately south, on reaching
New York, he promised me, to call and see you, and Malcom
tells Margaret that he is the prettiest little man we have
you know I am ever partial to him - be careful to
keep your little sister's friends, let us know if you
have decided on any thing - I am comfortable with
God - I am looking forward with the greatest pleasure to your
returning next autumn, and am already engaged in making
some of the necessary arrangements, previous to leaving home
have just completed the quilting of two quilts - who do you
think smothered them? somebody who copies music very neatly,
I cannot mention names - Philippine is turning over the leaves
of her Bible - Mary, looks a little better, having been
suffering, which you remember she thinks very much of it -
Miss Green remembers to purchase any new paper for other
while in New York, since came, and your father does not know
if any was put upon the - are having two chimneys altered
to prevent smoke, also having the rooms painted, where all

is completed, you shall hear how we look - In writing to you
yesterday, I believe, instead of saying October 5th. I said my
letter left, he will get it, for Mr. Colmanworth took it, probably,
a week before you receive this, and I wish when you write,
you would tell him of the mistake - can write no more at present,
should any thing occur before the mail closes, you shall hear it -
Keep up your spirits, my dear room-mate, and may heaven preserve
and bless you - your affectionate mother
Charlotte Ann Clark

My dear girl - I have but a moment left
as the mail closes immediately. - Your mother
has told you every thing - I wish make
a very just remark in some of your
letters, about music - 'tis quite immaterial
what piece you learn, the thing is, to have
the fingers & hand well, that none hereafter
may come amiss - 'tis not the piece, but
the style & manner of playing, that has
made the performer - I should
like to have you play ~~the~~ ^{the}
attention to French, and is becoming
a very language - ~~the~~ ^{the}
spent a week with us, this way
to Mineral Point - spoke of you frequently
Malcom says he received excellent
letters from you - I am glad that
you manifest such an interest in
his welfare - He is an only son
and an only brother, and upon his
fortune is a great measure hang
the hopes of my declining - your
mature years - Give our
friendly advice fully to him, I am
sure it will not be thrown
away - My best respects to Mr.
Apthorp, let me know in your next
whether her bills are promptly paid in

Remember me affectionately to Mr & Mrs Gibbs - present them my sincere thanks for their kindness to you - My best wishes to Margaret and do introduce my warmest friendship to that excellent girl Louisa - I am glad

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Ms Charles D. Clark

Dean of St. John's Episcopal Church
New Haven Conn



you have been before you for a while - God bless you

A. Clark

W. H. Channing Nov. 3^d 1834

My Dear Charlotte,

When I recd. your letter of Sept. 6th I felt fully satisfied with the apology then given, and was only wondering that you can write so well, in the little time allowed for that exercise. — How shall that give you to Mr. Canham's wedding, feel flattered that you recd. an invitation; and am now looking for an account of the occasion, by this week's mail. — I am very happy that your Grandmother has consented to go to New York — perhaps you saw the white stork — do tell me if young Howland was in College, and if he is married, was a member of your school? I never heard of any thing so ridiculous, and do not wonder that his parents are grieved. — I remember his father, and think, his mother, was a daughter of Noah Webster — do tell me if he is recd. at home, or how he is living? Dr. Hook, arrived last evening, has just called in, and told us all about you — he says that his friends in Nashua were quite surprised to find that you did not wear a blanket; made, as quite laugh at his description of the curiosity, a girl from the "wild woods," excited, (a little exaggerated of course.) Mr. and Mrs. May, will be here in a few hours, the Dr. left them in the swamp about five miles off, where they passed the night, and a party have gone out to assist them over shall not close my letter until after their arrival. — Do not fail whenever you visit Mr. Gibbs to give our kind regards to all the family; I feel very grateful to them, for their attentions to you; also remember us to Mr. and Mrs. Brewster your father, and Mary, will add something to this sheet — Martha talks often of you, little Ellen is becoming very interesting to us, she begins to talk, and plays a thousand pranks that would amuse you — I have been writing Malcolm, and telling him how comfortably we are fixed for the winter; we have that wonderful door, which you remember was wanting, between my bedroom, and the parlor, and a little lime, and paint, have made us look very snug — the mantlepieces too, are some inches lower; We have a very good Cook, and I often think how you would be pleased, that I have so much less to attend to, in consequence 'tis but a short time before you will be here again, and then we shall all be so happy, if our lives are spared — whenever you are detained to go home sick, think of poor Malcolm, and you

will be no longer to think also of the privileges you enjoy, and you will lose all regrets, in grateful feelings to Heaven, who has given you this season for improvement. Philippine is a very good girl. She wishes to be remembered to you, and also that I would enquire if you have had Emory's cushion; she is learning a little, and intends to try and write you a few words the next time. Sister does pretty well, they both grow very fast. I must now bid you good morning.

4th Mr and Mrs Lucy arrived to dinner yesterday; Mrs L's health is I think about the same, they saw your brother on the 25th of Sept. you must have been in New York when they left the city; would have been very glad to have seen you, both send much love. We are much pleased with their account of Malcolm, say that he is grown, and (Mrs L adds very handsome) in about 3 months, I hope to see you both my dear children. Charlotte writes your brother and endeavours to pick up his spirits tell him that I am preparing for my journey and would not lose the happiness I anticipate of seeing him for a great deal; Mary will finish this page - good bye my dear children be careful of your health, and may Heaven preserve and bless you.
Your affectionate Mother

Charlotte A. Clark

Dear Charlotte I have set down to write to you for the first time this long while, my finger is now quite well; Martha sends her love to you; I will not let Ellen forget you, and as soon as she can talk I shall teach her to call Charlotte. Mr Van Cleve hears me Geography, and French, I have translated your fables through, and have commenced Talmage's, the other day as Martha and I were talking of you, she said sweet girl, do you remember the curl she used to wear on the side of her face, I go to Mr Vanderveer's quarters, and say my lessons there, where he has a little desk for me, covered with green baize. I have hemmed some curtains for him, and I like to do it. Mrs M. & G. thinks of going to visit her friends, her new house is just finished, now I must bid you good bye, but shall first tell you something which you will be glad to hear. "One who loves you, and whom you love, sends much love, and says you are my dear little"

next week, "yours affectionately Mary L. Clark

Dear daughter -

Since your mother & Mary have been writing, yours of Oct 8th arrived - We have nothing to answer it, as the mail closes directly, but shall write you more at length hereafter. Go to the music school by all means, and I am delighted that you manifest a desire to go.

Get the use of a Piano at home, if possible, and attend the school again, as you wish, or can be permitted by it. - Savin's house No 173 Park St New York is the quarterly payments. We have also rec'd a letter from Mrs Wadbridge by this mail, and one from Mrs R. - both mention the circumstance of your not going there to tea as was expected. Mrs R has been very

very feelingly loved
and of course says many things
in this journal - she writes
very feelingly loved
and he left
I am sick now
in fine
rather

to Margaret - Remember us affectionately
to Mrs Brewster - Mr Clark and
Flora - Your affectionate father

A. Clark

Caroline D. Clark
Care of Mrs Apthorp
New Haven Conn

Don't forget you, for
Mr Van Blevie hears me Geography, and
through, and have commenced "Telimachus", the
were talking of you, she said sweet girl, do you
wear on the side of her face. I go to Mr Van
one there, where he has a little desk for me, covered with green baize.
some curtains for him, and, I like to do it. Mrs M. D. thinks of going to visit her
friends, her new house is just finished, now I must bid you good bye, but shall
first tell you something which you will be glad to hear: "One who loves you,
and whom you love, sends much love, and says you are a good girl."

And now, my dear Charlotte, did I say too much or not enough?
I must have your approbation in everything I do. But you always
tell the Bogue story or take a minor sleep & would I not your approbation
too. I feel the most fed in the garden - occasionally will find a little
to smell to. Old to rain river lakes, & I think I can walk & see
and also when I see the trees to which we used to walk, but they do
not bring you to my mind. For you are always there.

I have been thinking of you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

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Don't forget to write to your mother
July. The summer is not forgetting mother will be

[illegible]

But it may prove a blessing to you. I wish I could enjoy the same
degree with you. Speaking of churches reminds me of some others.
I have had some you do not see. They were so degraded and un-
worthy, that they appeared worthy of being recorded, that you might see them no
more again. But to return from this digression: When you write about churches
and preaching, it would be to see that you think of the people. In many
churches in our cities, singing is left to the choir, and in some the chorists
are hired from among the collection singers. Many of our best pastors of no
very reputable churches, when they are asked to preach, appoint to me that Christians are to
be as good as dead, and they are obliged to give their services to God
in stead. In churches where the singing is left to the choir entirely, the
worship is not worth the trouble and the people are passing by and
not taking any notice of the service. When we get a church where the
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