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Date: January 11, 1865
Description: Josiah Pierce on death of Arthur Pierce

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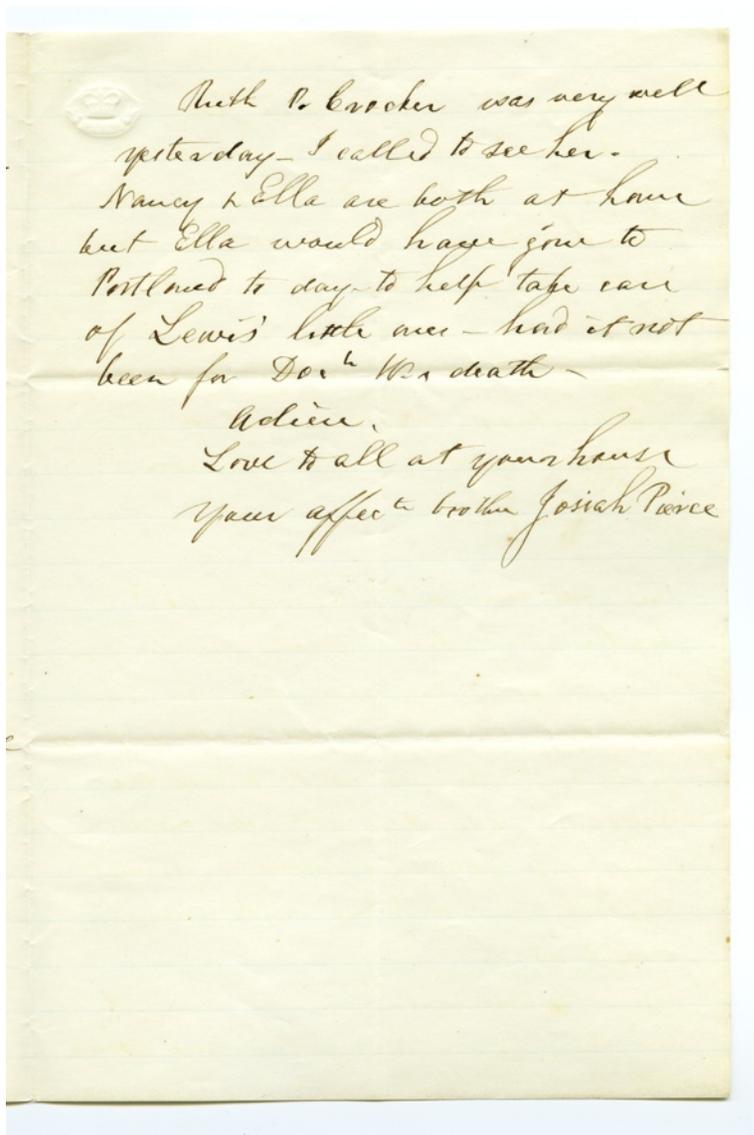
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Ruth P. Crocker was very well
yesterday - I called to see her -
Nancy & Ella are both at home
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Portland to day to help take care
of Lewis' little ones - had it not
been for Doc^t W's death -

Adieu,

Love to all at your house
Your affec^t brother Josiah Pierce