

for my & my mother's
from which I & dear Addie & the boys
getting along & C. I have heard
less of dear Addie lately,
than of any of you, how is
she getting on? when you write
do give her & family a great
deal of love for me and tell
Addie when she has time to
answer my letter & postal that
I wrote so long ago, I have still
the last postal she wrote me
telling of a long letter she had
written poor Uncle concerning
the property down there, which he
has never received, and was
surprised too, to know the contents,
I wrote her twice telling her
he had never gotten it but have
never heard from her since poor
Dad I know her hands must be
full with so many little ones. When
I last saw her Marie was the baby,
they were such sweet children &
dear Addie always so cheerful &
sweet. I have never seen dear Marie
since her marriage, what a wonder-
ful woman she must be, I hear how
beautifully she manages her children.

house hold, and so many to do for,
the back is indeed fitted for the
butten, how I would like to see all
of your dear faces once more, and my
dear & ^{dear} ~~dear~~ Aunt Mary, do give her & build
much love for me, also dear Sire &
family, Lizzie & Cousin John Lawton,
the two latter I never will forget for
their kindness to myself, and little
ones during the War, give my love to
dear Ella and Johnnie P. and all of
my dear relations over there, I love
them all very much, how is dear
Hattie, Carrie, & Duncan getting on?
dear Lady's children, how my heart goes
out to them, as well as to you three
Sisters, your Mother & Father were very
dear to me. Your Uncle's health is better
than it has been for a long time,
he amuses himself with his garden
and poultry and is happier, & better
tempered than he has been since
the War, all of our necessary wants
are supplied by our dear good chel-
dren, our house rent paid, our groceries
filled paid each month, all our
Coal & wood sent us this Sire &
Callie does for us, besides giving us
clothing very often, and supporting
Oliver entirely, I never spend a cent for
food, save of my other two sent me
each every month, which I buy fresh
meat, butter, buttermilk, peas

He doeth all things well, we ^{cannot} ^{therefore} cannot foresee his reasons for afflicting us, but we must submit to His holy will. I sympathize deeply with you both, and hope you will soon be able to rebuild it. You must not think for a moment dear Corol, that your old Aunt has forgotten you, for I think & speak of you three sisters so often, and am deeply interested in your welfare, & love you all very much, and if it were in my power would soon show it in a substantial way. hannie Willingham (nee Peeples) was the first one who told me of your great loss, you know she lives well, & then I heard through others of it also. I am always enquiring of those who I think know of you, how you all are