

May 13, 1857

Please write to me and let me know if there is any conveyance from St. Johns, to where you live, there are two Steam Boats, <sup>run</sup> run from Boston, to St. Johns, every week, and if I knew of a conveyance from there I should go in the Boat; ~~ie.~~ if I go at all; If I do go probably Nancy de Darius will go with me; But it depends wholly on your reply to this, whether to go or not; but any how I shall be happy to hear from you.

Dear Brother, I wish you could come home, we should all be delighted to see you, and your family; but I suppose it would be hard for you to do so, while the times are so hard, as they now are, and have been for a few years past;

But I must draw this to a close, or I fear I shall weary your patience,

Please write to me as soon as you can, for I shall <sup>very</sup> anxiously look for a line from you, direct to Ruth de Richards, Pittsboro Mass in care of Rev. C. D. Lothrop.  
My respects to you all, from your affectionate Sister, Ruth de Richards.

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My Sister  
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Attleboro Mass, May

Dear Brother, & Sister,

I wrote you last Dec, but have not recd an answer but I heard by way of Mother that you recd <sup>my</sup> letter, and I presume you will permit me to write you again; I have <sup>not</sup> chan my place since I wrote you before; I am now 30 miles from Boston, on the rail road to Providence; I shall stay here till fall if my health <sup>is</sup> as good as it has been since I left Maine; I had a letter from Mother two weeks ago, they were all well I had one from Martin one week ago they were all well except the baby, that had been quite sick but was getting better;

I should be very happy to hear from you, but I should be more happy to see you, do you have any idea of <sup>us</sup> coming home if you do not, (with yours, & Sisters, leave permission) I would like to go and see you