with Servants, they cannot be worse in N. Y. than they are here!

We have had several very entertaining new works this last Summer, you have the same+ of course Segurs campaign in Russia — & the Elder Segurs Memoirs, & those of Genlis, the latter, how droll & yet how disgusting & ridiculous, I can't endure the woman!! If you have not read Madme Campan's "Private Journal" pray get it, with the exception of that story of the Lady & the petrified Child, & some little defects in her notions on education, you will be delighted with the book.

It is not that I have distrusted your Taste, which was always so perfect, that has prevented me from intruding upon you with my wants, but now that you indulge me with so fair a permission, I will avail myself of it, for I cannot suit myself at all here, & I am verily without a winter Bonnet tho' I have both a Parisian Cloak & Redingote. I wish you would purchase for me, or get made for me a Black Velvet bonnet, I wish you could contrive to find out who made Mrs Codmans (Miss Mc Masters) for she brought one with her from N york, & as she is the Bride every thing she wears, and from N. Y. must be the fashion, & I should like to have it as nearly like hers as possible — I have enquired of Mrs D what millener made it, but the matter in that family you know, is so important, that the question has been ans'd by

+ Russells Tour in Germany