

Dear Mother
I received your letter
of the 12th and was
glad to hear from
you. I am well and
hope these few lines
will find you the same.
I have not much news
to write at present.
The weather here is
very pleasant now.
I must close for this
time. Write soon.
Your affectionate son,
John Smith

Wishes to visit you at
this season. Much as I
should like them to be
with you. & greatly as
they would enjoy it. I
fear I must reply in
the negative. Should
the Lord spare us till
Spring. & should it then
be convenient for you
to receive them. I shall
be very pleased to have
them go. but at present
I should not like to be left
alone. as for the past
two months I have not

fell balls - a severe cold
which attack which has
not yet subsided - and
also Rheumatism
making me less able
than formerly for work
keeping - I trust my
health may improve
after the weather be-
comes milder - and
I shall then be better
able to do without my
Dear girls - I suppose
Dr. Dawson & Dear
Anne are still in L^o.

order. I sincerely you must
have missed them at this
season. I am sure you
have all the dear ones
at home. Still I cannot
help feeling glad that
dear Anna is having
a little change - I shall
change the feet. You
had thought it was one
bed. One removed from
our midst - sleeping
her bed in the house -
The book has indeed given
us "Days in the Night" -
Truly he is the faithful
& prayer answering God