SIDE ONE

Wednesday Morning

Cousin Emily & I took tea last Evening with the dear children in 8th St. I do love them ever increasingly - Edward and Gertrude had spent the day there. He says Edward looking well and so far as they know doing well - The office he has been promised is still in expectation for January - In the mean time he is reading Every thing he can lay his hands on.

We are at last enjoying the blessing of rain. what a most needed

I feel somewhat anxious about you all. Yet I strive to lay down all my fears. and to trust for myself and aching children just the kind dealings God. & to trust that all things needful will be added. May God crown your days with peace & grace

Your loving husband

Chas Allen

The horse did well yesterday -

Phila d. Sept 19th 1860

My dear dear wife

Once again our Lord God! has set in the form of my mind this morning. Much strengthened by the tone of yours of yesterday before just rec'd as I sat here counting for Richard. - You will have this money that I have not sent the horses. I have been much disturbed in mind about it. but you should be requiring them absolutely for your convenience. and yet I did not see how I could part with them. One large strong sound horse would answer me - the carriage which has come home in good repair and our strong is too large for any other kind of animal, single. I found when I had examined Pete's feet and had his shoes I could use him and therefore retain him for the present. If Harry is looking for any thing for me. he must bear in mind that the carriage is heavy and very large. If you can manage with what you have at hey rick I will try if we can not work through the winter here until day may return there & then send this pair down at the same time. The expense will not be without considerable arrangement