New York June 5th/89.

Col¹ W^m P. Johnston Dear Col¹

I should have answered your last of May 23^d had I been a<u>bl</u>e, but have been quite an invalid, with nervous exhaustion and prostration. I dont know what I should do, if I was not with such a kind attentive hostess, and had such a dear friend in the house. I was pained to read what you wrote of our mutual friend D^r R'^{son}, it is so sad to see the decline of such men, so hard to be spared.— I was glad my letter cheered you after your visit to the D^r. Mrs R'son's last letter to me told

me her sad fore-bodings. Our mutual friend Mr B. C. W. is <u>so</u> interested in the H.S.N.M. Col^{ge}, anything you write about it I send to him to read. I dont know if I have forgotten to write you, M^r H.K. Pomroy, the h<u>ead</u> of 'Pomroy Brothers' Bankers and Brokers' — has asked me to write you, "at any time he can do anything for you, he should be most happy to serve you." If I have not written you this before please pardon my neglect; how very gratifying was your cup from your long true friend. I have just received a telegram from Mr. J. S. Zacharie of the death of his mother. Our weather is lovely. Mr B.C. W &self are delighted you are coming to the P.E. Convention, with love to all, & best wishes for yrself, as ever truly [written vertically along right margin] Jo. L N --