The Le Barbiers are going down to Staten Island to spend the summer, have taken a cottage for the whole family, Sheckan included. The Sterns are as usual. They gave a party last week for Mrs Duncan of Natchez one of their manias, which Mother and I went to in spite of rain and moving, but it was so tiresome that we must went to sleep. The girls have bouquets which they are very mysterious about, people [illegible] that [illegible] but I doubt if he has made up his mind. We have seen a good deal of the Murrays since we came into their neighborhood, they are very kind to distressed friends. Mrs M looks better, has given up going abroad, and the whole family have moved up to Greenfield for the summer. Mrs Bell is at present deep in house cleaning, and ornamenting for Edward's wedding which takes place the 1st of June. After that he follows the lead of the whole of New York which has gone abroad for six months. I could hardly tell who has not gone, the Langdons, Trobriants, Luis Jones, George Jones and Fanny Sterns, Chadwicks, Rhinelanders, Sam Wards, Grymes and a lot of others. Mrs Stout expects Frank the 1st of the month; he walks out now a little every day. They then go directly to Newport for the summer. The Gelsbons go to New Brighton. We have been quite often up to Mr Martin's studio, your picture pleases all of us but Eliza, I think the fault is in the lower part of the face. Since then he has been at work on the book of beauty, in which he has introduced Mrs Slaight, Mrs Ward, Mrs John Schermerhorn, Mrs Parker, Mrs John Lay, Mrs Tiffany Field, Mrs Bristed, Mrs D. Van Rensselaer, Mrs John Murray, Mrs Wadsworth and several others 14 in all. There is to an Essay on Beauty by Ik Marvel. If it is not too expensive we will send George a copy. Now dear Frank I must say good bye. Write all about yourself, what you wear, where you go, who you see what you eat in fact everything. This is for you and George. I am afraid it will miss Apps.

Yours very affec sister Quoy.