

could it have been possible - he has got a fine
wife I assume you -- & Mary is a nice girl too?
I hope she will marry some clever person.
Only think dear old Christmas day is only two weeks
from to day - how time flies - I wish from my
heart you could spend Christmas with us - but
as I cannot enjoy that pleasure - I hope you may
pass a pleasant Christmas - you certainly will be
compelled to leave poor old E. Villed to do that. Have you
heard to see Sister Sally lately? Give her much
love you think so? We have just received our organ tone for me - & see her - I mean to write to her
at last - we have not had an opportunity of hearing
the tone - as it is not yet up - Mr. Pess is going
to Natchez tomorrow to bring Mr. Nash (an Organist)
to put it up - we expect to have fine music
at Christmas - I wish you were here to help us
sing - we have two very fine female singers now
in the choir. I must congratulate you sir, on
the election of Gene Taylor - I am sure you
feel very proud about it - do you not?
I wish now you had been gone with me to visit
Mrs. Dr. Wood - I met her again in the street
after I saw you - & she seemed quite anxious
I should go to see her. I should certainly have done
so - but was taken sick - & could not visit
any body. David is now going to school -
it is now time for him to be here at the - he has
lost so much time one way and another.

Tell my dear Mother when you see her - I wrote
her a long letter - a week since - I suppose you still
keep up the old custom visiting P. Grove every Sunday
& Sunday - I am sure I would not stay in E. Villed
when I could go else where. I suppose too, Alice
will find some new attractions to Oplea Grove -
there is no doubt giving you a plenty of good music - which
you are not indifferent to - as well as myself -
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