

must stop this time and tell thee
what a nice present Wilson bought
us Sarah thee and I each a piece of
gold to make breast-pins of or to turn
to any account we chose was it not
kind of him he bought Father and
Uncle Thomas each a beautiful cane,
but I will not describe them to thee for
thou wilt soon see them.
I do not suffer from the loss of my heart
but I certainly have a severe pain on
that side to-night -
I write a long letter to Aunt Catharine
yesterday. This is the fifth letter which I
have written since I returned I think
I do more than my share don't thee?
This week is almost gone and I have
not penned one word to Cousin Lizzie
which I assure thee I intended doing
before this but "better late than never" is
that not a true motto brother. Give
my love to Cousin Lizzie Burroughs.
Add Mrs. Lick now don't forget for me
thinks if I should ask thee if thou gave
it. Or Mrs. Lick when I sent it before

well and don't worry me. I think he has
thou would say "Oh no I did not" ask
her if she remembers one "What are
your thoughts like" I have not played
it since has thee? Mother says tell
thee that she should be very glad to
have thee buy thyself that coat and
so would Father but they fear thee will
not get good cloth don't go alone or purchase
it until I write again. Mother thinks
if thee has one to suit thyself thee will
take ~~little~~ ^{good} care of it. Father said Addison
Bump yesterday morning said he left you
well. but we felt sorry to hear Add was
so unwell what seemed to be the matter
with her and is she not well now?
Cousin Sarah and I thought perhaps if
she had come home with us she might
not have been sick. Sister Sarah is reading
Smith's speech it is very interesting
I suppose you have read it. Father
went to a sale where he purchased a
very nice Hackney Cart's splendidly
and got as easy as it possible for horse
to go. and I think I shall give you
a specimen of my (husbandship) and

these have appeared. George
Charles and I are again. Mary.

John has retired but
will write to thee soon.

to-night. and we
were glad we
shall be able to see thee. Don't forget to write.

guess you will be surprised. She asks me
if she shall put thy letter to John Alliger
in ours. As she pleases if thou dost I
will see that he get's it although he never
comes down here for she knows they have
moved. Caroline Mackey sent an invi-
tation to come and spend to-morrow
afternoon with her I do not know whether
I shall ~~expect~~ accept the invitation or
not as it has been raining hard this
afternoon else I think I should have
gone to a concert given by the 'Ampthurs'
to-night. There is a ball this evening
at this Tavern down here. Made for the
purpose of raising money to pay for the
Catholic Church. William and George
have gone & sent some presents by them
and intended to send some Drapes
but on opening the boxes are found they
were all霉霉霉 I do not think a good
grape in either box it was too bad
after all our trouble in putting them
down. I fear you can not read this
letter it is so miserably written. but
I think another letter will be better written
for I am really ashamed of this.
She says we must not expect thee to

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