589 West 145th Street, H^e of Rev John Chamberlain D.D. New York Nov 4th/99.

My dear friend,

Our sweet Christian friend wrote you, of her kindly given us a lovely home, & now bids me ask you if you will come with Mr P—, and take lunch with us Thursday the n<u>in</u>th. I have not received the Circular of the "Southern Exposition" you wrote to me, to have my n<u>ame</u> for; & did not write you at once of our return, as Mrs C, having had illness in her family, her house was all in disorder, with painters, & cleaners, and putting down carpets, & curtains up, I could not write you to c<u>ome</u> in such confusion; my health & strength are too poor, to go to a Hotel & Mrs C. kindly took us, & is u<u>ntiring</u> in her care & devotion & attention to me, & is such a Christian, loving, comfortable home, with only o<u>n</u>e objection,^x which is corrected by the pure air & lovely river, that I never tire of looking at. I do hope your dear husband and self, have had a pleasant Summer and Fall with good health, & the news from your Sister is all you desire to hear; with the regards of t<u>his</u> family & Mr C's to you and Mr P—, my love from as ever

Jo. L Newcomb.

^x the distance

To Mrs. Putnam, no envelope