New York June 8th 1852

Mr Francis Gibbs Canton

Dear Francis

Letters from this side to the firm & from family friends have informed you of the decease of my Bob Henry. This [illegible] will I know be deeply felt you as it by all his relatives on this side, —

Henry mentioned your name not long before his death and desired of myself & brother to look after your interests you may rely on my considering it a duty and pleasure to do so. — Your letters which I have seen show much improvement & if you go on gaining knowledge you will find all will come round right. —

I have given Mr Westray very full powers & instructions I expect the house will be continued & in many respects be better situated for doing business than ever before, I look forward to the time arriving when you can fill an important post in it. I shall be as happy in advancing you as yourself & friends will be to have it done, believe me your sincere friend trust to me, make yourself every competent & if I succeed you shall also, — I have written Mr Westray and asked him to take an interest in you — Very truly your cousin C M Wolcott.