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My darling wife:

Your bright letter of the 9th inst. was read tonight, with enclosure from Sojourner. If she does not write more letters she will forget how to write entirely, I am afraid. I wrote a slip on a circular which I meant to have sent you on yesterday, but it got under my blotter and I quite forgot it. I am very lonesome now. My fair neighbor has gone away in disgrace - was I not foolish to let her go in such a frame of mind! Eh? - I see you have made up your mind not to come back to N.C. knowing full well that I will not stay without you. Well, well, if I must, I must. I do not know that I enjoy myself any better here than in G. and know I cannot do half the work. I was very easily attracted there and only felt badly because you were aches -

I presume you had a very pleasant chat with Judge Vincent, though I do not see what he should want to know about me, matters - It must seem queer to you to speak of them as recollections. You never got so much of a home feeling here as I have though - Oh, I have a bit of news for you. I am told that it is now currently reported that you have permanently separated from me, and hence you both go through a divorce - and that when you have done so - it is more than probable that I will marry - whom do you think? Miss Hall. I am sure the young ladies have exercised good taste in prescribing for my literated affections, for she is a lovely little lady. A friend from Asheville reported that it was the current rumor there and Long of Salisbury says he had heard it frequently. They say you have left me in a rage because I will abandon dear old N.C. and give me Miss Hall to console me because I

have been seen coming from the Seas, very late at night. What do you think of that? Guess you had better look out as well as I. That ball was not very satisfactory I think. Howle was weak because he was not an honorary manager and - it did not seem to go off very well. All because I did not go, I suspect. I am afraid my book will keep me beyond the 10th inst. and in that case your divorce proceedings may come to an end before I get there - I did not think to look through those papers to see if there was any act. to that effect. I am going to Randolph court next Monday, the 17th and shall not get back till latter part of next week. I don't believe there is a bit of news. I would have sent you papers occasionally but know you do not want to be reminded of it. The Leg. is raising a row generally. The House has passed a bill abolishing Judge Strong's Court - His chickens have come

home to roost, too. So you think I will not stay and edit the paper. I certainly will not if you forbid, but "we shall see." Soon Jno. Gilmer, I understand, is still very low. I shall go and see him on my way to Randolph Comb - So, you "have not realized any want" of a husband? That is decidedly frigid. Believe I won't come at all now.

Leviss is waiting to take the bell to the office so that it will go off in the morning - He seems to be remembered -

Good bless you

Albin -