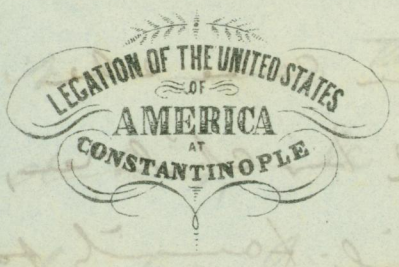


U. S. Legation Constantinople

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Mr. Mr. Lambert



Bar De Hill
Athens



To
Rev. Dr. Hill }

Constantinople Sept 2nd 1854

My dear Sir

Mrs Ames wrote from Athens to Mrs Spence, speaking in high terms of a school under the charge of Mrs Baldwin. As I have some idea of sending my children to school, I desire some information relative to the school of which Mrs

Ames spoke.

Will you be so kind as to inform me, what is its course of instruction, its terms, the things necessary to be procured for the children, previous to their entrance? Will you be so kind as to let me know what month they are regarded as unhealthy in Athens, and whether all fevers cease in October?

As it is my intention, should I conclude upon sending my children to school at Athens, to proceed thence to Marseilles to procure furniture for my house, Mrs

Spencer desires me to ask you, whether in case she
desires to stay a month or two, with her children,
she could procure lodgings in a private family for
herself and maid servant. She thinks she would
prefer remaining in Athens near her children to
staying in Constantinople during my absence
from it. I hope I do not trouble you too much
by requesting information on the above subjects.

Yours very respectfully
Caroline Spencer

My children are small and delicate. They have
never been a month from their mother and
have always been much indulged. They know
little about taking care of themselves. On this
account, I feel desirous of consigning them to
the care of some lady, who will treat them with
that kind of care, to which they have ever been
accustomed, but at the same time, with that
decision and maternal authority, which while

It renders them obedient in the performance of their
duties, will not destroy that buoyancy and
elasticity of feeling, which in my opinion is the
most beautiful characteristic of childhood.