

Brooklyn N.Y.

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Dear Boy -

I've two letters of yours for which accept my thanks - it was my intention to write you last night but Mary started up and yelled all the evening with stomach ache or something and I could not have a light. The children all send their love they are up and about - they seem well - I go to bed and hope it will last but fear not - Mother is very thin and nervous and complains of pain in her chest. She grows very tall I give her Quinine and Iron all the time.

I got the money Order for twenty five Dollars
all right and thank you for it. I hate
to take it - but was on my last dollar.
I've nothing to put on as my hands
washed up one dress and the brown one is
in rags. I've had nothing new since I
came - so I bought a brown one - enclosed
is a sample and I'll try to make it
myself so as to get something to put
on. I can't afford to have it made.
I have all my fingers well but one the
worst one and I manage to get along.
Emma sends you her love and two kisses
I took her out today but she got tired
very soon. They want to go to a fair
at Mr Beechers Bethel. I may have to
take them. The weather just now is
not bad. Mother was better today - the
nurse she has now is going to

leave next week, and I doubt if the
nurse. I have well stay she does
not want to get up until near
seven and Oreg and the others
are awake and need her at
six and I don't like having to do
the worst part of the work - fortunately
there are lots more.

The Salmons are very kind and pleasant
Cousin Julia is in Litchfield and Miss
Mina (Aunt Caroline's companion) is at the
Salmons. Julia invited her to visit her
and she is going there as soon as
Julia is better. Julia is miserably sick
I go there every day. Celeste knows me
and is very lively - but looks funny. Oreg
can spell Bo-y. boy. as smart as Emma
she instructs him. he is a wonderfully
cross little Boy. he calls Mike - Nickles -

About going into Partnerships I don't
know. it would depend on how the
business looked. I don't approve
of borrowing money under any circumstances
but I'm not a business man. and
although I like Mr Baird should
imagine he might not be easy to
get on with. about his judgment I
know very little. Try to find out more
about the Blanchards and write me.
Love to friends. Excuse dirt of this.
Do the Van Tassels keep any help?
what business does he do?—

I am sorry we are not all together
but no doubt it's all for the best. you
will be the better off for our absence
with lots of love I am

Yours

—Giv.

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