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and let me tell you when I give up that which I profess for you it will be with infinite pain and sorrow (but may the almighty ever avert such a change in our affections) your happiness & welfare I have much at heart and I hope I may see the day that you will bless a man every way calculated to make happy in this precarious world, with your hand & heart — you desire me to let you know when the second wedding is to take place, some time next month about the twenty fifth I understand, when I also hope for the pleasure of seeing my sister give her hand to a man that I believe she doats on but I cannot say whether I will or not but if we are not at the ceremony it will not be my fault — we go to Philadelphia on Saturday next if you have any commission you wish executed there or any of your good family, I will with the utmost pleasure take charge of them if you will only let me know — I am sorry I cannot give you any certain information with regard to Mrs & Mr Rop such a report is current here, but I am not in the secret, nor is his Mother if it is so; perhaps my next letter may be able to inform you — did you deliver my message to Mr Q — give my best love to every body round your neighbourhood — with much to your dear Mamma Papa & Sister I am yours truly

W R Ringgold

P S You shall hear from me again soon and I rely on your kindly to excuse this scrawl — for in great hurry I am your affectionate Cousin. W R

Maria [Cadwalader] Ringgold

W R is just come up and desires me to give you half a dozen Kisses —