

Sarrit. John Jan 20th/84

My dear George

~~the~~ I have been often thinking of you lately and feel very much indeed for your sufferings and if you were only near me I would like very much to visit you often. I hope you have patience under all your trials and trust they will be all for your good. Pray you soon recover your health and strength and be able take your exercise as you formerly used to do health is a great blessing for which we should be very thankfull. And now I must tell you something about us here one night not long ago I had my S. S. Schullers here to spend the afternoon and evening. we had a very pleasant time. and they remained singing some hymns & verses untill pretty late when we went to bed

but were in a very short time
crowned by the Cry of Fire and
one getting up were very much
alarmed by the sight of the House
& Building next it on ^{you the opposite side} ^{of the Street} ^{of the House}
we hurried up in order to protect
ourselves. We were not sure for some
time that of our own safety but
when the Engines came and got to
work the Fire after some time
was subdued, for which we felt
very thankful that we were not
burned out ourselves we were up
the whole night helping to save
some of the People's Furniture &c
But one of the Poor People
a London Lost I may say everything
I dare say you have heard of
Judge Wilmut. he is I think
the best Speaker I have ever heard
well as I was going to say he
is a very good man as well as

being great he lives at Ineductown
but comes down here to give a Lecture
to the S. S. Children, ^{once a year} yesterday he
gave his Lecture and it was very
pleasant to hear him speak so very
kindly and pleasantly to the Children
and then it was such ~~so~~ delectful
to hear about 2000 Children stand
up and sing their Hymns we had
known of them the first begins with
"He'll not give up the Bible", then
"Greenlands Ice Mountains" with
that will be joyful. Sloology
The Judge said he would teach
and encourage on in S. School work
as long as his limbs would carry
him. he has a great ^{very} degree
of about Paganism Nimrod &c
which the Children have helped
to purchase for him to illustrate
his Lectures with. sometimes
had from Pictou yet but it appears

now to me as a place that I had
nothing to do with. I had a letter
from Charles Stearns a few days ago
he says he sells a good many Books,
Paper Room Paper &c he likes the
Place very much. I had a kind
message from Mrs Patterson also

I do say you are about tired hearing
all the matter which I have written.

I hope by the next time I hear from
you you will be much better.

When Summer comes again I hope
you will be able to enjoy yourself

I would like very well if you
were to come to Colyton for Sea Bathing
next Summer & perhaps Mamma could
come also with Baby you could remain
in the City and Colyton by turns
however Summer is some time off
yet and perhaps ^{Mamma's Papa} ~~she~~ will make
arrangements by and by about this gradually

I will now bring this Letter to a
close this time. Give my love to
Anna Lois, Willie, & a kiss for
Baby I wish I seen the dear little Boy
I remain Dear George
Yours truly
Thomas Stearns