them to me by mail. Reading matter of any value is scarcer here than any thing else. I wrote to ask you to send me Schoolcrafts volume with my journal by Adams & Co's express but repeat the request but you should not have received my letter as the mails are so uncertain. The last one brought me letters from you from February 21st to April 3d. You dont tell me whether you ever received the description I sent of the great cataract on the Snake river, of which you had a couple of drawings and which I wished published. If not I will send another or publish it here, as I want to establish my claim to the first visit. I have been trying to write up some notes, but find the task irksome & laborious of putting them together; I write so slowly that I am discouraged. The collection of materials is pleasant enough, & if I saw any probability or returning to the States I should leave it off. However meantime I shall try to do something towards it & yet somehow time fitters away here awfully. Does Putnam pay well for articles. What more about the half bred pretender to the French crown & what does Prince Joinville say about the matter. Is the man simply a liar out and out, or is he cracked?

Give my best love to Josephine - I wrote to her some time since & will again by and bye

George

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