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1874-1887 Sally Scott [Murray] Chadwick [illegible] meaning used [illegible]

"The Richmond"
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My dear better Sally

I owe you a thousand apologies for allowing so long a time to elapse without writing to you, I have been daily expecting to have Tom over since you were here. but as you see am still in Wash.n, I am now a fee mere Uncle Sam can no longer order me around, Rob has written you that I have been sick yesterday but I am all right today; being now so permanently in my old age & probable second childhood I had a touch of a baby ailment I suppose as all the Dr. ordered for me was some "Spiced Syrup of Rhubarb with the following directions" For an infant with diarrhea, a teaspoonful every two hrs 'til relieved" - I was much & favorably impressed with the great improvement in the baby.