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Description: Kiah Sewall request to correspond with Lucretia Day

New York. Jan. 15. 1835.

Miss Lucretia Day.

I have inclosed this in a letter to your father & if you receive it I presume I have you parents' permission to address you. If this course is not pleasing to you, I hope sincerely you will excuse it – it was the only one that appeared proper to me.

I regret, Miss Day, that I have been so little in your Society, & the more, because I have formed so high an opinion of your character. I wish I knew you better, & I write not only to tell you of this, but to request the favor of a correspondence —

Situated as I am, this is the only means of our becoming better acquainted. — Will it be agree -able, Miss Day, to you? – Your answer will determine – & I await it with no small digree of impatience — If it be your pleasure to listen to this proposition, you will regard me in no other light than that of a suitor. I should even now put trouble you with a question more direct, but circumstances forbid – It would be neither just to yourself nor to me — But forgive this long letter I should

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have con fined myself to fewer words — It is enough, however, that you understand me – I leave the event at your disposal, & whatever it may be – I trust in your integrity to do me justice & honor my intentions –

If the proposal of a correspondence be agreeable to you, you will please answer this as soon as it is convenient.

Believe me, Miss Day, your Sincere friend And Obt. Svt. K.B. Sewall

P.S. This is intended for no eye but <u>your own</u> – if you can not reciprocate my Sentiments — Burn it!! — K.B.Se—