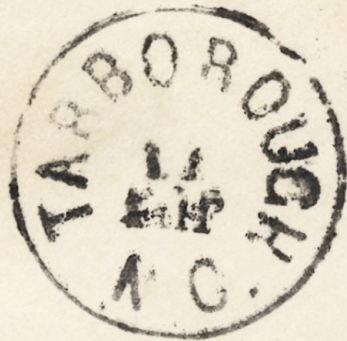


June 3<sup>d</sup>



Mrs Elias Lusk.  
Warrenton.  
N.C.



This will be a lonely week.  
Have already numbered its  
days - its hours will be counted  
towards the close, then its  
minutes - and perhaps the  
seconds too -

With regards to Mrs Switty  
love to your Ma and  
Kisses in abundance from  
yourself and boys

I am your devoted  
Husband

Bracebridge

Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 1872

My Darling Wife.

Yours of  
the 9<sup>th</sup> announcing your  
expected return home on the  
22<sup>nd</sup> recd. "fresh or no fresh"  
now as we have had post  
it has become a certainty  
I suppose as near as earthly  
things can - I am delighted  
beyond measure and will  
meet you at R. Mount  
on the night of the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
(Tuesday) you had best  
come by rail to that  
point - send notes through  
country - will have buggy  
and wagon there - So  
unless I hear to the contrary  
the above will be the arrangement



Have enclosed you the remainders  
of the season tickets on the R  
& G. R. R. The W & W one has  
been exhausted some time  
since.

The above written before  
breakfast and we have  
breakfast as of O'clock  
you at 9 - I believe -

You say "I went out to  
see Mrs Twitty this ev'ng and  
Dr Foot had just lanced it"  
what do you mean? Please  
explain yourself in your  
next -

The boys coats will leave  
Sorbora to day - Ask Button  
what he did with R. Williams  
express bundle - has not  
been rec'd at this end  
of the line - Tell him to  
trace it up -

There is so much building

going on in the county I  
find it impossible to get  
a season to do the white  
washing - Shall not put down  
the new carpet till it is  
done tho'. The fact is I  
cant hire an extra  
hand to <sup>do</sup> anything -

The Mocking Bird  
shall be attended to -

"My dreams have been  
about you" for the last four  
nights and strange to say  
they have not terminated un-  
pleasantly -

My refractory "ground spiders"  
have returned to <sup>the</sup> field this morning  
just as I predicted - Snowy  
will leave its influence and  
no one is better aware of  
the fact than I am, consequently  
my desire to accumulate  
a sufficiency.