is no hope of it – I shall be
occupied here, in the "improvement
of Black River" until Nov. Then
shall [illegible] gradually South – at
such [illegible] rate as to reach Washington
by the [illegible]nd of the Month – Could
you meet me in Balt. about
the 15th? If not drop me a note –
at Barnum's – I want to spend a
week with you if time permits –
I shall require, in Balt., some
information in regard to com-
munications – I shall at all events
send you intelligence of the time
(probable) of my reaching Balt. –

What has become of "Bro. Bill"?
I have had no news of him
since his marriage, except
your casual notice –

Don't you get married until
your friends are all dead –
he man is worth a Stand
after it –

I received a note
in June, at Augusta – Mass.
plied with it immediately
had no time, for many days
acknowledge it – until it
to old an offence that I
entirely neglected –

I should like of all
to see the [illegible] who spu[illegible]
[illegible] be [illegible] –

Truly Yours
J. E. Johnston