



Albany April 21 1842

Dear Margaret

After Elapsed of a few weeks ^{have} attempted to address you with a few lines; it would afford me more pleasure to drop in your house and tell you all the news than it would to write a dozen letters for you very well know I dislike to touch pen and paper I have put off writing thinking you would be out that I have waited on till I began to think you all had moved out of the City and I thought of coming down to make a visit and I thought I should like to know where to find you we have expected Ann Eliza and Sarah Jane to come out and see us but we began to think they did not care about visiting Seneca it is not because I did not write that I did not want to hear from you far from it it affords me much pleasure to hear from my friends; I began to think as much of your Seneca friends as we thought or you would have visited us before this time; I have the pleasure of writing to you the marriage of Mary Beaton she was married last evening to Captain Powell from New York it is the one you noticed in the play and you called him Captain I expect you have not forgotten the party we was to there Abby and William and my self was there and Emeline and Mr Hainwright and wife and Mr Sudder and Mr Nichols and many more of your friends I have told you some of the quality that was there I should have bin delighted to have

had your company with us the birds looked beautiful she had on a white
satin and a veil on her head we had a very nice time they are going
to live in Brooklyn in a three story brick; I expect they will live quite
in style it will be very nice place for you and I to call when I come
down I have thought of coming down the last of May to stay some
time with you all if my company would be agreeable I should be
very happy to have you and Sarah and Eliza come out and make us a
visit before that time Newark looks beautiful the trees are in full
bloom I expect to go to Springfield next week after next to stay ten weeks
perhaps it will be gone before I get to the City Margaret there has bin a
great revival in all the churches this winter there has bin every interesting
time there has bin meeting six weeks since I was there I have spent a very
happy winter we have had such good meetings in Methodist Church there
has bin 170 added to the Church in ten months and a thought that number
is William Wm Theodore Ann Eliza Margaret you would be surprised to see
what a change in them all that they will hold out to the end
how much more it seems like living when we can all be around the
family altar and pray together they have bin brought to see the Lords
ways are ways of pleasantness and his paths are peace Mother is
very unwell she has had a very bad cough about five months it seems
to get worse instead of better she has bin a doctoring all winter I do feel
in hope when the weather gets warmer she will feel better I think perhaps her cough
will be better she sends her love to you and Eliza and Sarah and your Father
tell Stephen we have bin looking for him and Mary Ann out for this five
weeks tell him we want to see them all very much tell him Mother feels very
anxious to see him I wish you to tell Josephine we are all well but Mother we should
be very happy to see him and his wife and his youngest daughter out to us we long
love to Sarah and Eliza tell them we should be delighted to have them come out

and make us a visit tell Eliza to come out and stay a week at the least but
I should be better pleased if she would stay 6 weeks give my love to the
and Sarah keep a good share for your self all of you come out and
see us I want to see you all I am home this afternoon and I feel
inclined to be melancholy I wish you lived in Newark I think
we could spend many happy one together Margaret don't go as
I have done but write next week I do feel anxious to hear from you
I suppose you think because I have not wrote you may think I don't
want to hear from you for give me this time I will do better
for the future write as soon as you get letters turn it up as
soon as you read it for after you read it once that will be
sufficient it to write very bad give my love to all the
inquirers friends good by don't forget to write Sister Jane and
family is all well she has moved in New St Jeanine your affectional
friend E M B M S S

P.S.

Margaret I will make my mark for fear you will
think I have forgot to write, Margaret I want to see
you very much, yesterday some one rang the bell I said
to myself that's Margaret, but I opened the door it was
not Miss Sands but Miss Spencer from your City, she is
still here, my best wishes to your cousins & Father & Brothers
and all friends, believe as ever your friend and well wisher
Abby H. Utter,



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