Ft Rock Wolcott
20 Sept. '63

My Dear Col:

The bearer of last evening brought me information that my little daughter Helen was extremely ill in Balto. & I am hurrying off this morning. My letter was written over night & yesterday morning the was faid to be better so that I have hope to find her so ill. An situation will of course regulate my stay.

The joint party out of joint all my plans. amongst other forces of right I left Genl Sewall & Mrs L in Town to return however this morning though if I had not been called away I think they should have remained & it is with my best hope to find her so on this morning