

Dear Mother
 Sunday Morning Aug 14th
 No. 12

I think I may safely tell you I am better this morning. I slept last night for the first time after days or a week since I was so unwell. I have eaten something at intervals. The appetite now is in stomach. I am feeling much better. I hope to be back to my old self sometime before I am well again for I have been so completely prostrated. I have not left my bed for a moment nor could my feet without help. It tires me so to hold the pen that with frequent stoppages I can scarcely write legibly. I managed to reach the cross-writing yesterday and the dew sheet has lain close by me ever since. I am going to let the other letter lie behind the bed until I can pick it up when I will try and see what it was that made my heart ache so in writing it. I am commanded to close at once
 Your affectionate
 Son
 Wm. W. W.



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