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{Envelope:}
{Postmark:} ??????
Mrs. Susan M. Keeler
East Saginaw
Michigan

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{Sunday} September 11th 1864

Dear Friend Susan, I set down this everning to write you a few lines to tell you of my journey and of my poor husband. Mrs. Keeler he is very sick. They have watched over him for three days expecting him never to recover but the doctor says he is very little better. Tonight he was very much pleased to see me come. They had telegraphed for me the day before I had got there. The doctor says he can't come home not before three weeks. He says if he gets right now he thinks maybe I can take him by that time. I hope ??? ??? shall come just as soon as he is able. I wish you would not break up. Wait until we come. I will come fast as soon as I can. He will be sick and I shan't have ??? place

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to take him. If you got a baby can't you get someone to stay with you until I come? Write and tell me what you will do. ??? says tell Mrs. Keeler to stay until we come. He was pleased with the oysters you sent him and eat some of them the next morning for breakfast. Mrs. Keeler I got here all safe and right without any

trouble but it is a long ride.
I tell you I was tired.
Mrs. Keeler I wish you would
send me some money ??? that
of ??? if you come and ??? of
of Mrs. Clifferton to ??? he or ??? has
sent her ??? ??? send me all
you can for it cost so much. I
don't want to send only once for
??? you ??? send it by express
send it today
to Mrs. ? L. Mead
??? University Hospital Baltimore.

{Page 3.} Mrs. Keeler, you must excuse me for this time for my poor ??? is so sick. I can't write much . Give my love to ??? and tell him he must get well and write to me. Tell ??? to be a good ???. You must be a good girl, too, and don't ??? write and tell me how you get along. Kiss ??? for me. I guess Jerome will send me some money and you go write and see him and send your money together ??? now put a mark on your Good night ??? don't forget to write soon as you get this. Yours truly, a dear friend, Mrs. L. M. Meade

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Please Direct Your Letters
To Newton U.S.A. General Hospital
Baltimore, Maryland

Steft Mayor Dear friend Lason I. A dow this earning to rite got a fele lines to Hell oyou of my forner and of to, poor holon the kelert is hery Lick they have hacked one him were there by depection him her to reached but the doctors see he is a duty bille better to mile he was her much pleased for see me come May had telagraphed for mo Moday before I had got here the ductor Les he can't come home not be pour Mered durates he see if he gets rule Men he thinky Meeting It wan lake liver by Mad time & hope to du shall come fust as som us he is abel I wish you would not brake up hall he come I will con & pred as doom as I can be will be Lick and I should have by place

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eller you must exitise the fore this this for my poor non & to mex! I could rile much give to love to for and tell him to husb gad heed and ret in Kell moress to be a good lever you much be a good give I and don't lauf rite and tell me how you get a long Neiss paner pore ne of gelf forome will send me some money and you go trib aid Lee him and dend your human to gether bethere two ful a mark on yours good will de sa loset forget to ril done is got get Mis yours trolly a dear frond My Lol Meade

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