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My Darling wife

I recd. two letters from you today and am glad to know you are all well yet. We had not had a mail before I believe for the last ten days.

My darling one I am glad to hear that you have found an arm strong enough for you to lean upon in this your hour of trouble, without any fear that you will fall to the ground. I know very well that several times in my life, I have felt how miserably weak I was, and that it was very clear to me that I must look to God alone for help. I firmly believe in Him as you well know, and I think more a quite deal about such matters than a good many think, but do not say much. You know my feelings on that point very well. I have not got time to fairly answer your excellent good long letters to night for I have had a long ride