

Henry Clay Jr. to his father

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My dear Father

I have today received your letter of the 24th. On my arrival here a week ago I went to Mr McElvaine's warehouse but could get no information of the trunk about which you wished me to inquire. Today I saw Mr McElvaine himself. He thinks that it is probably at his warehouse at Portland. He says that he will inquire and let me know.

On my own account I am sorry to learn that you start so soon for Washington, but I think that you will find it much more pleasant now than hereafter. Please to tell Mr Owen that the cholera has so far abated in New Orleans that Manuel White has written to his son-in-law that he may ~~come~~ go down with safety.

In regard to myself I am now perfectly happy. I am united to a lady who possesses my entire love and veneration, and who returns me in over-measure the affection to which I am entitled. We are not rich, but it will be a source of pleasurable occupation to become so. Like all young men of ambition and aspiring tempaments, the mere possibility