

New Washington Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 1845

My Dear Father

I received your letter about two weeks  
since and I would have answered it much sooner but I have had  
company almost ever since which has prevented me from doing so  
I was never more grateful than I was to hear that Ma's health  
has so much improved for it was a sense of great uneasiness to  
us, no doubt the visit to Uncle James helped her very much and  
you must urge her to go often I know by my own self that riding  
<sup>the best</sup>  
is machine for her - tell Ma that I am looking for an answer to  
my last letter I have written her so many that I cannot excuse  
her this time for not writing I believe that all of the entry  
now falls to my lot Sister and Cornelius have grown as busy  
about it as I used to be indeed you cant complain of me  
any unless for troubling you so much with my foolishness  
Mr Shuman is still talking about going to the <sup>States</sup> he wants to  
get off by the first of October Sister says that if times  
get better this winter as we here think she will make  
you a visit in the Spring we have no Steam Ship running  
between Galveston and New Orleans at this time the  
New York and Galveston are expected out next month or the  
first of November so I shall to wait for one of them  
I am too much of a coward to cross the Gulf in a  
little sail vessel besides it is very stormy in the  
Gulf at this season I tell Mr Boyan that I intend  
to stay at least a year when I go home less time than

My father sends his respects to you and Ma

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