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Dear Sister;

As I have a convenient opportunity I will endeavor to write a few lines to you this morning as I believe it is your birth day, I should much rather see you where we could talk with each other face to face, but circumstances do not admit at present, I am well and enjoying good health, although I heard last evening by a letter that Wesley got from Brother Cooper that it was reported about there that Gale was dead; but I think you have heard to the contrary before this time if not I will tel you now,