

Phil^a Oct. 7th 1862

My beloved Brother

I wrote a few lines to you yesterday under cover to Dear Bernard at Louisville with the hope it might reach you, and tell how grateful & happy we were to receive yours of the 29th Sept. telling that you were all well, and assuring that we were also fast with health, it was forwarded by Howard from N. Y. from whom I have just received a letter saying Mr. Vance was about returning to Kentucky and would carry a letter for me, to him we are indebted for the safe delivery of yours

and its enclosure, of which
Horace will do your bidding
I deem myself most favored
by having the opportunity
of addressing you, and re-
ceiving the sweet assurance
of your comforts & the health
of your family. How often
I wish we were together.
Tho' I thank God, that
you are receiving comfort
& kindness from those
who have authority in
your midst. May all
who contribute to your well-
being be rewarded by
One above them. And

Rocky Grattan

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