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Dear Sister.

I take my pen once more to talk with you a short time this morning; although I think perhaps you may not be able to read - if you are alive. I received your kind letter of the 5th - the 23^d and was very glad to hear from you - and to hear that Mother was a gaining some, I also recd. a letter from Almira of Sept. 14th which came to hand the 28th - this informed me that Mother was still on the gain which I was glad to hear - but was sorry to hear that you have had to take your bed to have a run of that awful fever which had called our Dear Brother Pesper; & again it had called Dear Brother Charlie away where we shall see them no more in this world - but Oh! how thankful we ought to feel that if we are faithful here below we may meet them where parting lines will never come. I suppose before this time you are either a getting better or else you are beyond the reach of the pains of this world - I sometimes think that I don't care but little how soon I am called from earth away if I am only prepared for that solemn hour, but again life is sweet to us although it is mixed with sorrow and disappointments in this world.