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Mr. John Lefferts

Hempstead

Long Island

24<sup>th</sup> June



Dear Brother,  
I rec<sup>d</sup>. Yours together, <sup>with</sup> several other friendly  
Letters last fall and as nothing new had happened I  
have delayed writing till now when I have to inform  
you that I have sold my possessions here to Mr.  
Henry M. Cooke who is appointed Collector for the  
Port of Beaufort in the room of Mr. Brian Hellen  
who resigned and, <sup>as</sup> Mr. Cooke is an intimate acquain-  
-tance of mine and has an agreeable wife and  
but one child and I am particularly attached  
to the pleasant situation which I have enjoyed  
for 10 years past I have agreed to continue as a  
boarder with Mr. Cooke during pleasure, I have  
also sold my furniture and what goods I had on hand  
at auction so that I am now quite disengaged from  
business so that it is remarked here that I have  
set the singular example of making my Will and  
executing of it in a great measure in my lifetime  
and in a state of health. Under existing circumstan-  
-ces if health and strength is continued possibly I may  
attempt to make you a visit next summer, but at  
my advanced stage of life I dare not venture to  
say that it is very probable altho' I have a very great  
desire to see you all once more and take an affectionate  
farewell before the Curtain falls that will put a final  
end to our friendly correspondence. I send this by  
a Capt<sup>n</sup>. Rumbley of this place who I expect will not  
leave New York in less than 10 days after his arrival  
I therefore hope it will be in your power to forward  
a Letter as I am very desirous of hearing from you.



For further particulars I refer you to Betsy's  
letter and as I do not recollect any thing more  
worth relating I only request you to remember  
me to all relations and inquiring friends -  
and remain as ever your affectionate brother

Beaufort Apr. 16th 1855 -

Saml. Leffers

