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Dear Mother

I received your letter pay of Dr Smith I am very sorry to find Mrs Reid has left Rumsey Mede I will get my clothes made here, as it will be much cheaper, I suppose I will get Nankeen The girls intend sending some shirts home, which you will please have made as quick as possible, the one I have on now never can go on again & I am afraid I will be put to one per we[illegible] before I get my others. Please to send me [illegible] Flute & music Book, which I left in the d[illegible] under the bureau, I saw the Books of [illegible] & Ellen & think they are improving very [illegible] Mrs Grimshaw says Ellen can write a good letter for she writes her one every day for composition. But Mr Grimshaw wrote one for a copy to Ann but she says there are too many big words in it. Ellen's letters are quite flowry. I was sick for one day since I came Give my love to Uncle & all the family

I remain your Dutiful & affectionate son

Bernie

Please to send me my old Coat to wear in school

order kept in this school, so bitter that the boys put dead cats in Mr Reynolds's desk & print D A R on his desk in large characters. I think he is a pretty able Mathematician but he is the proudest & vainest man I ever saw as to his knowledge. I want my French Telemaque sent me I remain your affectionate son

Bernie

I have commenced Navigation & we have the use & explanation of the Globes & Maps every Saturday If you want any Nankeens I can buy them for you at auction from $1 a 1.25. I suppose 75 cents cheaper than with you 5 pieces is the least number I can buy