

White Plains O.C. Lock P.M. Thursday March 18<sup>th</sup> 1845

Dearest Muggy,

I scarcely know how to apologize for not writing you last week but the want of time is the only alternative. I have to offer you of the 24 was received on Thursday of last week it was highly appreciated I can assure you Pop was in the room when Aunt Eliza brought it in and immediately asked what you wrote to him the sentence was read and he was perfectly delighted to think you had not forgotten him I am sorry to inform you that Henry did not get through the process of business he had to perform time enough to get off the limits by the (3<sup>rd</sup> of March) therefore it is postponed until the middle of (April) don't you feel better Muggy,

I staid at home last Sunday afternoon with the full determination of writing you but had scarcely got seated when Ben came in with the joyful news that Amittas old man was going to the barn with his horse, and then my hand was in a perfect tremor, after his lordship should make his debut in the room all writing implements were laid aside and every exertion was made to entertain his

how it being the first time he had visited North St since  
Uncle Tommys party, I presume are you receive this long  
expected letter you will have the pleasure of seeing his kind  
insinuations. Tommy and Emory spent last Tuesday evening  
with me also the young ladies from the cottage we passed the  
evening very pleasantly away playing, Chauger, West and Whistle  
Jack myself and Amelton were present Emory and to Tom and Kate  
and then we took cake and water as the last resort you do not  
know how much you miss being out of our little party, although  
we even think them over the best so I suppose that is the way with  
yourself. Just ask Aunt Sarah for me how many he can ardently  
sincerely and truly love for me although I do not flatter  
myself that his love is anything more than friendship if  
so it is returned and if not as a friend it is not received  
and that is the case with Tommy Thompson though you  
know he is the favorite one with me I suppose it is  
because he is the confidential friend of Charles Augustus Lewis  
I say he. May you will confer a great favor by committing  
to paper the conversation that passed between yourself and I chiefly  
concerning myself and send it to Whiteplains by the next express  
your friend Sarah left Whiteplains very abruptly last Thursday  
and I have heard a great many remarks made about her leaving  
home the majority of our villagers think she will soon  
seek her own home again if she does not find any better

than the last time she attempted to live at Nye, Abiah intends  
visiting me 3 or 4 days this week if it does not storm but it looks  
very unsettled at present we intend going to a lecture this  
evening and tomorrow also at the Court-house in Whiteplains  
they are experimental lectures on Chemistry we are to inhale the  
pleasing sensation of Gas and humbug Maggy, O'Brien gussy are  
will be Kate and Tom are both disabled she has a swelled face  
something similar to mine I have recommended a Catnip  
poultice instead of the mine one Tommy had a Rosalind  
stroke about a week since and it has drawn his face one  
side other way is very well thank you I will give  
you a description of the experiments next week with Mr  
Lee which I will send on Tuesday by Horton when you  
may expect them gloves I am very sorry to inform you they  
are rather small if it will be not trespassing to much  
on your generosity I will return them to Mr. Good  
have you called on his lady yet? I have not received  
that pious letter as yet but we are hopes of receiving soon  
I was heartily sorry that Mr. Asha left that basket but  
let a miracle it will have Henry Richards Muel & sundries  
in I can taste them know it really makes my mouth  
water Give my kind regards to your Father and Brothers  
and accept a good share of love for yourself that is if you  
do not doubt my friendship and if so excise me of your looks

Mother and Father send their love to you and wish to know  
how your Uncle Haysbrook's health is just send word by Uncle  
Elisha next week I suppose Emory has called upon you this week  
and will give you a description of the springs but he will have

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Miss Margaret M. Gandy

Box of Springs and Candles

New York



plenty of time to disclose all things to you as his business is  
not very urgent himself and Postmaster have got tired of staying  
at home and thought they would go to New York by  
way of variety I can write no more at present please  
excuse the postscript to morrow is my birth day just 18  
your affectionate Cousin Belle