

Phil & Nov 11<sup>th</sup> -

My Darling Anna,

Your letter was  
so sweet, so unexpected and  
so welcome - that I cannot  
leave it a day unanswered  
and I thank you with  
all my heart, for the  
pleasure it gives us - we  
talk of you & your dear  
sister continually - Aunt  
Mordcai was very sorry she  
came too late to see you, but  
I think she knows you through  
our loving descriptions,  
and your picture, grown  
a little older - she went to  
Baltimore this morning

and all the Minis family  
have gone to Savannah in  
this days steamer. Miss  
Eccles Cohen has arrived  
she brought some beautiful  
grapes to Cousin Julie, who  
means to mix some of her  
olive leaves with them, and  
Marianne Ferns and next  
year you shall bring me  
a contribution from Kentucky.  
Your remembrance of the  
domesticks was gratefully  
received, Mary thought it so  
very kind - and then spoke  
of Miss Anna's sweet ways  
and the love she gained from  
every one in the house.

I am glad to hear you are  
going to school, and hope  
you have lost so little by your  
long holidays that your  
Father will not be discouraged  
from bringing you again. Indeed  
if he will make a longer  
stay next year, you can take  
French lessons here, which will  
please you more. Give my  
love to Mrs Thrashly. I am  
sorry to tell her that I heard  
Mary Riggs was very sick, so  
a Lady just from Paris, told  
your cousin Becky in N.Y  
they had given up their house  
but not moved when she was  
taken sick, which would put  
horne their sitting out on their  
travels - give my love to your

Dear Parents & Miriam  
and all your brothers  
& their wives - I hear that  
Bernard has gone to the  
Mammoth Cave - in company  
with Miss H. - perhaps another  
great object may result  
from this journey - a friend  
of mine visited his Lady Lou  
to accompany him to Niagara  
and intimated - it was a  
journey for life - he craved.

God Bless you my dear  
Anna - I will never muster  
your eye again, by telling  
you not to forget me.

ever fondly your affec-  
tionate Aunt. P. Hoatz



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