

wander beyond the precincts of
home Edward is living with
us, and has already won the
second place in my heart. —
Beware of the Spanish cypresses
I am rather inclined to put
my veto against them, I hope
you will not permit your
unsophisticated affections to be
trifled with, though the substantial
qualities you speak of their
passage greatly enhances them
in my opinion, and entitles them
to some consideration.

Write often we are always glad
to hear from you, and I will take
pleasure in replying faithfully.
Henry sends his love and will
write in a few days again.

Your devoted sister
Mary E. Edwin

Washington Con. Mills
Jan 4th

Dear Eugene
The reception of
your kind letter a few
days since gave me great
pleasure, indeed since my
marriage you have so often
been the sole occupant of
my thoughts, that I have
repeatedly determined to write
and tell you so, but the idea
that I might not be remembered
entirely deterred me from
doing that ^{which} my inclination
prompted; you do injustice to
your many devoted friends in
supposing yourself forgotten