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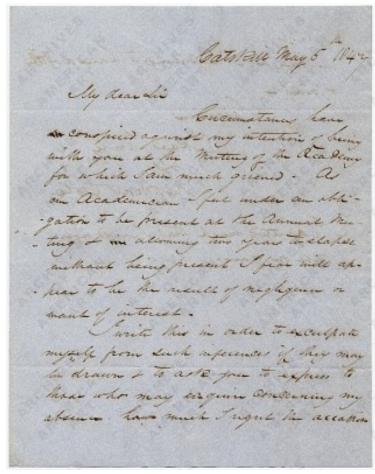
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## Catskill May 5th 1847

My dear Sir

Circumstances have conspired against my intention of being with you at the Meeting of the Academy for which I am much grieved. As an Academician I feel under an obligation to be present at the Annual Meeting + allowing two years to elapse without being present I fear will appear to be the result of negligence or want of interest.

I write this in order to exculpate myself from such inferences if they may be drawn + to ask you to express to those who may enquire concerning my absence how much I regret the occassion.



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