

Saturday - Dec 27th

My dear Pa -

I have waited till I might give you the condition of contents of Box & Barrel - but have heard nothing from them. Joe & I appreciate the goodness that prompted you & Lucy to take so much trouble for us - To say nothing of the expense & of sending it so far - I have lost my appetite entirely - since I learned so many nice things were on the way - Coy Mill says I am making room for oysters