Milton near Boston June 30 1845.

Dear Wolcott, How strange it seems to be writing to you by the steamer, you in Russia! I can understand however your position & know that even this letter will be acceptable - You were to write me as soon as you were settled in Berlin but nothing has reached me yet - I have determined for some time & now a particular reason, called for doing so - Mr. Chalis Mother, Mary, Frederic & myself are at Mary's new farm in Milton on the slope of the blue hills. Mother & I go to Newport in a week where we expect to meet your Mother & George & the others of your family - We heard from them a week since when they were well - Aunt Sarah's house sold for $48.000 - & is to be occupied by a friend of ours Mr Hooper - The back lot intended for building on. Aunt S is in Newport - Robert Hare is making her a visit with his daughter Caroline & fiancé. He has been in our neighborhood with her for a fortnight & has driven over to this place two or three times - He seems quite renovated & the lady who is much attached - She is a fine girl - Robert brought on a pair of matched saddle horses in a wagon with which they drive & ride - He has also had an addition built to his father's house for her - I hope nothing will in-

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glad to have a line from me in which I may thank you for book you sent me. Which I value very much as coming from you. Dear Wol be sure & write me if you ever return, do not forget us. Just write if your strange fate & that of Hannah & Sept the day here last year & you were kindly remembered by her - We also hope great things for you & from you. Fred will be very glad to hear from you & that you have stayed [illegible] of Rouge the Lord Bless you & [illegible] & creeps - Mother & Geo & Mrs Q. &c. &c. To continue - [illegible] are & stay at the Hunnemann Hall farm - Harry made us a little vis- [illegible] t Boston, in low spirits - He had been unfortunate & [illegible] in an affair du coeur - Anna Russell is in Boston & expected to call here tomorrow - Wesle 8 miles from the city on a place covered with fruit & We have not heard from Elisa lately - None is good news - Mrs Becker is near Boston & has just lost one of her children (Sweet Pea) - As to public news the new postage law goes into operation tomorrow - Texas still hangs in suspense - but there is little hope - Dorr was liberated two or three days ago by the R.I. Legislature - Morse's telegraph is in process of extension to [illegible] - New railroads are springing up in all directions Companies of from one hundred to two hundred are crossing to Oregon in constant succession - I think the country is gaining strength notwithstanding its follies & sins - The copper country near Lake Superior is proving immensely rich especially in silver. - Jeriel Jackson is finally dead - Mr Dewey in a sermon preached & published in Boston, anniversary week attacked Strauss - The liberal party among the Unitarians here showed a great deal of strength - & the Unitarian Clergy espoused took very strong ground against Slavery - Cassius M Clay in Ky is publishing a weekly paper denouncing Slavery with great effect - We are much interested in Ronge's repu- tation & much so that I wish to present to him a set of my father's works - On enquiry I find that such an effort made through you can not subject you to any trouble - & I have therefore forwarded or shall forward to a house in Hamburg two sets of the works with instructions that they shall be delivered to you free of cost as far as is possible - All expense I will of course repay at once - Will you then forward them respectively to Rev Johannes Ronge & Rev — Czerski in any manner that will best insure their safe arrival - Though I am very desirous to effect this you will not of course let it interfere in any way with your various relations pursuits & respon- sibilities - They may not reach you - If they do the remainder of the may with be handy

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