has also arrived having left the Exploring Expedition at Valparaiso. Mr Carroll came with him in the Cars from Baltimore; it appears that Lieut Wilkes the Commander of the Squadron treated him badly. he has gone or is going to the White Sulphur Springs with his sister Frances Lee and Walter Jones' family. Mr Carroll met with his sister in Washington and was much pleased with her; she expressed so great a desire to see Grandma Carroll (who is her grandmother's sister) that Mr C. and I having occasion to go to the City called to see her and to invite her to return to the Cottage with us but unfortunately she had left for Alexandria. There has been quite a freshet in Washington many of the stores or rather the cellars on the Avenue were inundated and quantities of goods destroyed. Mr Carroll left us yesterday for Poplar Hill the residence of Robert Sewell; you have heard of course that Richard is dead. I wish Mr Carroll could prevail on Robert Sewell to go with him to the Winchester Springs; I am very anxious that he should go but I cannot make up my mind to take the baby away from this place as she is so well and has improved so much here. I do feel sincerely grateful for you & Mr Horsey's kind invitation but I think my dear Molly if we do go to Winchester we had better meet you all at the Springs lest something should delay us on the route which might also interfere with you. I think however if Mr C. can get Mr. Sewell or Richard Silghman to go with him he will be satisfied to leave us here for a few days. Give our warmest love to Mr Horsey, Ella & Caroline. Mr & Mrs Brent, Grandma & Aunt Nancy unite with us in affectionate remembrances to your Uncle A. & sympathy in his sufferings. A cake to bottle Anna my dear Molly obliges me to conclude.

Your truly affectionate Ma

Mama Carroll

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