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Hartford Nov 18th 1816.

K. Ch. 161113

My dear Brother,

I am sorry that Mr. J. Ward the bearer of this does not go thro' Plain^{field}; but as he has kindly offered to call for a letter I will hazard the writing a few lines in hopes they will reach you, even from Woodstock, before you start for Washington.

George returned in good health and spirits from visiting you, delighted with his visit and full of hope.

The failure in my expectations of receiving a thousand Dollars from you by way of Coar^{se} will not be attended with those disagreeable consequences I had expected. The receipt of a small sum from Kent^{on} leaves me just me on my legs again for a little while; & I believe I can walk a lone say for six months longer. By that time the probability there will be some changes in my circumstances.

Whitender, not much, has informed you ere this, of his entering the Junior Class at Cambridge and of his doing well.

The little Boy Dudley is a novel sub. We long for the time when you will set off his incomparable qualities - Pray start two or three days earlier than necessary to reach Wash^{ington} put in time, in or to spend some little time with us at Hartford & Geo: at New Haven. I have

much to say to you; which I don't think proper
to commit to paper. Don't think how-
ever that I mean to trouble you with requests for
money. The request which I made you by George has
given me more pain than, I believe, it did you.
Please. I beg you to forget it if possible and be-
lieve it never shall be repeated.

All the family are in very good health and
often mention you with great affection —
So mention me kindly to Mrs Chap your dear
wife and if possible bring her along with you.
My wife is full of plans and schemes and wants
Oliver's advice.

If Col: Ward should by chance go
round to Randolph — pray for my sake, use him
kindly. He is & ever has been my particular
friend.

Your loving brother
P. Chap

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To Mrs

The Hon. Dudley Chase
By Col. Ward,
Randolph
Vermont

Shelburne Vt
Nov-13th 1816