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My loved Cousin

I know you
will be gratified to accept
among your Christmas presents
this little 'Mantle' - a relic of
older times - being a portion of
my dear Mother's 'Gowns', with
thin points and fringe -

May you place it in your
dressing and when you use
it remember her, who wore it
and her daughter, who now most
truly presents it to you - with a
heart full of prayer, that you
be long spared, in continued health
and pleasures! to bless those who
surround, and so love to honor you!

My Sister most affectionately
wrote with me at her, and
best wishes for many happy
returns of this glorious Day!

Believe me ever, and
most devotedly and sincerely
Your Cousin.

R. J. Etting.

March 5th 1844

Please present me to
my Cousin Isaac and
say I rejoice with him
on this happy Day! ~