

Please accept
mom thanks for
the book.

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Geo. P. Marsh Esqr
Dear Sir

I returned from a few weeks stay in Baltimore where I have been trying to scrape together a little of the "filthy lucre," a few days since and found your letter here. We are all glad to know that you "still live". As for Mrs M the photograph shows that she still lives and lives full as well as before she left. It ought to be a horrid matter for any one to say the picture does not look well. Our matters here go along much as usual.

I think we are getting up a little in the world at our house for the street Commissioner has lowered the sidewalk and street around our house a foot or two leaving us up in the air and the walks in an abominable state for now they are all soft sand. I recd your book just before I left home but have not had time to look at it. Mother is reading it I believe and has found out her part, quite a small one I think. In last evening N.Y. Times there is a long and quite favorable notice of it and I have before seen notices in the Tribune