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66 PINE ST.

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Elias Carr Esq

My dear Sir

Yrs of 15<sup>th</sup>. I enclosed to W<sup>m</sup> and he has just returned it to me, If I was of any service to "your Boy" God knows it was a pleasure, only regret I could not have done more, he looked play'd out and seemed to need rest, When I visit N. C. probably in May the Pushers may rely on the modest request of \$20, if needed prior advance it and write so we may credit you, should I not think of it when I come remind me, William writes with the best kind of promises Oh how I hope they may be kept, how he has written you at last and beyond satisfaction, I regret his delay in not being more prompt, Your kindness to him has been great and by me appreciated,

I am now furnishing the Service, without being vain, I think when you and Mr C visit him you will say I have done all a Father could do, I need not say the pleasure it will give him (he has a big heart) to welcome you<sup>+ Mr C</sup> to his home,

Brother Ad is poorly and I fear will never again be himself, to be plain I fear the worst, Your Orders will be carefully look'd to, but altho L Paul is much better the infernal Bears on an advance there sold the market down here, don't hope they will be severely punished & Mr B only tolerable, The excitement of Bulls outfit keeps her up. In haste  
Yrs Truly — J. T. Bruce