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My dear Dr Morris

I saw Isaac (yr son) yesterday & he told me that Mrs M. & yourself are at West River and I thought to my self how fortunate a man you are and how happy you must be. It may not be right to envy a neighbor, altho' in this case envy partakes not in the least of coveting, but yet it is quite human to compare one's position with that of another and without desiring in the least to abate his possessions or advantages to wish that one's own were equal to them. Then you are with one dear to you than yourself, in the quiet enjoyment of country life, undisturbed by the cares of business or the turmoils and strife of this chaotic world, surrounded by your children & grandchildren, passing what time you choose in your study, surrounded by the beauties of nature & with a heart overflowing with gratitude to Him who has blessed you so largely beyond most of your fellow creatures. And here I am, solitary, no person to encourage me to and consolation might be an elixir of life, in the rapid & hurried stream of business, overwhelmed with cares numerous