

June 3, 1864

I must take them to the office I will try and get some flower seeds to send in this there is hardly any one down here get any everything I must Mary,

I have write down as you like and tell me the news from your daughter Mary, to her mother
James C. Peabody

Dear Sister Maria I cannot write you much for I am in a great hurry. I am going to get Aggie a shaker up to Mr. Camp to night. Mr. Pette has not got any I have it in one small bushy timber. It for me to day you would have. Hummmond have great times dont you you wish him must come down I have got my new shoes done it is made low back and short shes, I wear it to Tobias yesterday I am going over to make a visit by and by passing for. Thibe to brought me back. Come write me a good long letter just as soon as you can and tell me all the news does Mary Hummmond go up often has she come down river yet. Come will you please send me down two or three postage stamps if you can from your sister Mary

Daughter Mary
June 3-1864

140 St. Paul's church, June 3, 1864

Dear Father

I will try and write you a few lines to let you know how I am getting along. I am quite well now. I have been pretty sick with a sore throat. There was one or two white spots in my throat but two months ago during the worst day. There has been one since I was of the Pap's throat down here. I am down has been quite sick with it. My school commenced Tuesday. Mr. G. says he will give me \$2.00 for my school. I am going to board around. I wanted to board to Mr. Bishop's but the people was not willing. I came pretty near leaving in school. Mr. Stephens was not at home and he tried to make a fuss. He did not want me to teach the school. He thought that I did not know enough to teach his children. But wanted his daughter to teach it. Aunt Mary and I went up to see about it and so he would not let his wife. I have been drawing on Aunt Caroline all the time since I have been down. I have been writing a few days that I would go by self she got me

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If clear do not look at the blot on this sheet

some cloth to turn my shaker with today
 Mr. Cannon died this morning at 8 o'clock. he has been
 dying for three days. I guess Pa you will think this is a pretty
 looking letter. My hand trembles so bad that I can hardly
 write at all. I do not know of any news to write
 Mr. Charles Patten had gone to Boston to get new goods he has
 been gone three weeks. Aunt Ann has got a great baby
 it only weighed 3 pounds. it has been very sick with fitts
 they did not think that it would live. They have named
 it "Henry Hoar". Pa I was very much obliged to you
 for the boots. I went to Mr. Patten's and got
 me a pair of thick boots and then you sent me down
 a pair of thick shoes. I exchanged those ~~to Mr. Patten~~
 to Mr. Patten for a pair of his boots and he charged the
 difference to you Mr. Patten more thanly was not there and so
~~the shoes~~ Mr. Jones would not trust me, but I will pay
 you when my school is done. Uncle Charles Eastman has got
 his left hand cut very badly. he cannot do any work
 Grandpa's health is not very good. Aunt Caroline and Aunt Wanda
 are well. Uncle Charles had a letter from Uncle Warren he is in
 the state of New York he has been very sick. he has had two
 toes cut off. just as soon as he gets well he is coming home
 you had better not write to him for he has paper for his
 way now. I cannot write any more now. but I will write
 again soon Pa I want you to write to me when you can

and let me know how you are getting along I hope
 your hip is getting better, how do you get along ~~with~~
 gardening Aunt Phildah is going to send you up some seeds
 Uncle Wood is going to move up in the house
 when we used to live with Uncle Warts folks, Mr. Jones
 is going to stay. Please write as soon as you can and let
 me know if I did right about these shoes. I must write
 any more for I am ashamed of this God Night.

from your affectionate daughter
 Mary Richards

Dear Mother

I will try and write
 you a few lines I am well and I hope this will find
 you all enjoying the same good blessing I would
 like to see you all to night but I cannot. I hope you
 don't feel so as some say this summer. I suppose you go down
 to Mr. H. in season. pretty often. please give my best
 respects to them tell Mary I would be very happy to hear
 from her any time. It is quite a busy time down here
 much work. I was over to Tobique yesterday
 had a beautiful time. Aunt Mary is down here now
 I have not got much time to write it is all most dark and