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11. [?] to Robert A. Cousin. 16 June 1836. [?] ^{1/2}
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To
George W. Southall Esquire
Attorney at Law
Williamsburg
Virginia

Per Mail No

P. A. Southall
5 July 36

W. J. Hoops of New Boston
Boston 5th July 1836

My dearest Brother,

Thy is the first I have heard that
I have been able to find, since my arrival here, to write
you, and altho' it is now ten o'clock in the morning, yet I
have determined to write you a few lines, to inform you
that I am well, but much worn out with fatigue & la-
bour, having been constantly engaged day & night in pre-
paring the ship for sea, which thank God I have but
ly nearly completed, altho' I have had but a very short time
to do it in. I am much pleased with both Quincy & the
Officers & have every prospect of a profitable & pleasant
voyage. The thing that I have had in, when I was out
will give me a profit of about \$2000 if not more &
you may depend upon it, I shall leave no stone un-
turned to make up for lost time, so I shall always keep in mind
& regularly show the proceeds which I make to you and
writing you. When this board you may implicitly
rely, for I am fully determined the Quicer, by show up =

application & attention to my business & the practice of economy
to endeavor to please myself in independent circumstances,
for I feel the necessity of doing so & therefore shall do every
thing in my power to accomplish that object. I have
procured a first rate steamer, a man who is well acquainted
with the business, is sober, steady & industrious, and by keep-
ing a strict watch over him, will no doubt procure a satis-
fying acquisition to me. Capt. Buckley has insisted upon
my departing with in the Autumn, which I have consented
to do, as it will afford me the opportunity of being more
private & consequently of attending better to my business,
unless upon the whole I am much pleased with the prospect de-
fore me. As I have not time at present to write mamma, I must
thank you to tell her, that I intend to see Chickering to day
upon the subject of exchanging her share. He says that if it
cost \$300 he will allow her \$250, or if more, in proportion to the
exchange of one of his last which on my speculation cost \$600.
If she wishes she can send the old one or purchase a new one, which
she promises to make to please her. He says that any arrangement
she makes will do well at Norfolk, as he goes, will do nothing
tong to him & intend to communicate. If I can find time I
shall write her like mother's of our returning from Providence

Give my love to my dear Wife & tell her that I have received her most
affectionate letter of the 31st Uls. & will endeavor to answer it soon.
I shall depend upon you my dearest Brother to talk good sense
of her during my absence & I trust that soon or later I may
have it in my power to repay you for all your Brotherly love &
kindness so often since I turned me. I sincerely trust that ere this
you have received your usual health & hope you will not refuse
I myself, more than you can help. I wish that I had it in
my power to send you a few lines from the place,
as I think they have the finest here, I have ever seen
in my life. They had a great exhibition of the 17th Nov
but I was so busily engaged, that I saw none of it.
The shall probably visit in a few days & shall proceed direct to
Providence where I hope to hear from you my dear Brother.
Write me frequently, as I shall do, giving me all the news, which
will always be interesting as well as afford me much pleasure.
And now my dear Brother, with my most affectionate love to
Catherine, Mamma, my dear Wife, Miss, & all your friends & the hope
of hearing from you very soon at Providence, I bid you good
Morning, & subscribe myself your ever affectionate Brother
& devoted friend
Eugene A. Southwell