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Dear Carrie.

We have been on the go so, since I left home that it has been very difficult to find time to write, especially at ten or fifteen dollars a day. I see that you mention having written to me at the Springs but I have never received it. I left instructions for all mail to be forwarded. Laura had two forwared to her from there. I have been going it pretty lively since I left home, and with the exception of one day have been going all the time, and when I get

back to the hotel I feel like I could not write even if I were not tired out. This afternoon I come in feeling a "good honest old tired" nothing more, and so, sat me down to write you and Father.

How I have wished for you and Father to enjoy this delicious weather free from musquitoes.

Well to begin at the beginning. You remember that I slept very litte the night before I left home, on account of the musquitoes. - I see Father says they are worse than he ever saw them at this time of the year - Well that night I had very nearly as bad a time on the sleeper, from

the same cause, with the addition of a cold. The next morning I awoke in the mountains and after getting breakfast felt better I thought I had seen beautiful scenery before, but when I reached the Shenandoah Valley, no! I did not throw up my hands and exclaim but sat quietly, and enjoyed for hours, the most beautiful scenery by far it has ever been my fortune to look upon. No wonder that the great military genius of the nineteenth century was a silent, and taciturn man. Less strange still was it, that he fought so desperately, to preserve so fair a valley, and his own home that enemy from whom

we all had so much to dread.

I must now leave off, this part of the letter as I have just received this moment a letter from Charlie, which demands immediate attention. He writes that he thinks of coming on to this place, and go into a hospital for treatment. It is now 9 o'clock P.M. and as we have made all arrangements to go off in the morning at 9 it is impossible for me to make all the inquiries necessary. As we return in a week or ten days at forthest

I can then make all inquiries needful.

Immediately on receipt of his letter I went to Mr Weightman's room, and he to me over to see a friend of his, who is well acquainted with all of the leading physicians of the City. Carlton is his name and he has the reputation of being a man of good sense. He advises very strongly in favor of Charlie's coming here and taking room at some leading hospital, where he will receive much better attention than at

a hotel. He gives decided preference to the New York Hospital, under the management of Dr. W. H. Draper I think it would be well for Father to see Dr Baldwin, and some others, and have a talk with them. I think the doctors here could at least tell whether he could be cured or not, and that would be a point gained, and an important one too.

When I come back I shall get all ~~of~~ the information possible, but suggestions from some of the Montgomery physicians would be of great help to me. I think I know pretty well, the nature of his

afflictions, at least about all that the Montgomery doctors know, but they could give valuable suggestions as to who, or where it might be better for him to go. You remember that Dr Horn said it was one of the most interesting and complicated cases he had ever treated, and said it would be an interesting case to all great physicians.

I must now close as I am afraid this is already too late for the southern mail. Will write to Charlie and you tomorrow on the boat. Maybe if Father thinks best you had also better send this

letter to him.
Will write every day from now on, and keep you posted as to our movements. Excuse the abrupt close of this letter.
With much to Father and yourself.

Affectionately yrs
F. A. M.

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P. S. Tell Father, I drew on him for $200.00, and got the draft cashed by Lechman Bros. to day
F. A. M.