

Sunday night, 1/2 eight.

Naval Asylum

Philadelphia Oct

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Dearest Mamma.

Your welcome letter of Octr. 27th I received on Tuesday morning, before I was out of bed; or that is, Mrs Lealie had to knock us up to give it us. we were very glad to hear from you as we had been wondering why you had not written.

We have had splendid weather since we have been here. it rained to day the first time: we could not go out in the City to church so May and I attended Church in the house. there is a fine large room fitted up as a chapel for the old men. They have a nice organ. There was only