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Emma

I think I am more  
nearly sane today, than I have been for  
the two last times I have written to you.  
I cannot say, however, that I am exactly  
as comfortable as could be imagined.  
I have a pain in my head, and it is  
very dull, and I am very nervous, and  
I have a great deal of trouble in  
getting on with my work, and I  
am very much obliged to you for  
the letter you sent me, and I  
will answer it as soon as I  
can. I have a great deal to  
write, but I will stop for this  
time. I am, dear Emma, ever  
yours affectionately,  
John C. Smith

Wise for me to write some lines, indeed  
I should succeed in doing so, though  
I am very unhappy. I am in a  
as I have said, I fear that I have not  
been money, but I have not  
I want to see you all, and I  
tried to go to you all, but I  
and it will be, never to see you  
were here, I would take you  
my life, and I get all kinds, in  
of your presence, I would shut the  
off, so that I could see you  
could you to visit and I would  
that every night you would  
come and see me, and that  
has made me almost happy  
Emma, as I am  
knowing only what I have written  
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without his feeling, on a  
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during these years. Heaven only knows  
what will be the final result of these prepara-  
tory events. One thing I know, that we are  
purer, stronger and better; that a merciful guardian  
an hand has preserved us from evil and filled  
our hearts with joy and love in which man  
I ever be grateful, as I know you are.

It almost seems Emma as if there must  
have been a sort of inspiration governing our acts.  
As I view our three years intercourse now it does  
not seem as if it could be that our own hearts  
and prompted our acts. I believe that the power,  
which has thus far prompted our acts and guarded  
us from evil will not remove his care and I  
have no fear in committing our happiness to  
His care. Oh, Emma, my own, you are a  
part of my life, my pure earth-angel.  
I know that you were sent to keep my soul  
from harm. May the richest blessings of  
Our Father's grace be with you, is the con-  
stant secret prayer of

Wm. L. Garrison



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