

(To Uncle). June 24, 1848

Dear Uncle,

Death has again visited our family. Caroline expired Thursday morning last at fifteen minutes past 10 o'clock and was buried yesterday afternoon by the side of Father. She was taken with a sore throat about five weeks ago which reduced her very much, but she finally recovered from that through the use of Berkm (?) And syrup although she did not recover her strength. Last Saturday morning she was taken with the nose bleed and bled about 14 hours. Sunday, she gave birth to a little daughter which lived only about six hours. Caroline continued to fail till she died. The immediate cause of her death is a mystery but we think it was an organic disease of the heart. Her blood was very thin and watery.

So far as the birth of her child was concerned, she got along with us without any difficulty. Her husband is in the deepest affliction. I never saw a man feel so keenly. She was the very life and soul of his existence and he says he would willingly die, if he could enjoy her company. Some of us are with him night and day.

From your affectionate nephew,  
Chas. J. Hoells (?). (Hills?)

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