

Address on Envelope:

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My Dear Abbot Dont be confounded when you get this letter – I shall write you on a little matter of business yet not entirely with a want of cousinly affection and remembrance – When I came away I left at home without being returned to the owner “Elihu Burritts Miscellaneous Writings” Part 1st.. It belonged to Maria – hence the “double condemnation” as Shakespeare says – I left the aforesaid book in my room upstairs – in the second middle drawer in the shelves standing in the corner – Why I put ~~them~~ it there I dont know but since I did pray say nothing about to any one – but think yourself doing me a great favor – by going to said drawer un appized by mother and the folks taking the said Burrill’s book and conveying it with ~~with~~ the note here in contained to the rightful owner – You will find it hidden among a multitude of other pamphlets – but I am it sure it is there – you will keep “silence profound” on the sensitive subject – How is the “R.C.” ?athons and tender remembrances to the members. You will get a catalogue of the Institute held here in vacation – for the R.C. there is a joke in the ma~~atter~~ – I said W Hunt one day who had a parcel of catalogues on his table – “Send one wth R.C.” “Doomed if I will” says he – then I’ll send it – “Do it said he” I have done it and marked ~~hims~~ name unbeknown to him – You will render it wth R. C. as from him with his name underscored – you take the joke and on this as the aforesaid matter you can keep “mum profound” – Have you had any of the sentiments – Has “Librety” yet had its day. Aunt takes it in high dudgeon that his letter is not surrendered – How comes on the paper - ? Is the dichy subject exhausted? My sympathy are with the redoubtable defenders of the aforesaid custom – honored from immemorial time. I hardly know when I shall get time to send a piece to the R.C. hope your letter is forthcoming –

My health is very good – but my eyes trouble me somewhat – in the evening – I know no College news only this – that it is reported ~~that~~ Prof Haddock is appointed minister to Spain by the Pres. Taylor – This appointment is said to be in the “Union” I have not seen it. I hope it is a mere rumor – though there must be something without doubt in the report – He was at the City of Washington last month. – Dr Sprague of Albany is to address the [written Greek letter Phi]. B. K. Dr Barnes the Theological Society - & Paul Brown of Phila. the United Societies – It has rained every day since I came back – Such weather will make one murmur – Those students who were separated from here and went to Union to get admitted to the senior class there – could not and have returned - ??comb is studying Law in Manchester. I had a letter from Robert sometime ago – he is in business at ?Cuba – and extensively engaged – his Father is at Buffalo – I think it uncertain whether Robert will study a profession – perhaps medicine some – time but neither Law nor divinity I have written this Letter merely because I felt anxious about that Book – Pardon the illegible hand Please do as I wished on the other page and my Dear Cousin I am yours ever

Fred. A. Smith