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Letter from Mary Armstrong to Francis P. Porter

Mary Armstrong

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At home, Sep 8th / 1863.

Dear Frank,

I express the skirt to you this morning. Enclosed is some trimming for your mother's "undergarments" and enough for trimming a pair of pantaloons for which ever one of the girls the skirt belongs to. I almost despair of ever hearing from you again, why don't you come up? I will take no excuse at all. You will disappoint all of us if you don't come. I have written to Han, don't you know all about that one this. I just received a letter from sister Skatilda, she sends her love to all and said she would like to have a good talk with your mother. I have been to one Gene Sargo party since I came here, we danced at it, the first dancing done here by myself. Several here are very anxious to see Col. Porter and Capt. Conklin's daughters. So come up

right soon. I am nearly dead with the
flu. I have not time to write more.
Hoping to see you soon and with my
love to all the family I remain

Ever lovingly
Fred

P.S. Sad news has been very sick with
flu and Charlie died with it. Dan is
at Concord going to school.

In haste

F.

September 8, 1863

At home, Sep 5th, 63

Dear Frank,

I express the _____ to you this morning. Enclosed is some _____ for your mother's "undergarments" and enough for _____ a pair of pants. A little for whichever one of the _____ Siblings. I almost despair of ever hearing from you again. Why don't you come up? I will take no expense at all. You will disappoint all of us if you don't come. I have written to _____ but you know all about that are this. I just received a letter from sister Matilda. She sends her love to all and said she would like to have a good talk with your mother. I have been to one of those _____ parties since I came home. _____ he danced at it the first dancing done here by myself. _____ are very anxious to see Col. Porter and Cap't Conklin's daughter. He came up right _____. I am nearly dead with the _____. I have not time to write more. Hoping to see you soon and with my love to all the family, I remain

Ever Loving

Mead

P.S. _____ has been very sick with _____ and Charlie died with it. Dan is at home and going to school.

In haste,

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