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My Dear Mother and Brother

According to promise I  
now set down to write you a few lines  
I left Schenectady last Wednesday morning  
and got to Rome at one o'clock and staid  
there until dark when we took seats  
for Watertown and from there to the  
Mills where we arrived ten o'clock at night  
tired as a dog and with a long face. I  
can tell you for it was so late I  
expected to have to stay there all night  
but the first one I saw when the cars  
stopped was Esther and Tim and after a  
very cold ride arrived all safe and  
sound about eleven o'clock at cousin  
Tim Hewitt's found every thing about  
as you told me Sandford's folks live  
in one part of the house and they don't  
agree very well I tell you they move

out in march Fair has recated the  
next year to George Skimble and  
Walker Hewit Aunt is not very well  
she dont do any thing Jim is almost  
blind and they are rather a slim lot  
my poor aunt sends her love to you  
and said she would like to see you  
once more if it was only for an  
hour but dont know as she ever  
shall for she cant come down there poor  
old woman has not long to stay in  
this world I guess George Hewit is  
~~dead~~ dead he died last Summer  
I think now I shall go to see Dan  
Hill before I come home tell me  
when you write if you think of  
going out there this winter I dont  
know how long I shall stay out there  
perhaps not long for it is a very

lonson place I think tell me how  
the Boys are when you write I went to  
see Lily while I was in Schenectady I  
think she is misused like a dog if she  
was my child she would not stay  
there another day if erit comes home  
I hope he will take her away when  
she comes for they make a little slave  
of her Mary Jane went home the day before  
I started for the west - It is raining here  
to day there is no snow here where  
there comes snow we are going to uncle  
Daniels to make a visit it is getting  
late and I shall have to draw my  
letter to a close. Write as soon as you  
get this and tell me all the news  
good By for this time  
from your affectionate sister and  
daughter Sally. Wm. Knieberbocker