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## Letter to Olivia Chase

Philander Chase

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Hartford Jan 26 1814

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My dear Sister,

As Mr Ward is again going into Vermont I can not forbear the pleasure of asking you how you and all our friends are. —

As for ourselves you would find, if you were present, only little alteration even in the smallest item of our domestic affairs. A kind of sameness which was once rather disgusting is now my delight: in it I find a quietness & peace which are not to be found in the world of business & change. Still we have our trials which I pray God may make us better instead of worse.

Mr Chase, my wife, I think enjoys better health this winter than she has since she came from the Southward.

We can not be too thankful for this blessing. you would be surprized to see how much she accomplishes in the course of the day by way of overseeing and doing for the family.

George is at Cheshire this winter. He improves in learning and in taste beyond, much beyond, my expectations. — Philander is at home — here with Orrin he is pursuing his studies as well as he can. The heavy bearing of the public distresses on salary men will prevent



me from doing as I would wish in extending the  
means of their education. But we hope for better times.  
Mr Fay, my hon Mother-in-Law, is pretty well and more-  
-ly in good spirits. The tidings, some time since, of Mrs Batch-  
-elor's being very alarmingly sick with the dropsy has  
given her great uneasiness; especially as she has <sup>heard</sup> not  
from Funbridge for some time, though she has written  
thither two or three of her anxious letters. Pray do  
write us what you can. - What kind of Dropsy was  
this, which portended such fatal consequences? Do  
relieve our anxiety.

Sis. Almira has recovered her health astonishingly;  
few persons look more robust than she. All send  
their love to you. -

In our parochial and Church affairs we have been  
quite blessed beyond example; but one death, during  
the last year, has happened within our parish. - We  
have had great harmony and friendship among us,  
and considerable accession to our numbers.

Pray remember us to all our friends and relations in  
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Mr O. Chase }

Your affectionate Brother  
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