

Raleigh N.C.

Jan. 11th 1869-

My Dear Wife:

You are such the dearest darling in the world - I was very kind and thoughtful of you to send down the mail &c - Please tell Fournes and for me that he is "a conundrum". He knows I paid postage &c and get receipts at least one week before due. I am very busy. Everything is in a mess as far as our business here. I am trying to organize it and get something started before I come home. I expect to come up on Saturday and will stay a day or two with you, oh dear. I met Mrs Ashley and Mary, also Mrs Kibben on the street and spoke with them but have not called yet. I am staying at Mrs Richards' rooming with Mr Keller, very comfortably situated Mrs. R. - is anxious for you to come down, as are all other friends - I was at the "Bar meeting" and I and Rodman, with Judge Paul made the thing a most complete fizzle. They went off, with several "fles" in their ears. I don't think they will try that game again. I was so completely knocked in the head - I did not go to church yesterday, but spent the day in the State library, reading Arnot's Oracles Furioso.

I will send you ten dollars - I would
send more but I want to avoid the
necessity of borrowing, this month if pos-
sible. I am not sure whether Dim-
combe can ~~come~~^{go} down to the P. O.
in time to mail this.

I am awful anx-
ious to see you, especially as a frac-
ture has appeared in the seat of my

hips -

Yours lovingly

Albin W. Torrey

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