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She does not like me to leave her  
& begs me to stay by her all the time -  
Edward wrote you the other day telling  
you of her condition, so you know all  
dear & kind without any writing any  
thing more to pain you. She has  
just had me to write you the enclosed  
has been wanting for several days  
to write but did not feel able to do  
so & it has been a great effort for her  
to do so to day - she is so weak & her  
voice so low - that it seems to worry  
her very much being able to hear distinctly  
all the days. She imagines she sits  
up every day - but she does not some  
days we put her in the chair & she  
sits up for an hour at a time but  
she gets very much exhausted -  
It takes two to lift her from the  
chair to the bed & back again - she  
cant turn <sup>in bed</sup> by herself. At times she  
speaks of her death & then again she

makes plans for next Summer  
& Winter. When I am not waiting on  
her I am at the machine making  
up new gowns for her. She is anx-  
ious all the time to make up new  
clothes. & wants me to go down & buy  
her some new dresses. Edward tries  
to gratify her as far as he is able but often  
have to put her off as well as we can.  
Dear little Pearsons death seemed  
to grieve her very much for several  
days. From the time the little darling  
died until they carried him to the  
grave, she had me to carry him  
constantly to her & put him in her  
arms in the bed. would cry over  
& talk to him & tell him she would  
soon be with him the separation  
would not be long. He looked so  
sweet after death that it seemed he  
was in a sweet sleep. We could hardly  
think him dead. & Edward had me

to put a glass to his face, to be sure  
he was gone before I put him in the  
coffin. His face was slightly swollen  
which hid his thinness & his natural  
look came back to him. There was  
no pain & suffering in that sweet  
little face & it was so hard to think  
him dead & so hard to give him up.  
You don't know how I miss him -  
dear little Lamb. From the evening  
got here until he died he was hardly  
ever out of my arms day or night &  
died in my arms. He knew my <sup>osie</sup> <sup>with Charlotte</sup>  
so well that twice when I left him to  
go to Lydia, when I came back, with  
his eyes shut he held out his little arms  
for me to take him. But he is safe now  
in our Heavenly Father's care & I could <sup>not</sup>  
wish him back. Week before the last  
was a very trying one to me. Lydia  
so sick & I not able to be with her  
many sick & the dear little baby so ill  
& the children to look after. I have  
never been in such a state of mind  
before - so very anxious. But I am

I want to put I have kept up so far though it all. Lydia  
is better - but she has suffered intensely this time both  
before & after the birth of the child she was not able  
when I saw her a few days ago to help herself but very  
little. She was greatly disappointed at not having a  
daughter. I hope to have the pleasure of seeing  
Morton next week he comes as a delegate to the  
convention of our Church - I am delighted I have  
had to finish this at night so you must please excuse  
all mistakes I can hardly see what I am doing. When  
next comes I am sure I will try & write you a  
longer letter. I can hardly see what I am doing with love  
from us all to yours  
I remain dear friends  
affectionate  
about 24th