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Mrs. V. E. Barney,

The Captain is rather more comfortable this morning, I think is improved in looks. I have <sup>just</sup> been down to see him. He is in pretty good spirits & sits up some every day. He wishes me to say that he thinks you had better keep the cow a while longer, as there is some chance that we shall be in Et. before a great while. He received a letter from you Mon. but has rec'd none written since he was taken sick, or at least since I wrote you of it. Trusting I can write thus encouragingly every time I write, I remain

Respectfully yours, A. Whitmore.