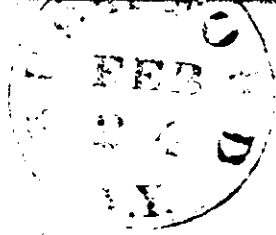


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St. Louis, Mo. Dec 20th

My dear Mother

Dear

I received your letter of the 17th and was glad to hear from you. I am well and hope these few lines will find you the same. I have not much news to write at present. I am still in St. Louis and have not yet decided where to go. I have a few friends here and they are all well. I have not seen you for a long time and I would like to see you very much. I have not much news to write at present. I am still in St. Louis and have not yet decided where to go. I have a few friends here and they are all well. I have not seen you for a long time and I would like to see you very much.

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around what it is - You know someone  
Oblivious - Shall it belong to Annie  
Tayler and I want you to send it to  
at Montreal. I am however like a picture  
of me little in all you shall have, but not  
that you do not believe me but see some  
request. Just do it and send  
it without a word to me -

How wonderful and I cannot write  
more. I wish you could only take me  
in your arms, saying - and rock me  
to sleep.

Excuse - I feel much better than  
did this morning - my head aches  
is all gone and I have not come  
in for a nice little walk with  
a young minister. It is so cold  
and I want that I could out enjoy  
it, and then I had company which  
was very agreeable. I don't know  
what I do make me have such  
terrible headaches in the morning.  
I think I must sleep too much.

No letter for me to-night either - My  
Albion I believe you are sick for  
else coming to see me to-morrow -

What an absurd idea for me, that  
you are coming here! The mails  
have been very irregular this week  
on account of the deep snow, and  
your letter may have been misdirected.

I don't know what I shall do if  
more comes to-morrow night -

Are you going to war, Darling? I don't  
see anything about this, and I  
think this must be some occasion  
for my exceedingly anxious for your  
letter this week. I want to know.

Oh how it would delight my eyes  
to see you walk once more. I would  
be so glad for you, only - I  
don't want you to leave me alone  
again and go to this terrible war I can  
not. and I don't wish one thing  
clacking, don't.

We have had good news this week.

Dear Mother  
I received your letter of the 10th and was glad to hear from you  
and to hear that you were all well. I am well at present and  
hope these few lines will find you all the same. I have not  
much news to write at present. I am still at home and  
doing my usual work. I have not yet decided whether to  
go to college or not. I have been thinking about it a great  
deal and I am sure you will be glad to hear from me  
often. I will write again soon. Love from  
John Doe