

Greensboro N. C.  
June 8<sup>th</sup> 1873  
Monday P. M.

My Darling,

Your letter was  
rec'd this morning, and  
I have not had you out  
of my thoughts one moment  
since I read it and I  
have fully determined on  
one thing; that I shall  
leave here on Friday and  
be with you when the op-  
eration is performed. I  
never can survive ~~and~~

not be with you then

Don't say no to me Darling  
I beg of you. I know I ought  
not to spend the money  
but I would deny myself  
anything and everything  
to make it up. I must  
not buy anything and  
I can leave Lodie as  
Millie will be at home

She hears me telling  
Bob that you were going  
to have your eye taken  
out and she began to cry  
at once and said "Her  
papa must not have his  
eye taken out, she would  
not let him."

Louisa and all urge  
me to go and say they will  
all do anything to assist  
me; and to get along dur-  
ing my absence. You

will not have time to ~~to~~  
write me after you get this  
but you can telegraph  
if I hear nothing I shall  
leave Friday at the same  
hour you did and will  
get through by Sat. night.

If you send me word  
not to come. I am not  
at all sure I should obey  
you. I need not stay more  
than a week if you get a  
long all right

I find I put you up no  
clean under clothes. I will  
bring some and some  
shirts.

God bless you my pre-  
cious husband and keep  
you from all evil.

Yours devotedly  
E. L. K. Lougee