Saturday Niagara Falls 9 o'clock A.M.

Dear Sir,

I wrote a line yesterday in great haste to Sacy saying that we were
far too late for the Lockport cars & would be delayed a day - I also stated that the news was that the Navy Blunders, would attempt an
invasion of Canada last night - you will have
heard all about this raft transaction on this arrival.

I walked with the Commanding General all the way
to Rensselaer last evening. It was a beautiful evening.
I had a good view of the cannonading at Schlosser
upon Mary Island. The General says it was the
most brisk firing that has happened since the
war began. We could see the shells issue
from the guns & trace them all the way
in their parabolic curve, until they
stutter & exploded in the air or on the
island. The sound that whistled
serenely among the trees & skittered upon the
water. There were three hundred or more
wagons assembled at Schlosser & the Steamboat
folks were mute on the subject of their business.
Van Rensselaer declared to his friends how
that he expected steamboats down from Buffalo
in which he intended to embark his munitions
of War & that the men unarmed would land
& ride up the river probably to make a landing
some where up the river.
I am returning to the subject which was sent to Buffalo & I should have recommeded earlier to have been sent after we aquired that it was untimely that they were landing at Sydney if I had the opportunity to do so with it. It would not have prevented the alarm at Buffalo however as it was within two hours after the first epiphany I think it is all for the best however as it will show the world that our people will support the laws with the disappoiment I feared of the civil war from Canada I hope will bring the situation to their senses & perhaps we will now be united without blood shed without incurring any considerable consequences if and invasion of Canada & be prohibitory sufficient. We can not continue to remain for this attacks from great distances. But the time affairs on the island are discouraging & many are disposed to get out of the scott. I can relate some particulars when I see you you can readily conceive how well the plan was of departing last night. Some sentries to require weapons to carry them of several miles to secure the liability of such a requisition in publishing their plans - which obvioues was preparate to take advantage of - I then again had to go to sea through on the ill star decided from their course - the epander of their boat as the cause on both sides in the masts at Black Rock

I have just talked with a man & his wife from Toronto day before yesterday. They were obliged to leave because the man would not take of arms. They talk loud about the towns in canadas I hope the king will decide. This think the war is not begun yet. They think there are forces enough at home to revolutionize without the help of the free people, that the towns secure vengeance on buffalo. We I think probably go to Buffalo today & I hope I may get home on Monday or Tuesday. Keep all comfortable among our friends.

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By Mr. H. Pratt Esq.

16 Oct

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Best respects,

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