

39 Broad St,                    N Y. April 16<sup>th</sup>/88

Dear D<sup>r</sup> P—

I have your two letters of Mid Lent and April 9<sup>th</sup>, but truly have not been able to reply to the first, before you very kindly wrote me again. On the 22<sup>d</sup> of March, I lost my true friend and wise counsellor M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> H. Pomroy, after five days illness with pneumonia, a great loss to me, alone and desolate as I am. I was hoping to go to N.O. the first week in March, as I had completed all my work for the "H. S. N. M. College." Then I was going thro such a trying ordeal, from Oct 15<sup>th</sup>/87 to March 1<sup>st</sup>/88. how often I did wish, for your words of comfort & sympathy. I read carefully your Lenten Order of Services, & do hope it had the influence you so desired. I am glad M<sup>rs</sup> O. Biern her sister & Miss Sallie were often present. M<sup>rs</sup> McKim's death was very sad. I do hope D<sup>r</sup> Richardson's trip to Florida improves his health. I had a sweet letter from Miss S. Randolph, she finds it very strange, as you have always been so kind & social with her, your wife has never called upon her. It was truly good, to write me, so soon, after your release & relief from your Lenten duties. I am pained to hear the death of your niece, & the illness of your only Sister, I do pray ere this, you have been comforted by good news. I do not know M<sup>r</sup> Carlton Hunt, did you hear any rumors of the Baroness Von A & Gen<sup>l</sup> Miles?— You must have had the entire family in N.O. the ['brace'?'?] ought to have been with them. I was so in hopes you would have offered your services, to assist the Bishop in the "Memorial Services" of the "H.S.N.M. College," and fully intended to write to you, but felt a delicacy in doing so. I am glad you heard it all from the Bishop. I should liked to have seen Annie and Mary confirmed. I am pained to hear you dear wife had has such a hard winter.—it is well she is so cheerful, it is so helpful. Please return my love to her, Miss G, & to Anne & Mary with a kiss.

very truly & sincerely  
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