

George Fearing Hollis Papers

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I guess I will send my love
in return. though you
did hesitate about
sending yours till you had
asked Mr Mason what
she thought - about - it

Newport, R. I., July 5, 1879.

M.....
Yourself and
family are respectfully invited on board
the Schooner Young America, to wit-
ness the Sub-marine Race at 1.30 p. m.,
July 4th.

The Schooner lies alongside of
Commercial Wharf.

John Waters,

Of the Committee on 4th of July.

Thursday C. No.

Dear Husband

Strictly after mailing
your letter last night Georgie
and I proceeded to the house
of a friend almost opposite the
U. S. Hotel and saw the Regt.
pass. It was a grand sight. The
Hotels were illuminated, and
Crockets were thrown up, and the
red & blue lights were all
along the line, on the streets.
Salute after salute were fired
from the wharf after the Regt.
boarded the steamer. After they
had passed Georgie & I scoured
up St. and finally met two
gentlemen whom Georgie knew
and after chatting awhile with
them, brought us in an Ice
Cream Saloon where we
refreshed ourselves on some of
that rich Ice Cream. Such

as we had here on the 4th
While in the Saloon we learned
that Annie Neale had
been there and bought ^{cream} 1 qt.
to take home. So Georgie & I
said to ourselves we would let
on that we have had a qt. so
on reaching home we had another
dish. And it was just as good
as the first, wish you could have
had some. But I suppose you
are refreshing yourself on the gaze
of the fascinating Mrs Mason,
and her flowery language, and
as you do not express any special
desire to have me return Sat.
I think I may remain over,
which will afford you an
opportunity to enjoy any company
you please. So if you wish you
can notify your friends, and if any
one asks where I am, tell them I am
making the acquaintance of the
Newporters. I have had an
invitation to go out sailing, but

that I declined doing as I am too
much afraid of Sail Boats and the
water, However I may be over
persuaded, Will tell you in my
next, whether or not, I sailed

George's note you see is rather
insinuating, But I guess you know
by this time that my head is not-
easily turned, by the attentions of any
one, Even though they are Newporters,
To be sure I have had no experience
with them heretofore, But I feel quite
safe, in my own strength, though I am
a left behind wife, and at their
mercy, Many thanks for your
good wishes for me, I cant but
enjoy myself when so much
attention is paid me of course, which
I confess there is no lack of, But
I am never reminded of the fact-
that I am your wife
Louise

Love from Aunt - C. She says tell
you she carries her umbrella as usual