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My dear parents,

You will not be surprised to hear from us here. I brought Lizzie with me to nurse the Baby, but after all I feel better to take most of the care of her myself, although Liz is a very trusty servant. I hoped to receive a letter from you before starting, but did not- we left early Saturday morning. The apples arrived two days before we left, and we divided them among the friends, what we could not bring with us, the red ones kept nicely, many of the peppers were rotten. We all feasted while they lasted.

You will excuse the looks of this sheet, as I have a very sore finger & as it is done up in wet cloths I cannot send you an unsoiled sheet.

I write merely to say that we are well. I will write more when my finger gets well. Ben sends love. Baby is crying so good night. Sarah

Direct to us. Raleigh NC