

Washington City
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Mary,

It is now Tuesday evening and I have rec^d no letter from home for some time past and I did not write last Sunday mainly on that account. We have had no visit from the north since last Saturday evening, as I understand to ^{the} impassable condition of the Susquehanna River at Havre de Grace, being blocked up with ice.

All here is going on very quietly and very little show. The east room has been opened but our evening this winter. Our boarding house is very quiet also. The lady of Dr. Pines, Mrs. Rockwell of Connecticut constitutes our lady but Mrs. Nichol of New York is expected tomorrow. Some rooms are taken for the visitors who are coming to the inauguration of Gen. Taylor. Here I cannot but remark that I was annoyed this morning by seeing in the Intelligencer of this day among a long list of names of Managers for the Inauguration