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1435 F. street N.W. Sat evening July 23

My precious Wife

I arrived safely & comfortably about 10 P.M. yesterday and found Hannah & Tyson still at home watching a torch light firemans parade which was passing at the moment. Hannah has succeeded in getting a nurse and returns to Olney on Monday for two weeks or three after which she designs returning to Chester. We met a medical party & did not reach home till after midnight. We sat talking till then, & retired soon after. I find Mary Anne, who lives at Balt is still out of a situation. If the woman from Balt. does not go to Mary let me know at once & I will try her again. If you can only get her to stay six or eight months I shall be thankful to have her. I have thought much of you & dear Mary on my journey to Philadelphia and during the night, and think that when I am going yet to Virginia you or she could accompany him and make a visit to Fanny. Would it not afford a relaxation to you both & you would find the children less in the way there than at any other place to which you could take them. You might stop also at Wallbrook. As we thought I was obliged to pass through Balt without seeing Galloway who had gone out before I reached, and

18 months or two years through which we have passed. "Hitherto the Lord has helped us" ~~let~~ us show forth His praise.

Hannah tells me Allen was to have been married last evening & go to Balt by the night train. So that I shall not be able to see her nor to send you anything by her. Many have made a thought that fills her thoughts the new scenes on which she is about to enter. I suppose it is hardly likely that I shall be able to get home before the time that Mr. (I forget the names of the overseer at Johns) mentioned his brother in law would be at his house. We are not committed to them in any way. They will go to Long Neck. H.M.M. must see them and talk to them and if he thinks right consult James (brother) about it. and either employ him at a salary, rent him a part of the farm either on shares or for money rent, or let him go without any arrangement, as he & you think best after seeing him and talking the matter over with him. - Tell Herman to have a Corn house built at once. He can employ either Charles Hobbs or John Carroll or any other Carpenter he pleases, but the frame should be got out now & the house put up at once to be ready for the Crop. I believe our resources now are such as will justify the expense without regard to the present Crop - It must be done with time to dew M.A.M. I learn that all our children here are well.

Your off. husband
Caspar Morris