

Cataract House, Room No. 7.
Niagara Falls, August 6th 1849.

My Dear Sister,

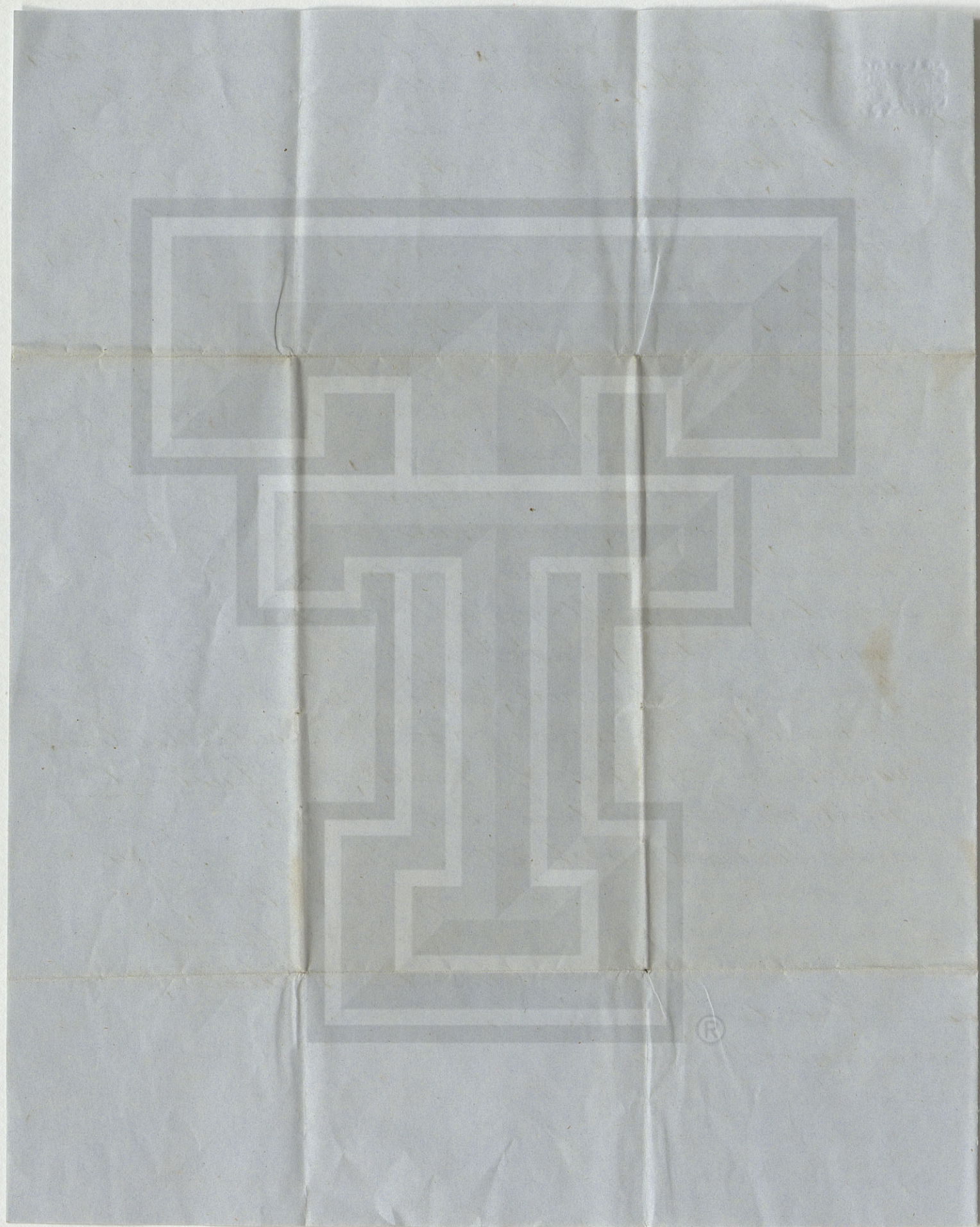
Mr Keator and myself were very much disappointed at not seeing you before our leaving. We gave no invitations to any one, to call, but a great many of our friends came up to the house and I certainly thought you would have been among the first. I watched for you with anxious eye, and it certainly grieved me very much that you did not come. We left at 6 o'clock in the Steamer Eagle Newton for Albany and after a very pleasant passage up the river arrived there at 5 o'clock next morning. We took a room at the Delevan house, remained there 2 days and then left for Auburn, where we arrived Saturday noon, took a room at the American Hotel. The following day being Sunday we went to the Episcopal church, and heard a very good sermon. On our arrival at Auburn Mr Keator made a great many inquiries for Charles residence, but we could not learn where he lived. I was very much disappointed, as I had anticipated a great deal of pleasure in visiting Babel, I depended on seeing you, and

getting the exact directions, We went through
the Union on Monday, and were very much pleased.
Auburn is a beautiful place, and I was better pleased
with it, than any place that I have visited. We
left on Monday morning at 9 o'clock in the express
train for Buffalo, and at Rochester, and arrived
in Buffalo at 7 P.M. took a room at the Phelps
House, which has only been open 6 weeks, and
for convenience, comfort and magnificent furniture
surpasses any thing I ever saw. We took several
walks about the city, and on the whole was not
very favourably impressed with the place. On
Wednesday & last we left in the 9 o'clock train
of cars for the Falls, where we arrived at 11 A.M.
We are now at the Cataract House and have a
fine, large and airy room. On the day of our
arrival here I had the sick headache, for the
first time, do you not think I was fortunate
in not having had it before. I am perfectly
delighted with the Falls, they far exceed
anything that I could have imagined. On
Thursday we took a small steamer, which
passes up the Niagara river and along the
point of the falls, we had on board a fine
view of them both on the American and Canada
side. While passing the falls both gentlemen
and ladies were obliged to put on India rubber
over dresses and caps, as we were completely
drenched with the spray, which came upon us

like a heavy shower. I have visited the falls
by moonlight, and at all times of the day.
And every time discover new beauties. I have
not been on table rock, this is a rock
passing directly under the sheet of water.
Some advise us not to attempt it, while others
think it would be a pity to return home
without passing under it. We think of going
there tomorrow. I have enjoyed myself very
much thus far, and am very happy, this I know
will be pleasing news to you. We expect to
leave on Wednesday afternoon for Oswego by
way of Lewiston, from there we leave for
Haltomville which place we expect to reach on
Saturday, and will probably remain there a
number of days, and I hope that I will hear
from you while there. I put your letter to
Haltomville Montgomery Co. N. Y. This letter leaves
us both in the best of health. My husband
joins me in sending best respects to you
and Richard, and all enquiring friends.

Your affectionate
sister & friend
Amanda M. Keator

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