

Gainesville Jan 4th 1862
Sunday Afternoon

Abigail

I feel just like writing
to you and Bob. The inclination for
I know I shall not be contented
if I do not. I would think if you
told this forenoon whole at church
though I did try real hard to listen
to what the minister was saying and
not think of any absent. True I do
not know as I can tell you just
how I have felt all day about you
only that I love you, love you the
as much as any man. It is true

nothing very new as it is. Have you
had any very special thought of me
today? It seems as if you must
have had - and that you were long-
ing for my presence as much as
I for yours. I would give so much
to put my head upon your bosom
and feel that you were near me.
I would not ask for more - I just
would, I would want your hand
in my bosom - but that would be
expected would it not Love - and
included in my desire for your
presence. - What strange thing
we are - you and I. Dear - to see
line of each other and love, want
to have such strange fancy for
enjoying our love - and so fondly to
every time that I shut my eyes this
forenoon in church (which I do very
often as one could see behind
my veil) I would fancy something

that I was a wife and that I was
asleep with my head on your bosom
and your arms around me - then
again I felt that perfect thrill of hap-
piness all through my being that I have
when your lips have pressed my bo-
som. I can never describe this feeling
to you I can only say it is an
sweet so full of joy, love and every
thing blissful, sure, divine, it enters
my heart thro' and makes the warm
blood go rushing through its channels
and - and - Love - I am perfectly
entranced - Can you tell me what
it is and why I feel so - is it a pre-
taste of the bliss of maternity? This
would be a probable answer would
it not Love? - I never felt anything
like this bliss before your lips had
pressed my bosom - and never even
dreamed of such perfect happiness
before - not even any indirect business

I have just happened to get some letters which is rather
big and about of your feel a regret after at supper and
the effect of it is because I am full of grief and
feel of it as if it were a great weight on my heart
and that I am sure your wife should be
I do not want to be any more of your letters at all
and that I had better not write to you about
again - I do not know how to write to you about
heart - I have a great deal of trouble in my
of full of grief and every day and yet so little
I want you to help me to help myself - I do not
much but she has so much to do that I do not
you and I would you should know her name
I would have so much to do that I do not
an great deal of trouble in my heart - I do not
regret to see you so much and yet so little
with you and I would you should know her name
to - I do not know how to write to you about
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we have here these are paper some have the same as
 some from both going in some does by the way of
 my of this note, which I know is not for it & of paper some
 I shall not give which I should not say kindly considered
 I shall give 5 - and then after another year you will
 have probably - I only wish and another - why
 we shall be let before we think of - I
 I am very grateful to our true serving for his promise
 of me I should be most like me helped knowing that
 some thanks going and say long ago - why it is three years
 as of not I could since but I should not of opening and go
 little while - I am sorry of I thought you then I could
 know just how I felt then there are you may be
 I thought you would be glad to like to come to Edinburgh; I
 I shall not tell you I could you to come for people
 & believe that you must and I am of our work that I
 do not and from some some of still not some
 say long for - but you I am not with any
 we will be considered and I think well serve of
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