

Lexington N.C

Oct. 15th 1878

My Dear Wife:

Your letter of the 12th was
handed me this morning before I was
out of bed - I am very sorry for Lodie's
disappointment. I directed the letter to
her because I did not want to di-
rect to you from that place. After
I wrote to you I concluded to come
back here last night. So you will
get one more letter than you ex-
pected - I shall be back here to-
morrow night - I was considerably
encouraged yesterday, it being a de-
publican precinct where I was. To-
day we go to a hot. den. hole as I
am informed, but I hope to hold
my own - Things look much better
than I had expected to find them

My dear Daughter:

You must pardon me for disappointing you but we remember that I have had no letter from you. I am sorry that your mamma does not speak as well of you in her letters as she did when you first went to Erie. You must be very good to her because you know she has not papa to be with her and she has a great deal of anxiety for us both - do all she says and do not wound her dear heart by being back on day. God bless you little Darling and make you good and happy, and a treasure to your mamma always -

Your loving Papa

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her, though I am somewhat afraid of this county. They admit that I will get Guilford - I hope for Person, Caswell and Randolph I can secure - and all reports from Stokes are good - Our friends think we will achieve the majority in Rockingham - I expect no gain in Alamance -

I am so glad to hear of your happiness - I expect Mrs. Keogh is right about my looks for when I came to consult the glass, I found I was as fat as a fool and looked as if I had been living top-notch. The travelling about so much seems to agree with me -

I have but little time

God bless you

Albion