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to your own chambers as well as the halls of our neighbors Mr W. behaves very civilly about it – The paint has never been renewed since he bought the house & was perfectly rotted out. Emily had gone to Sabbath this morning when I called there. I shall take tea with her this evening & then go to the meeting of the managers of the Nursing Home. & when I come home I shall make this for you. I shall enclose the freight bill for the articles sent down. what you must pay away & as any others are received we will send them also & thus have a check on our account when rendered. Phoebe asks Harry to send them all together like

bill of lading. Yesterday was a bright time in all circles here under the impression that Fort Sumpter would be abandoned & has averted – To day things look more gloomy as it is said there is a diversity of opinion in the Cabinet. Would God we might see peaceful counsels prevail!

The sickness which has been so prevalent here all the latter part of the winter is still rife – There have been three deaths said to be by Diphtheria within a square of Chestnut. Mr Cash & a younger child of Mr. Norris & a child of Mr Elting – The boys at Charles are thought to have Whooping Cough – Eff. Reed has been in New York nursing Elizabeth with barroloid. – Annie has