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I do not know but that Valentine and Jack  
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at Kents Hill School.

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enough about Grammar. I am a beautiful old  
creature as you ever did saw. next week I shall  
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and the School becomes more and more interesting.  
A Loco Foco Student <sup>from N. York</sup> the other day challenged  
another Student to fight a duel but a complaint  
was made to Mr Allen and it was stopped.  
Last night we had a heavy rain, and Today  
the wind has blown out of all reason. Jack  
and James Jewett went up to the Post office  
and the wind came near blowing Jack away  
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go at W. Give my respects to all the friends  
and take a good lot to yourself for whom they are  
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