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My dear Maria

I received a letter from you yesterday dated the 14th - I was glad to know the children were getting along so well. I of course questioned the Dr about Fred's symptoms and he says he don't think there is any thing to prevent both getting along well. I hope in your next to hear that he is doing as well as Carrie - the great thing to avoid is exposure to the cold air - To day is Sunday and when I tell you what I have been doing you will call me a naughty man - I have just come in from a horse back ride. I went out to Buzzards Point Bleek-house, to make Capt. Kelley & Lieut. Ballard & Kelly a call. (St. Bullard by the way is the one Father saw on the Cas) It is a very pleasant ride out there