Buffalo Nov 18th 1864.

Dear Mill,

You know that when are turned over first that they generally turn back again but the next time that they are turned they stay better.

Today is the coldest day we have had yet. The thermometer at eight o'clocck stood 30°. Friday and Saturday were both snowy days but not very cold. Saturday morning I drove the colt and Charley out to the flats with Father and another gentleman in the Carriage the colt is just as quiet as can be and yet he can go. He keeps ahead of Charley in the harness just as Charlie does Fanny.

Election is past, and the people have shown themselves to be what true Americans always were and always will be. True to their country and true to their Government. I must be a
proud moment to our noble president, Abraham Lincoln, when he feels that the people support him and bless him in all the deeds he has done to bring back to the people of these United States the union restored on a former basis than ever before.

And it must be a sorrowful moment for Gen. B. McDowell when he feels that he had once a chance to make himself a name second only to Washington, but that power he cast away when he allowed himself to fall into the hands of politicians.

And Seymour Roosevelt feel cheap when he sees that the Empire State has repudiated him and his party is spilt in the most wicked invention ever got up to defraud our noble soldiers (both dead and living) of the right to vote the cause they are fighting for, and have been fighting for, but they have not and will never succeed.

Father left for New York last night for a few days we expect him back Thursday or Friday at the latest.

Mother will fill this out.

Yours Affectionate Brother.

Bryant.

Your father gave me this draft to send you — he has gone rather suddenly to Albany to attend to some matters of business which required his presence & to purchase some Christmas goods — I had a great mind to go with him to surprise you with a visit —

Dr. Black had another painting fit on Friday — without the slightest warning — it is hardly three weeks since he had one last — I feel that it is entirely unsafe for him to go out, or be left alone — still he seems cheerful & happy most of the time — Bryant has not told you that he has received his first formal invitation to a party — Mrs. Fillmore — next Thursday evening he will probably go with Anna —

Brett