Mr Wheaton was held by his countrymen here and accordingly after all the other academicians had consented to sign the degree he very quietly declined signing and said that he must at least have time to reflect upon it. Next day he told Whitney and myself what had happened and left it to us to decide whether Wheaton should be Doctor or not! We told him that we had no ill will towards Mr Wheaton and that he must decide on the merits of the case. Did Mr Wheaton deserve the honour or not? One word from either of us would have settled the matter against Wheaton as Rose was very strongly inclined not to sign. However at the next meeting of the Academy Ranke and von Raumer teased him into compliance and so Mr Wheaton is Doctor honoris causâ. This will I think tickle George's Panic amazingly. You must not however make it public, not on Mr Wheaton's account but on that of the academy. Charles Morris's letter arrived in due time and was very interesting. Mr Doctor has not yet been here and is now I [illegible]

[illegible] Roger Griswold and thus connected with us. George's book has also arrived as well as a package containing Silliman's Journal and other pamphlets. Old Sir Smith seems to be in his dotage. I have not yet had time to read the life. The book is well got up — paper and print are good but I cannot say that I much admire the portrait. It would have been better to have had the bust engraved. I have been working hard and am in tolerable condition though thin. I am impatient to wind up my affairs here and be off. I shall write to Mr Schlesinger in regard to my money affairs and how I had better wind them up here. It is unlucky that the whole sum was put to my credit in Berlin and when it becomes necessary to send me a remittance I hope George will send me a circular note on Baring & Co which can be cashed anywhere without commission. This will not I think be necessary for a long time. I have your 620 Thalers in the hands of my banker here, but I must soon draw again and pay all my bills here before leaving. Then something is of course due to him for commission & postage. My journey shall be as reasonable as possible. I hope even more so than last summer and that it will cost me but little more than it would to remain this one place. I told you you know that no laboratories are open during the summer months and that I must therefore be unemployed if not travelling. Travelling in the south of Germany is cheap as well as living. In Zurich this is particularly the case. I had hoped to have heard you about my journey but as you have not thought it worth while to write, why I must follow my own nose. My expences have hitherto averaged 50 Thalers or $36.00 a month and therefore I hope not to require anything till I am my neat. I shall of course let you know in time. George mentions that he has got through. This I am very glad to hear. I suppose he is excessively warlike