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I could, but I have not concluded yet to come
home. It will cost considerable you know to come &
go & you are all so busy, that I suppose you could
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Description: Letter to Sarah Tarbox from cousin Warren Brown

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and not so well satisfied as I should to stay away
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& Wm G I suppose has torn down his old house
& is busily engage in erecting his new one. I should
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is at home (as I expect he will be) I may go as far
as Kennebunk to see him & possibly home but it
is so uncertain you better not make any calculations
on it. When you get ready you better go, as
Frank is big enough to go with you now. If I should
come it will be between the fourth & middle of July
My engagement will be out here the last of Sept
then if they wish to get rid of me they will probably
settle with me & let me go. I shall have the privilege
of coming home to help you eat those melons if you
have any & of exchanging a good sweet kiss. That
will be something really refreshing to me for I
think the last one I received was from you. I
shall forget how it is done if I do not come home
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