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mitten. Your dear father to-day is sick in bed. He seemed pretty well up to last evening; then, was feverish & very much prostrated; all the evening on the sofa. Passed a restless night and was unable to be out of bed to-day. Murray comes every day to dress Mary Kaine's, (the cook's) toe and, of course, saw your father. He said he had some fever, & he would see him again this evening, prescribed milk for his diet & to lie still. Chester came in this afternoon, he thinks your father has an attack of diarrhea which he says is a sort of epidemic here. He prescribed 'paragoric' of disturbed, & a tea spoonful of Nitre in some toast-water. He also, told me, he would be in again this evening; they have moved to Fern-bank, that is Nellie and the children, but Nellie was here with Chester this afternoon. She is much better for her Virginia trip, tho' still a little hoarse. Chester was here, yesterday, in good spirits, the suit went in their favour, that is your side gained it, after hard fighting. Of course, dear Galley & Haw, we cannot say when we shall be with you, owing to this sickness of your father. He sends you over so much love & to tell you that it would be impossible for him to travel now. At any rate, we did not calculate to start before next Wednesday, as Murray advised us not to do so, because Mary Kaine would not be able to do the cooking before that. The toe is doing well, but heals slowly and her general system has run down.