

Ms. Amalia Whitlock
Care of Dr. Wm. Johnson
Jamaica
L. I.

Troy 2 August 1832

My Dear Sister

I send you a few lines just to
tell that I arrived safe & well, and likewise found
all well at our house in Troy. —
I saw David Eigenbrodt this morning, was quite well,
said he did not think of visiting Jamaica any more.
Troy is very healthy, very few cases of the Cholera
have appeared recently. — There is not much
business doing, this more than I expected. —

I did not send brother Wm's letter, as there were no
passengers to stand at Hyde Park, so I destroyed
it this morning. — Very few passengers up. —
Write soon and tell me how you all are. —
Give love to all, & remember me to all inquiring friends
& believe me ever your aff. brother
J. J. Whitlock

Troy 22 August 1832

My Dear Sister

Your letter of 4th was received. I was very glad to hear that Sister Caroline's cough was so much better & that you were all well, with the exception of little William, who I was sorry to hear had the Hooping-Cough very severely. It is very fortunate he did not have it a month ago for then I think it would have gone hard with him, but now he must have strength enough to bear it, at least much better than he could think. By the by I have not had any thing of this cough so far, & as this month (the time in which I was to have it according to brother W^m's prophesy) is nearly past, I rather guess I shall escape it & the loss of the new hat & consequently win the new Coat, which will come quite in season, as I am much in want of such an article; my old brown frock coat is about worn out.

You mentioned that Sister Caroline wished very much to change the air, I think that she & little W^m will derive quite as much benefit by riding out every day at Jamaica

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as they would by going to any other place, where they could not expect the same attention & accommodation they receive at home; & besides I do not know where she could go, for most of the places in Connecticut where she talked of going, are full of New Yorkers, & likewise have more or less of the Cholera; there have been some cases, too, in Castleton, so she had better content herself where she is. — As you were all so afraid of my passing through N. Y.^k, (on my way to Troy), & so particular that I should ride from the ferry to the Steam boat in a close carriage, (which I did,) I did not mention in my last letter that I got into N. Y.^k 15 minutes too late for the morning boat, & consequently was obliged to wait till evening for next boat, but so it was, so fate would have it, & I charge this failure to Henry, who detained me at least 20 minutes after I was ready to start, so that, with this turn I sh^d. just have paid my passage, & beside, my watch was slower than the N. Y.^k time. — How did Henry get home with the horse & gig? We arrived at the Brooklyn ferry just as the boat was starting off, & I did not have time to get a bill changed to give Henry some to return with; tho' probably he did not need any (as I paid the tolls for both ways), still I was afraid that perhaps he might have wanted some & hope he got home safe. — I went to Doct. Baileys the day I was in N. Y.^k & spent the whole time there, found all well — Josephine preparing to start the next day, for Long Island, I have forgotten the name of the town. Saw her intended, who came in two

times in course of the day to see her; I thought he appeared to be a very clever fellow. — The city looked gloomy enough, many stores were closed & the streets deserted, & what was very remarkable, in walking down Broadway on my way to the boat did not meet a single lady! — I can assure you I was right glad to escape on board the 5 o'cl^k boat for Albany. I saw by the paper a few days since that the Macon Bank had suspended payments, & given notice that it would not be resumed; I hope this is not the bank brother Isaac is President of; do you know? has he said anything about it in his letters? I shall expect very soon to have the pleasure of seeing him, as you say he will be on the last of this month. I have heard of you three times from David & brother, since your last letter; what is the reason he hears from Jamaica so much oftener than I do? Canst tell? David & myself took a ride on horseback last week, & were unfortunate enough to be caught in a very heavy shower just before we reached home, which was not so very pleasant. We intend to try it again pretty soon — I have missed my every day ride very much since my return to Troy, & often wished I had Dick here to give me a little exercise. — How does Henry please brother Wm? & does he drive with one hand yet? You said in your letter that Aunt B. had determined to go to Connecticut, has she actually got started, or is she going? Give love to all family & remember me to all inquiring friends. — From your ever affectionate brother W. A. Whitlock

Mrs Charlotte M. Whitlock
Care of Rev. Wm. L. Johnson
Jamaica
L.I.

Troy 5 September 1832

My Dear Sister

Your letter of 28th inst was received last Thursday & I also heard of you yesterday, fr Mr. Eigenbrodt, who had just rec^d a letter from Jamaica, saying that you were all well. I have only time to send a few lines, as we are quite busy just now, opening our goods. I suppose that before this time brother Isaac is with you, I hope as soon as he can get away from Jamaica, (when you will no doubt keep him as long as you can) to have the pleasure of seeing him, with sister Caroline Little Wm. in Troy; it is a long time since I last saw him, which was in New Haven, he has probably attained very much since then, tho I think I shall recognize him. — In answer to Mama's inquiry whether it would do for Car. to make me a visit, I have to say that so far as it regards the danger of coming to our City, none exists (as you will notice by the paper which I sent you yesterday, containing the official report of our board of

health) & only regret that I have to attend Court at Lenox, Mass., next Monday & shall not be able to see brother Isaac & Sister C. soon, but they must come on by the last of next week certainly, for I shall be home by that time, as one cause will be the first one tried in Court. Tell them to stop at Citrus, the "Joy house", as that is the best one in the city. — I shall look for them very evening after next Wednesday, till they come. Will meet them on board the boat if they come in ^{on} our Joy boats, which land close by our store. —

I am enjoying very good health, tho' at present not entirely recovered from the fatigue of our Training on Monday last, which we did in the best & most fantastical style imaginable, & to the no small amusement of the Citizens as well as of ourselves. — You would laugh to have seen me in my equipage. I looked very fine. I can assure you, with my huge whiskers & mustaches which were put on for the occasion, & the parts of my face not covered by these, painted with vermilion, making a fine contrast. Many thought we did great credit to the "Malicious System", which was our object. —

I was glad to hear that Aunt B. had actually gone to Connecticut, for I think a change will do her good. But I regretted that she should have parted with you with such feeling, of ill will, however I think you will see her back again at Jamaica before long, notwithstanding the ill treatment (as she says) she has met from her ungrateful relations; for she cannot live a great while separated from

the Children at least, if not from the rest of the family. — I sh^d like to have Mama send my shirt, linen socks, &c to Sister Car. when she comes — & I should not be at all displeased at receiving a little bundle from you if you can guess what I want you to send. —

I have not time to write any more — Please excuse ~~the~~ miserable scrawl — Give love to all the family & remember me to all enquiring friends. In haste Your most affectionate brother

J. H. Whitlock

Nov 4 Decemb 1832

My Dear Sister

Your long expected letter was rec^d last Tuesday, since which time we have been so busy that I have not been able to answer it. You mentioned having written me once before, but that was the first I had heard of it, only one of your letters has come to hand. I was wondering what could be the reason you had not written me, as you promised to as soon as you arrived at Macon.

I was very sorry to hear that you all experienced such a stormy passage to Savannah, & were sea-sick besides; tho I suppose the latter will prove rather beneficial than otherwise now that you have lived through it - at any rate you will undoubtedly feel better when you get well as Aunt B. used to tell me.

I regretted very much that I could not see Lucy Ann before she sailed from N. Y.^l. I certainly should have contrived some way or other to have seen her, if only to say good bye, although we were very busy at that time, had I only known in season that she intended to go to the South with you. I thought she had given up all idea of going, at least you told me so, when you was here. Sister Mary & the rest of our folks at Jamaica, must miss you & Lucy very much this winter, & especially your "noise to relieve them", which they have been accustomed to hear; for you know you are both very noisy creatures. I hope Sister Furline will see to you, & not let you talk so much whilst you are with her. - I received a "Messenger" last Sunday, the first

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that has come to hand. You cannot imagine how much
pleasure I derived from reading it, which I did over and over
again, several times, in hopes of seeing something that related
to brother Isaac, or to any of his affairs. I noticed his name
at the head of the list of Managers for your Cotillion Parties this
winter. I expect you will have gay times. - Lucy Ann, I think
will enjoy it very much, & I hope you will too, but I believe
you are not very fond of such amusements. - I should like if
right, well to be with you, to pick up my heels at some of
your Cotillion parties, for we are not going to have any in
Troy this winter. - I have laid out my plan of amusements
for the coming season, & shall put into operation as soon as our
business is over, (which will be very soon, as the canal, the source
through which most of our trade is carried on, is closed) which
is to acquire a knowledge of the French language, & also to become
acquainted with the rules of music, which you know I have
been going to do for two or three winter past, but now I am
positively going to do it. I do not anticipate much difficulty
in learning the French, it is very much like the Latin, & that will
make it much easier for me, in fact I can tell the meaning
of most of the French words now, but the pronunciation will mostly
trouble me. - I hope that Saxe & Morgan will get
into the Wholesale business entirely, before another year, & then
I shall have much more time for improvement.

I received a letter from Eliza last Tuesday, at the same
time I did yours, were all well. I am very much dis-
appointed in not seeing her this fall, she has given up
her visit to Troy, & Castleton, she wants me to make a visit to
Castleton for her, but I should like to very much indeed, but
I tell you what, I am as poor as Job's turkeys, cannot afford it.
These are hard times, for poor day good Clarks have to scratch hard
for a living, hope it will not always be so, Next year, at any

rate, I shall have more salary to comfort myself with. - & you
many of my acquaintances have expressed their surprise that I
did not accept of the situation offered me in the bank, which
was thought to be a very desirable one indeed for almost any
young man, but I am perfectly satisfied with myself for
refusing it, & think I shall do better where I am now.

My friends here have taken me to task for not letting
them know when you were in Troy - but I expected to
have had a longer visit from you & thought there would
be time enough when it chanced up a little for you know
it rained most of the time you were here. I am very sorry
indeed that it was so, for I am afraid you did not get a
favorable opinion of our pretty city.

Mr. Fitch & family are well & desire their love to you all. We
have a very pleasant family of boarders at our house, - there
are three Widows - two young ladies & three young gentlemen
- self included - all very agreeable persons, I assure you - Mrs.
French is expected here to spend the winter - she is a great favorite
of mine & I anticipate a great deal of pleasure in having her
company, she is very lively & full of wit, & besides plays well on
the piano & sings, which you know I am very fond of - there
are two pianos in the house, so that we have plenty of music -
I have not practised much on my flute lately, but shall this
winter - I intend to get me a new one with more keys to it than
my old one has, for I cannot play any more, I please that.

You wished to know whether Miss Heath had made up her
mind to go to New York to school this winter - she has - I saw
her just before she went, she requested me to give her love to
you when I wrote. - Mamma writes that Aunt P. is with them
but expects to spend part of the winter in New York with Mr. North.
Give great deal of love to Sister & brother Isaac - Kin Pelly for me -
Hoping soon to hear from you - I subscribe myself your most aff. brother
Wm. S. W.

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W. Eymbrodt called last evening to inform me that he sh^d. start for Jamaica this afternoon. I would take any commands I might have to send. Although I have not time to write much (as we are very busy) I cannot let so direct an opportunity pass without sending a few lines if nothing more than to say that I am very well &c &c. I let^d from Leno yesterday morning, had a very pleasant time, stoped about an hour at the Shaker village, at Lebanon, more had been there before I was very much pleased with the ^{style} matress, of their gardens &c &c which were quite novel to me. Mr. Roosevelt Johnson & Sam^l. called on me yesterday forenoon, had been out West, were returning to Hyde Park, I was very sorry that we were so busy that I could not go about to show them the City - A. said that Mr. Roosevelt had let^d to New York again & was now living with only some domestics in the house with him. - I expect sister O & Brother D. this evening - Give love to all & believe me ever your most aff brother in haste W. Whitlock

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My Dear Sister

To say that if they were as intelligent as the former publication of Paris,
(which you may have seen) a considerable lot more than 700 would satisfy
the public. —
I am almost glad I must not forget to give Mr. Child, son to your sister Caro. which
she requested when she left again — I am very much obliged to Caroline for
the favour which she expressed at your letter — I tell Mary that Deborah
also very much to her from her occasionally of it can show him & after yourself
expect you will answer his immortality — Your great deal often to brother David.
My dear Sir. Every thing really for me — except a share of my front you most aff. with
Mrs W.

in our city a short time ago, (abstracted by the ladies), for the advancement of female education in Greece; while Mr. Nassau took a very active part with an address, which was read by our Minister, & also generously offered to give to the school \$500. - or in French a sum, which was chiefly to be published. - The ladies ~~of the~~ were especially - also Mr. Thompson & I made out the memorandum to purchase that 3000 copies (the number of volumes which Mr. Nassau might be able to afford) - each, offering \$5000. - I should think it might be this would not be a very great purchase, for most of the editions of former periods would not really bring 1 copy - but there has been some one in our city, & several months

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Georgia

Messengers very weak; I have received only two since you left Troy, & have been wondering what could be the reason, for he promised to send them often - the fault must be with some of the "rascally postmasters," whom the news papers tell us so much about. One postmaster thinks that they are probably sent to some other Troy - so if in future they should be directed to Troy New York, instead of Troy N. Y. they will probably reach me. I noticed in one of them that Macon was no longer a town but a city, & I am very much pleased to hear, by your letter, that you "city folks" are placed under so good a Mayor; I think it speaks well for the sense of the people, at any rate it has raised them very much in my estimation. I almost wish I was with you, but suppose I am better off in my present situation. I am glad to find that you & Lucy Ann flourish so well in the warm winter at the South. Your brother John I am sure enjoys quite as good health at the North, when the thermometer now stands at 16 degrees below zero - good wholesome weather, such as I like - I have not heard from home very lately, so cannot say whether they are sick or well. It is so long since I have written you that I hardly know when to begin to give an account of myself, perhaps I may as well commence with the new year, which I began very pleasantly with making calls in the morning (as is the custom here) in company with two or three other young fellows, taking the streets, then in succession, stopping where we were acquainted & wishing them a "happy new year," & stating a kiss from the pretty girls when practicable, this to be sure this last, was rather a difficult operation, in which we were not as successful, as in making a great number of calls, which upon counting up, amounted to 47 - most of these places I was not acquainted, but some of the rest were, which was all the same thing. - The Mayor did not keep open house this year, as

has always been the custom hitherto. How is it in Macon, do you have any thing of this kind there? Your Mr. Ingraham, whom you expected in Jamaica last year, to deliver a course of lectures on Palestine, has been here delivering three successive courses, his first was liked so well, that the two last were delivered "by particular request" - I believe he received considerable patronage from the Trogans. I attended one course & was very much pleased & instructed; he made use of a great many transparencies showing the appearance of different places & parts of country in the Holy Land, which assisted his hearers very much in understanding his descriptions. - We have quite a new order of things here now, & very agreeable to us, clubs, for we close our stores at 8 instead of 9 o'clock, which gives us a little more time for improvement than we formerly had; this was brought about by the club, presenting a regular petition to this effect, stating their wishes, &c, to their employers, who, after a little urging came into the arrangement. My time is pretty well occupied now, two evenings in the week I attend chemical lectures from 8 to 10 o'clock, one evening go to singing school, another meet with the choir of our church for practising together, and the two other evenings I play upon my flute & visit the ladies &c &c - By the bye I have purchased an excellent flute with four keys, which I am trying to become acquainted with, so as to accompany Lucy upon the piano when I see her again; tell her she must practice a great deal, or she will hardly do to play with so great a performer as myself. That eccentric character, Lorenzo Dorr, has been here for a few days past, tickling the ears of the multitude, who flocked in great numbers to hear & see him - he still retains his long hair, which, by the way, is rather grey now, looks as if it had seen hard service - - We had a great meeting

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My Dear Sister

Your letter of 27th Feb^r is received. I have been very busy since its reception, taking inventory, writing up our books & accounts, &c &c, which must apologize for my not writing sooner. I received a letter from Mama the same day I did yours, informing me of the new acquisition I had to my list of mice. I would give a great deal to see the new comer, but suppose I shall have to take your word for it, & believe that she is a beautiful little creature. Tell brother Isaac I say it must be named Caroline. Aunt Pety cannot have any fault to find with this little Miss, for Mama writes that she has a small mouth. By the bye Aunt P. is at Jamaica now, and I believe intends to spend the summer there. I suppose Mama has told you of the present, brother William had from Mr. Grace, of a building lot on the hill back of Mr. Kings house, it is quite a valuable gift. Mr. King offered \$5000. for it, some time ago but Mr. Grace would not sell it. Mama is coming to Troy this summer, & going on to Vermont. I shall probably accompany her, & I think we shall return by the way of the

Wm. Tryst thinks dear her to you all.

Miss J. Conditte M. Whitlock
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Connecticut River. I have never been that route, but have heard so much of its beauties, that I am quite desirous of seeing for myself; beside, I want to go that way for another reason, which is to make Mr. Fennell a short visit, which I have promised him. She has been here for a few weeks past on a visit, but was not very well, I went as far as Punnington with her last Friday on her way home - She is a charming woman & I think a great deal of my relationship with her, I assure you. We are just receiving a few new goods from N. York & shall soon be very busy. We anticipate a good Spring trade - the Canal will be opened the 22nd of this month. I had a conversation last week with Knox Morgan respecting my salary for this year; they seemed to think they could not afford to increase it any. I told them that I did not consider the salary which they gave me last year a sufficient compensation, as much as I ought to receive, for my services for this coming year. That I could probably command more elsewhere. Only asked \$50. more, which would make \$200. my board & washing. They said they would like to have me satisfied & would not wish me to stay unless I was; still did not think could afford to pay more, however would give me a definite answer next day, when they decided to allow me the \$200. - I shall remain with them this year at least. I think that the Clerks in Troy, generally, get but small salaries in comparison with Clerks in many other places.

Our course of Chemical lectures is completed. Last Thursday evening to finish off with, some exhilarating gas was administered to many of the class who desired to take it. I did not like to take it myself as there were ladies present; but I see some of its effects, from a fellow

under the influence of it, by a violent blow on my nose, which caused me to retreat, & spoiled my fun for the rest of the evening. There were about 30 persons to whom the gas was administered & as you may imagine we had a variety of performances. I am going to take some of the gas next Friday evening; when we are to have another lecture (which I intend for a benefit for our lecture who has been to considerable expense in the course of lecturing, more than he agreed upon) - When there are to be no ladies present.

You wished to know the name of the young lady who is to be married to Mr. Walker, Mr. Willard's "pious young man", & go with him to France; it is Miss Bogach, of Schenectady. She is not one of Mr. Willard's former scholars, as you supposed, but is said to be quite an accomplished young lady. Mr. Walker is now in Troy, & will remain here for a month or two. Mr. W. is at school as ever - his Journal has not yet appeared, but is expected soon.

Mr. Titus who kept the "Joy House", where you stopped when in Troy did a few weeks since, after a short illness, he will be a great loss to our city. They have been trying to find some one to take his house, who can keep up its well established reputation for respectability, but have not yet succeeded. We want one ^{of the kind} ~~house~~, at least, in the city, if only for its own reputation. We are going to have water works established this summer, in the vicinity of our city, for supplying it with pure, wholesome water. It will be a great convenience, for it can be conveyed to any part of our buildings, as the spring is much higher than the highest house. A gentleman has been sent to Philadelphia & to other places where there are works of this kind, to obtain all necessary information & to procure workmen for the contemplated project. So it will not be all talk this year, as it was last. I was sorry to hear that Lucy was deprived of her music teacher so soon, though she may improve herself much by practicing on her old pieces, which I hope she will do. I have not in the "Messenger" for two weeks past. Please give great deal of love to brother Isaac & all rest of the family & make my respects to Miss Caroline & my dear wife, & believe me to be your most affectionate brother. In A. Whitlock

How shall I commence this epistle to my dear Sister so as to make it at all acceptable; I do not know of any other way than by craving her pardon for my almost unaccountable silence & promising to be a better correspondent, in future, for I have no excuse to offer, and not impudence enough to plead ^{her} ~~your~~ example. I intended to have answered your letter, my dear Sister, certainly before I made my visit to Jamaica, but as I was expecting Mother here every day, thought I would defer it until she arrived so as to tell you how she was &c &c - Well I waited and waited until the first of July & no Mother appearing, I started off forthwith for Jamaica, expecting to find her either at home or in N.Y., but what was my disappointment when I reached N.Y. to hear that she left there the afternoon before, the same time that I did Troy, so that we must have passed each other on the river. I had a great mind to take the same boat I came down in & return again to Troy, but finally concluded to go on to Jamaica and see what the good folks there would be the best plan for me to pursue, & according to their advice I wrote Mother that I would make out my visit in Jamaica & she could make hers in Vermont & be in Troy on my return - My visit although short (only three weeks) was a delightful one, and I passed my time very pleasantly, I can assure you, all that was wanting to complete my happiness was the presence of the rest of my dear

I spent to make you understand it - Only think of it being true many
 a day old enough for to be my mother! I take which - which way
 decidedly almost & the patcher a little to me immediately, warning me not
 to be taken in by the visitors, & all that sort of stuff. I had not time to have
 as soon as opinion of the firm's capacity - Notwithstanding all this, the visitors may
 accomplish & divide in any one to give - I like can that you do
 not get drawn into this, much but state of extravagance - I'm much here to all, but
 can't say, they can have a trial, and believe me, you must all thank Al.

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friends, which I sincerely hope will not be the case another summer.
Miss Sarah Eigenbrodt desired me to give Lucy Ann a severe
scolding for not writing to her as she promised, ^{to} after she reached
Macon. I think it very unkind in Lucy, Sarah thinks so much
of her & they were so very intimate. I hope she will write very soon
or else she must expect to get the scolding which I am duly author-
ized to give her. David is not in Troy as you supposed, but
is studying with Doct. Elliott in New York. Catherine made quite
a long visit in Troy last spring I think nearly nine weeks. Sarah
intends coming here this fall. Mr. Fitch has had a great many
acquaintances of his at his house this summer & among the rest
Miss Smith of Jamaica, Mr. Smith of New York & the Sister Mrs.
Hoyt who inquired after Lucy Ann, said she was at Mr. Garfield's
school with her in New Haven - they studied on town to the West last
week, as soon as Mr. Smith came from N.Y. Then there has been a
number of other young ladies at our house which made it very
pleasant for me, for you know I am exceedingly fond of the ladies,
at times, especially when they play well upon the piano, or some
of them did. Mr. Fitch & family are well & desire their love to
Sister Caroline & yourself. Mama stayed in Troy almost a
fortnight after she returned from Vermont, visiting around amongst
her friends, who appeared to be quite attached to her, and all
very desirous of having her make this house her home whilst she
remained. She improved wonderfully during the short time
she was at the North & among us; was at least 50 per cent better than
when she left home. I was sorry that I had not more leisure

when she was here, but Mr. Chase & one of the clerks were absent
~~which~~ necessarily confined me very much to the store. Still I
went around a little with her, showed the beauties of our beautiful
city, its neighboring hills, which afford such fine views, &c. &c.
We took a trip to Albany & then out on the Schenectady Rail Road
half way & back, as we had not time that day to go the whole
distance - it was quite a novelty to both of us, as neither had ever been
on one before. We dined with Mr. & Mrs. Garfield in Albany,
they appeared just as they used to when you lived with them in
New Haven, not changed in the least either for better or worse.
Mr. G. had one of his exhibitions a week or two before, the first
time that ever any thing of the kind was tolerated in Albany.
he said that it made the people open their eyes, although it
nothing to show he formerly had in New Haven, but he should
show them next time; he did not wish to frighten them in the
beginning. I rec'd a letter from Mama last week, were all well,
Mr. & Mrs. King was to have been married last Thursday.
Brother Wm, Sister Mary & Aunt B. in company with Mr.
& Mrs. Grace were going to Niagara falls by the way of Boston.
I shall probably have the pleasure of seeing them in Troy on their
homeward route, as they must pass this way. - You have not
sent me the Messenger very regularly, have you: but two in about
six months - the last is easily accounted for, it contained
Mr. Symonds grand speech to the Volunteers, which I must
acknowledge was not so bad considering. - It would give me
a great deal of pleasure to get the Messenger often & not have them
appear so much like angels visits, "few & far between"; - How is both

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My Dear Sister

Your affectionate letter of 12th inst last, is received; and as evidence that your most excellent example is not lost on me, I now sit down to answer it, without delay, hoping thereby to regain my long lost reputation for punctuality, & also to elicit from you in future a continuation of good examples which you, no doubt, are very well aware, I must have placed often before me. I was much pleased to hear that you were all so well, & that Lucy Ann was recovering the use of her limbs again, all owing, probably, to her skill in Anatomy! - How comes our little Willy? poor child - was nothing but skin & bones when at the North, has he fattened up any? & little Caroline too, how is her ladyship? You must tell me all about them in your next letter -

You thought that brother Isaac will not have time to visit Jerry - I cannot think of his returning to the South again without seeing him - indeed he must come & see me, if for only a few hours, for I want very much to see him & much at some rate or other - if he cannot come to me, I must try to go to him, although this will be almost impossible for me, as the heaviest part of our business comes on about the time he will be at the North - I want to have a confab. with him about matters & things, &c - for you must know that now I have a right to speak for myself, having this day entered upon my twenty first year, & become my own man - I feel as if it was time for me to be looking around, to see what can be done by my humble self in the way of getting a living. - I would not wish to commence business alone, at my age, as I think that 21 is too young for any man to do it to advantage, unless in

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Milano Esco, France, was married last week to a Mr. Frank, Jr. of N. York, and they are going
 to Europe - Mr. Felt, of the New England, has arranged to visit to spend the winter, with Mr.
 Bull, a nephew of Mr. Felt's - Mr. Bull must be very much at our house -
 I had very many letters from Leonard to be sure last week, they had been out three
 to be the country - I intended to make them a visit this winter -
 Mr. Felt desired me to give him his to you & Anne -
 Write me soon, tell all the news of your flourishing city, what you & Anne find to
 matter you know they are so - I am great darling here to all the family & believe me, as
 soon, you most affectionate brother
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

long time ago - the Court-house in the same neighborhood, is almost finished -
 you probably recollect the building as well as the planning - and there is a very
 handsome building going up in the city park, which has just commenced speaking -
 it is a misnomer - there are to be applications made, the building, for some more nearly
 to our city - the very House which has been closed from the death of Mr. Allen, has been
 purchased by a Corporation, for more things fitted up in great style, & additions made to it
 in a very extensive scale. We need a house of this kind here -
 I had a call the other day from Mr. Johnson to whom I had a deal in relation
 to accompanying you - the house that I was, but I came to be no - did not need any
 thing of him, mentally, was very happy to be here - with you, & did I know, I might of

company, with some person or firm already established, where he
can have the experience of old hands to guide him - such a place
I am on the lookout for - Sh: prefer sitting in Troy - but would
not refuse a good offer in any other place - I do not know of
a more desirable house to form a connection of this kind with,
than the one where I now am, as clerk - though I am afraid
there is but little chance of my affecting it, at least for some
years to come - Our folks do a very good & safe business, principally
wholesale, which is increasing every year - shall leave off retailing
entirely next Spring - I am very glad of it for the retailing is dull
work, at least so far as the profit is concerned - I shall try
hard to work myself in hard - Brother W^m says that he can
get me a loan of about \$5000 - from Mama & Aunt B, or in some
other way, as a capital to start with - I am confident that
Sh: be so fortunate as to invest this with K & M in business, I
could in a few years refund the whole principle with interest, &
without running the least risk -

Thursday - I was obliged to leave off writing last Saturday,
we were so busy, I have not had an opportunity since to
finish it - Our fall business has commenced pretty briskly -
we anticipate a good season for trade -

I rec^d a letter fr^m Jamaica short time since, folks were all
well - The Travellers had returned - Aunt B. quite sick
of travelling, indeed she wished herself home when they had
gone no further than Troy - They seemed to be in great haste to get
out of our handsome city, which they all admired very much, na
could I prevail on them to stay longer than one night, I part of the
next day - I had expected a longer visit - however, enjoyed the
short time they did stay here not a little - Sister Mary looked
much better than when I saw her last summer in Jamaica -
Mr. Beattie, Mr. Eigenbrodt & Sarah came up the river with

them, or rather our folks came on board the boat at Catskill,
(from the "Mountain House", where they had been spending a day or two)
I found them on board - Mr. E. returned about a fortnight since,
Sister still remains, is very much pleased with Troy, she expects to
return soon - I told her that Lucy had written to her to expect to receive
the letter soon - She & Mary Beattie desire then love to you & Lucy - Mr. E.
had his husband's portrait, & also his own, which were painted a long time
ago, copied by Mr. Moore, a native artist of our city - And Aunt B.
saw a portrait of Mr. Beattie's (which is a very good one & painted by the man)
hearing that his terms were so very low (only \$10.) desired me to sit for
mine & she would pay the bill - accordingly, I have given him
four patient sittings, & my friends say that he has obtained a very good
likeness - I intend to send it to Jamaica next week - so that if I
sh: not see brother Isaac, he may see something that resembles me -
What is the reason that you never send me the "messenger"? I have not rec^d one
since that forced in this direction by Sister Care - flaming spirit - Now I
be but little trouble for you to see that one was sent, once in a while, if
regularly, & you certainly would take this duty upon yourself, did you not
know much pleasure I took in looking them over - Mr. Lyman, a much of
your place, was at our store a short time, since to see Mr. Morgan, with whom
he was formerly acquainted in Connecticut, & I intended to have got an introduction
to him, but at the time he was in our store did not know he was from Macon,
he left town before I saw him again, or could write you a few lines -
We had quite a fire, directly in rear of our store, 17th Sept. last - a barn & two
buildings, one occupied as dwelling, other as paint shop, were consumed -
The fire was discovered about 10 o'clock - had it only been two hours later, the people
bunchy only before the engines could have reached the fire - We were scorched a little as
it was - There happened then a few fires in our city within a short time, all supposed
to be the work of incendiaries - We shall soon be in a better condition to extinguish fires
as our Water Works are nearly completed - pipes are already laid in many of the
streets - Water from there can be conveyed to the tops of our highest houses -
Our city is improving astonishingly - there are numberless new buildings going
up, among the rest a third Presbyterian meeting house nearly opposite the
Seminary - this latter building which has so long been a reproach to the city, is raised
one story higher, & is intended in length & breadth to have a balustrade the whole length
of the front, & then a good coat of paint over the whole - all of which it deserved a