

Louisville, Ky. April 7th 1853.

My dear friend —

Your kind favor of the 2^d inst. reached me this morning. It was written, of course, before the receipt of several communications with which I have recently troubled you, in relation to a box full of packages for different persons. Before this reaches you I trust that the box itself, ^{by Express,} as well as three letters by mail, will have gotten safely to your hands. In one of the letters I desired you to send me by Express (admon^{ss}) whatever you may have intended for me out of the Berlandier collection. If you have not already done so, I now repeat that request, with a request ^{also} that you will have the box directed to W. Allen Richardson, Louisville, Ky. W. R. is my son-in-law, resides in Louisville, where he is engaged in business, and will take charge of the box on its arrival.

I congratulate you on having cleaned out the auction stable — I fear you found a great deal of trash hardly fit for the litter of a decent house — what a shame that a fellow enjoying Berlandier opportunities had not made a better use of his time! — But Tobacco, strong drinks, cards and women have been the ruin of many a better man — very truly and respectfully yours

C. L. Short.

C.W.S.

Leave for me some books. —
of dollars off the subscription, in the good sum and send them and
if it is more than two years from the date. — Postage &c. to be made
by express, the postage to good books for the Library, as soon as old books are sent,
of which there are to be no more than

P.S.



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