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My dear Eugene.

Yesterday I received your
letter from you. Since your arrival at Washington
The last telling me, you had secured a situation
in Boston, made my heart overflow with love,
and gratitude to your noble Grand Father:
and had he seen in my rank. I think I should
have wept at least a dozen times on his
splendid brow, and with a multitude of thanks
gives him a faint idea of what I felt.

Could any one see my letter to you. They might
suppose me extravagant in my expressions, of love
but the past as well as the future, will bear
witness of my sincere and unchanging affection.
I am happy a situation has been procured you
in the North. it is a severe school, but will
make you a thorough Merchant. I hear you spoke
of the only objection to your remaining in the North.
that of being absent from me the tears insist.

Mr Eugene Smith

Mr James Smith
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