

Philander Chase Letters

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Letter to Dudley Chase

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Philadelphia Sep^r 4th 1838

My dear Brother Dudley:

I arrived here last night and found my old & dear Friends Mr & Mrs Paul Burk still living, and in good health and glad to see me.

You know the errand which brings me here 12 or 1500 miles from my poor home & manifold & pressing duties at the far west. That is of an imperious nature to attend the General Convention of our Church & to plead the cause of my poor neglected Diocese.

To go further than this I am not permitted by Providence. — Would that it were possible that I could see you & our other dear relatives in Vermont & N. Hampshire: but my duty to the dear ones left behind & to the

Church there forbids it. I must return immediately after the Convention which I think will be in session about 10 days. Perhaps I may go on to N. York to settle some pecuniary business there but no further. I shall be in that city perhaps but a few hours.

• Will you not let me hear from you while I am here? - If I dare to say so - O that I could see you and dear Olivea my old and best friend and sister while I stay in Phila -

But of this let God dispose. If you come, come immediately for one always loves you more than tongue can tell or words express.

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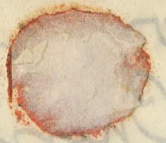
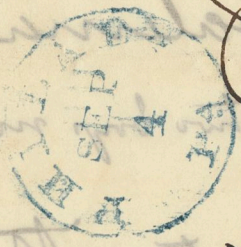
P. S. I left Dudley on my way hither, at
Cyprus; and Mary our only Daughter Mary
at Steubenville Ohio with her dear Cousin
In the p^rid More and his dear wife & my dear
Mr Phil^r's widow and my lovely grand
daughter the only child of him who is
now a saint in Heaven whom you
once so much loved & so tenderly
cherished under your paternal
roof - Mr C. my wife & the two boys now men are the
Robin Nest - hand at work.

Shall all this out with the eye
of affectionate remembrance and
with me shed a tear on the Past &
look forward to the bright future when
we shall all meet in eternal joy.

Book of Hours
Sept. 4. 1838
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Handwritten signature in red ink
Mrs. Dudley Chase

Randolph
Vermont



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