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SIDE ONE

17th Evening

I have just returned from Cousin Emily's where I took tea & in my room on the Lord's day evening. It is you know at times when I am full as much as case as any Earthly one can feel. The and Martha deserve their love & yet, I called on my way at Chestons where I found Galloway seated quietly with his brother and sister having got that far on his way home. He had taken tea with Israel & Annie & reports them all well. Thus you see my dear wife I can make a pleasant report of myself and all our relatives here, and now commending you & those dear one with you, & myself & those just returned here, to the gracious care of our Loving & merciful Father in Heaven I shall shortly retire to rest knowing that I must rise early & betake myself to the Mount of Dr. Watts what I work to finish off as soon as possible that I may feel free. The flow of unbroken sentences in the last room indicates the presence of Miss Amelia. Charlotte has not made her appearance for several days so that I suppose something is wrong especially as Sally looks extremally black. Oh what cause for thankfulness when they had given us grace to feel disappointed than I have done.

Yours very tenderly
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Some of the drawers of the library table you will find a pass on the Rail road for the Hospital for 1859. Send it home.

My Dear wife

I am truly grieved to learn from your hasty note of this morning that our dear Cousin Annie Paul has not improved as I had hoped the change on the genial airy and pleasant surroundings at Long Neck would. We must in all things submit our own wishes and will to the wisdom and love of Him who surely doeth all things well. Happy for us it is that He hath promised for those that love Him such good things as pass our understanding; and lastly as that sickness and disappointment are the appointed means by which we are to be made meet for that heavenly inheritance in which we shall find the full fruition of all that our hearts can conceive of perfect rest and joy. We may and should encourage each other to press on to the mark of our calling to that glorious inheritance. We can not do this