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Description: Anne L. Pierce to P.E. Sanborn

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I recd. yr. letter of Jan. 7th.
last Monday I think. -

I often think of you and
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