

To Mariam from Brooking. He is writing that he is already home and giving her news of his trip and of the family.

Sunday night June 12th 1870

Dear Sister

I received your very welcome letter today; I had expected an answer before this; your letter was dated the 6th. It seems that your letter went to the Institute and was forwarded back to you but you said nothing about that. I reached home safe yesterday evening; found all well. I regretted very much that you could not come over to our commencement; I had a very nice time during the day: at night we had a hop, I went to bed and consequently did not attend the hop: there were a great many there, they had splendid music to dance by. I got up about 3 o'clock the next morning and started for Frankfort; we had to wait there for the 7 o'clock train. We had quite a gay party coming down to Louisville; I did not go to the city that day but got off and stayed all night with Horace Means at his school. I had a very nice time while there. I left there yesterday morning and got to Louisville about 9 o'clock; I went down to the river and got on the Ben Franklin which left at 10. I got home about sun down; Pa got on at Ghent and came up to Uncle Abbs landing with me. We went up to the house and sit down a little while and then came over home. Dot and Gallatin [*his cousins, Virginia's boys*] came over and stayed all night with me. Today we all went to Sunday school. It rained so hard all day after we got there that we did not get back home until dark. Pa and Bud Louis have gone to bed. Ma and I are still scribbling away. You must excuse haste; I'll send love to you. Write soon to your loving brother

R.B.Gex

P.S. Cousin Lillie and her two young ones are at Uncle Abbs, they came up night before last. Maggie Means also got home yesterday evening.

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