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My dear friend,

I thank the ^{pupils} and
they ~~parents~~ in the Gravena School
for the kind letter, and the warmth
you send me. I am afraid I do
not deserve the laurels but I
am none the less grateful for
this expression of your love and
good will. If you have found
in my writing anything which

will try to make you love
good men, and hate the wrong,
and lead you to be kind and
obedient, and faithful to
duty. I shall be very glad,
with love to you all I
am thy friend

John G. Whittier