

White Ford Jan 20th 1863

My dear wife

I have just received your letter of the 13th inst. I think I have received all your letters written lately. I was very much relieved to learn that Kittie's Brein was well, but it makes my shudder when I think of that a narrow escape it was for her.

You tell me that there are many cases of Diphtheria with you. Now if any of our children should have it which I pray they may not - I want you to give them a prescription of the following. Take of Muriate of Ammonia (Sal Ammoniac) 60 grains. Epsom Salts 1/4 oz and good Syrup made of loaf sugar 4 oz and mix them. The dose is one teaspoonful every two or four hours, with a blue pill