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My Dear children  
I presume you think mother  
is very negligent not  
writing you I have been  
expecting to go and see  
you I thought I would  
not write untill I could  
set the day for the last  
few days I have been  
quite unwell am better  
now Mother is quite poorly  
I do not like to leave  
when she is on the decline  
she thinks she will be  
better soon she has failed  
a great deal since you  
was here she says she is  
feeling better to day  
which I hope will continue  
we have not herd from  
Ed but once