

[To Mrs Elias Carr. Sparta, N.C.]
April 3rd 73

Dear Ell

I received your letter
to day always glad to hear from
you all and to hear that you
are well hope you will soon
be well I wish I could write
that all were well you Brother
Whit is quite unwell I feel very
uneasy about his health he has
a distressing cough and I am
fearfull it will settle on his
lungs he has fallen of very
much your Sister Virginia has
been sick for several weeks she
is very low spirited and wishes
to go on North for her health
my health has improved feable
yet I thought of sending Sam up
to help with the Garden but
but I don't know how I can

splain him Mary Ann has
been sick having chills I would
like to go to see the sick one
but I dont like to leave Whit
pore & Ellen he suffered so much
with his arm and now with
this cough he has so much
patience give my love to all
and a good potion for yourself
may the Lord bless you my
dear child & let us put our
trust in our blessed Saviour
for no other help I know
from your affectionate Mother
M. A. Hewing

April 9th 73
Whitcomb keeps quite unwell
he dont seem to improve any
Marie has been staying with
him several days I shall
miss her when she leaves I am
a poor nurse now Doc Edgar
was up to day & old Virginia rode
with him as far June Altons I have
not been to see her Whit keeps so
unwell I hop he may be better
when I write again
M. A. Hewing