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Date: Oct. 16, 1837

Description: K.B. Sewall to wife on separation

New York, Oct. 16th 1837 —

My Dearest Wife,

It rains this morning, so I rode down directly to Cedart St. & have not called at the Post Office for I did not want to get my boots wet – & therefore there maybe a letter in the Office from you or John. — My health is quite restored I have been out Every Day since John left though this is the second rainy day, – the weather has been very cold.

I have thought much of you lately & last night dreamed of you — We were together & walking in a new [?] country & some how or other we got separated & I could not find you — Anxious I traversed over the ground again & again, & it appeared to be on—the old farm in Georgetown where I used to live, I awoke up, without finding you. — This you see is "such stuff as dreams are made of-"

But in truth I feel your absence more & more & I think we ought not to live apart, any longer, Still I can not urge your coming here, when I am so destitute, as you [?] know – & it would be much to my disadvantage to come to Portland till there is some further change in my affairs – I fear you think I care little about you – I have appeared so calm on the subject, but it is far otherwise, it is very greatest unhappi= =ness that we are separated & outweighs altogether my business embarrassments –

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Dittation we must bear it bravely - hime will bring chan. Bue & Clock, Thave put been fown to Me. Bolch's office the alux has arrived the box is at Thurston, & Johall rake it who to on fut - Jam much obliged to you for your Kindney . as soon as Destrone amoney Ishall get me a pair of Woollan Muder thinty: Shave now but me that I can wear that who the 13. He has another daughter about 2 weeks oto mother is there with him. He is coming to Frotten. as some of his wife is well enough to allow him John his wife are by this time with for Do you with have some company & consolation. you must compare babies & write me the results. Which is the larget obeth los Ring - Carah boast a good deal of her boy. Nous herroy. Ihope gon have taken no more loles . You much take care of having forward worthly durich Especially for feet. Be of fort cheen my Love. Think for can stand in it I do not see on this toute. (on it will be quite as bad as not design winate all . if I de you I would to Show the Winter with go south a short time during the limiter of that

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One Oclock, I have just been down to Mr Balch's office the Alert has arrived the box is at Thurstons & I shall have to take it up to night – I am most obliged to you for your kindness – As soon I get some money I shall get me a pair of woolen undershirts – I have now but one that I can wear & that is [?] –

I have just rec'v'd a letter from Pesham[?] dated the 13. – He has another daughter about 2 weeks old Mother is there with him - He is coming to Portland as soon as his wife is well enough to allow him —

John his wife are by this time with you so you will have some company & consolation — You must compare babies & write me the results - which is the largest and best looking — Sarah boasts a good deal of her boy — Nous Vervous[?] - I hope you have taken no more cold — you must take care of having yourself warmly dressed, especially your feet. Be of good cheer my Love. Think you can stand it if I do not see you this tonite — If I can come on & see you, & must then leave you it will be quite as bad as not seeing you at all —if I see you I want to spend the Winter with you — If I remain here it may be necessary for to go south a short time during the winter, if that

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should be the case, I may not again have so good an opportunity for if you were here I certainly should not leave you to go any where. – I merely suggest this – I have got no definite plan – But I am expecting to settle some important business this month, – which will then decide the matter, —

I shall expect a letter from you to morrow . John told me he would write as soon as he got to P– I presume Miss Porters & Miss Boyers are quite happy – and Codman will stand higher as a member of society – Do you read any – you must not wear your self out with the baby – I think there is no fear of Mothers neglecting their babies, but rather that they will devote too much time to them. — Be careful of your self — Will the <u>2 Doll</u>ars get you a pair of shoes?

Mrs. Ticknor has returned I saw them on Sunday — I should write again in a few days. — I am not strong in my chest — a sea voyage would do me much good — Give my regards to your father, Mother & others & baby a kiss for me & believe me as ever your Affectionate K.B.Sewall.