

Cambridge MS. July 1847

Dear Sister,

I suppose you have thought it your duty to bring me to myself by correction. So you have withheld any sisterly greeting. I am extremely desirous to know how you have passed thro' the trials which you expected. My business has kept me from seeing Sally A. for some weeks, so that I know not how much she knows about you. — The second week of last vacation the Friday before our election, I set off to see my uncle Charles & Aunt at Lebanon & Columbia. I arrived at Mr Bennett's, who did not know me at all - so I told her my name. We soon proceeded to Uncle Huntington's - spent the afternoon - found them all well & comfortable. obliged to go as near the wind as possible in order to sail.

We have had the President here as you perceive & all smooth & agreeable



But I have just come from an affected ~~myself~~  
family where I have had at one to show & to alleviate  
as far as possible by prayer, consolation & sympathy  
the ~~great~~ grief of mourners. - You have heard  
that our beloved & admired Sophie Hill  
has been sick for weeks or months. eye  
a rapid consumption. Night before last  
at one of the left us the mourners to  
be taken to the silent morrow. - She  
returned from a journey about six weeks  
ago worse. Her disease has been gradually  
increasing - not with much pain. On  
Monday she vomited blood a second or third  
time but became afterwards better quiet  
very & slept a little in the night, till 12 o'c.  
when in short fit of ~~convulsions~~ convulsions she  
expired - peace to her gentle spirit -  
Do not sorrow at your heart for this. She  
is at rest - I pray you write me how  
you are -  
Truly your J. R.



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