

was so gradual that it
was scarcely perceptible to
either of us, besides there
was nothing any tidier or more
you need not tell this,
not that I mind it but
it might blight Phillips's
future prospects.
I neglected to send you
any money in my last - I
sent Mr Parker a note to
collect back winter - ask
him about it and if he has
you need not use the enclosed
bills.

With love and kisses for
you all

I am your devoted
husband

Bracebridge

June 23rd 1873

My Darling Wife

As tired as I
am I must write you a
few lines to night - To day
being Monday - always a busy
day - and Madra flat of
his back - having day labor
again, in order to get the
cotton perfectly clean, that
I may have a fair shake
at the oats, issuing rations
&c - I am pretty well broken
down - my back is not worth
a cent to night, so "I am
as wall where I am as where
I ain't"

I wanted very much to
go and see Buck Macnair
again to night, who I hear

to day is much worse of
again. Poor fellow, I fear
he will make a die of
it. I carried him a lot
of ice when I went last
time and you don't know
how much poor, fat, feverish
fellow enjoyed it - I must
get to see him tomorrow.

You do not say a word
about the spring bed. I ordered
bill of it to be sent here.
Write if you have heard any
thing from us.

Say to the boys their crop
hasent a sprig of gross
in it and is growing fast.
The Rogers field cotton is
now three high. The Shop
field not so large but
still the bush cotton -
It is all along as well
as I could wish and I

am happy -

Chas Boyd and our cook
went to town to day to get
spiced - he still behaves
himself and I think intend
to remain -

Get Francis back if you
can, regardless of price.
She is my favorite of
all the girls we have ever
had -

My cook woman "Philippa"
gets along first rate. You
observe I have given him
an extremely roomy he
has been doing working and
ironing to day - I suggested
to him this morning "it was
about time he changed his
table cloth" The same one
you left on the table, but
as I eat all around and
on both sides, its dinginess



Mrs Elias Gorham,
Worrellton.
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