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~~proceeding of an extraordinary amount of
the director has fully under the
fit or suitable person have been~~

~~Duncan starting is not coming this year~~
I have some idea of completing my
university-course and will you please
do this business for me, send to Chicago
for Loomis' University-Astronomy &
for Smith's Differential & Integral Calculus
with these pack up my Loomis Algebra
and Geometry and Smith's Analytical
Geometry also Loomis Trigonometry
I think that you will find all of these
last-mentioned books in your parlor
send all by express, The money will
in my favor after buying those two books
place in a letter, & send by express if John
Reid can add five or ten dollars without
embarrassing himself, ask him to
do so, buy Canada currency if you can
Tell father Sarah that I am waiting
for his letter and photograph I bid
Good bye my love to all John

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~~From in glad to hear of your obtaining
a copy of the book and sends her love
as usual, I am~~

Javots-Mills Oct-23^d/63

Dear brother & sister -
I am before you again, in haste
as usual with another letter, My
notions hadstead has just re-
turned me to this busy wakeful
world, and I suppose that the
dull god still holds the fivefold
family of Galloway. And as you are
blest with another daughter, I trust
that she and her dear mother are
well, What is to be her name, Not-
Dau's favorite I hope viz. Patuckina
what does she seem to think of life,
what are George's observations on
the matter, Well Daniel verily
you must be a happiest-man -
happy when Anna was bestowed,
happier with Georgie, & happiest
with the little anonymous one

~~it is understood that your children~~
~~are mixed with people's wheat~~
 in your last. Here is a present
 of Canadian muses for her, I trust
 that she will be a lover of nature like
 her mother, if ev she will perhaps
 some day realize the value of the gift
 which has cost me more labor than
 the uninitiated can readily think
 of - these are the first specimens
 that I have analyzed of the diffi-
 cult order "Musci".

Dear Sister - I do most warmly con-
 gratulate you on this joyous occasion
 of the advent of another Miss Galloway
 May she be spared to comfort yourself
 and others, I often wish that I
 could write more & oftener to you
 but - I know that you will excuse
 me I have to do two or three times

as much as I should - enough to
 set one crazy, but - my heart is
 with my Wil and though not
 in robust health I make out to
 keep above water, I was glad to
 hear from you, I rec'd Daniels letter
 a few days ago I am glad to hear
 that you are doing so well, ^(Daisy) you are
 well qualified for the situation you
 occupy, I trust that you will be
 successful that you may be able to do
 for the loved ones of your home as
 I know you would wish to do,
 I rec'd a letter from Mary & from
 Anna, also a long and interesting one
 from Joanna, I am too glad to see one
 brim full of just such news about you
 all as suited me, All of these I hope to
 answer some day, I rec'd one from
 D. Minn too, please tell him that