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My dear Bro.

I sit down to write you a few lines in haste. - It is now late at night, and I have been up talking with my friends who have come to attend the Temperance celebration, and can not write you a long or interesting letter. Among the sad news I have to inform you of is the death of my good & much beloved Aunt Eliza. She is now in the grave. How fast those whom I love are passing away! She was an aunt whom I have dearly loved from my infancy. She watched over me affectionately - and who was always among the first that came to my bed whenever sickness or affliction came upon my house. But she is gone, and I have every reason to hope that she is now with her Saviour in Heaven, and is enjoying a blessed immortality. She died happy in the Lord. This is a great consolation to me, for I trust & hope to meet her in my Father's house alone.

My dear Bro. You know not how
much I feel for you. Many prayed
for you in all my prayers. And
let me now instead of you to think
upon the things of Eternity, upon
God, and the ~~things~~ the favour.

You & I can not live long here.
This earth is not our abiding place -
but let us in time make our peace
with God and secure a place in
Heaven - where where we have met
we shall never part - there we
will find those blessed ones whom
we so much loved - and who have
gone before us. I am resolved to
be on the Lord's side, and hope
by his blessing to prove faithful
unto the end. There is every thing
to encourage us all in the way
of Holiness - the promises we just
and they are all true. If I did
not have you I would not this
write you. Therefore, excuse your
poor unworthy brother when he
calls upon you to turn to the
Lord.

The Children are all well at present.
Malvina Holom is a good girl - has
been entirely Contented, and quite
happy all the time - more so than
I expected she would be. Her health
has been very good - has not been
sick in the last. She acts just as
though she was at home. thinks
a great deal of the Baby, and is very
fond of taking care of him. I am
proud Maria speaks a little.

The neighbors & friends here are
all well. They are all well on Mt Rock.
I saw Col David Holom this evening -
he passed here on his way to Israels -
was in great trouble. His son Louis
made an attack upon him with
a knife - he said he gave his son a
severe beating - Henry & Simpson got
weapons to kill him, but others
interfered & stopped the difficulty.
I am sorry, sorry for all, and none
wishes more than I do to see unity
and good feeling among the old
men & his sons. Let me close.

Remember me to Uncle Lehiatar

I am yrs truly
P. H. Holom

Mr. Fletcher Johnson

Dear Mr. Fletcher Johnson,
I am very sorry to inform you that we have been compelled to
cancel our trip to Europe and will not be able to leave before
the 1st of October. We have been unable to find any
suitable ship or cabin which would meet our requirements
and we have therefore decided to cancel our trip.
We are deeply sorry for any inconvenience this may cause
you and hope that you will understand our position.
Yours very truly,
John Smith