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Flemington, N.J. [*New Jersey*]
Apr. 8, 1865.

Dear cousin John,

I often think of your visit to Connecticut a few years ago. I enjoyed it very much and remember it with a great deal of pleasure -- but I sometimes think that perhaps it was not so agreeable to you as you have never fulfilled your promise to write me.

Do you recollect what a time we had with my gun? I never think of you but that comes into my mind. Have you been gunning since? -- if so, I hope you had better luck getting started that we did.

I suppose you have heard that our old place was sold sometime ago. Since then I have spent most of the time when out of school, at Grandfathers. Since last Oct. I have been at my Aunt Mary Hill's attending school, and shall perhaps remain here through the summer.

I do not consider the school in New Jersey superior to those in New England, though I think the school here a very good one. Our teacher is a Massachusetts man, a graduate of Amherst College.

I have rather enjoyed study this winter. Latin I like very well and should like it still better if I could translate with more facility. I suppose you can translate quite rapidly as I hear you are nearly prepared for College.

It is now the fore part of Apr. but the season is farther advanced here than in Conn. [*Connecticut*] Father says that a few days since the snow drifts had not disappeared in that region, while here the roads are settled & <*in places*> the grass has grown considerably -- the wheat fields are green and beautiful, & the leaf buds are swelling on the trees.

Hope I shall see you when you come to Yale. In the mean time I shall expect to hear from you. Do not fail to write soon. Direct to the care of Wm. [*William*] Hill Flemington N.J. [*New Jersey*]

Your aff. [*affectionate*] cousin,
E.B. Grant.

P.S. Abbie has been here for a while and says she will <*expect*> write to you soon.

What glorious war news we are having!

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