

From Mrs. Elias Carr. Tarborough, Edgecombe Co., N. C.
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Dear Ell

I would of written sooner
but as Lule wrote I thought I would
wait a few days as I know you are
anxious to hear from your dear
Sister I am sorry to say she is no better
I donot think she can stand it long
unless there is a great improvement
she is completely helpless but we
must try to be resigned to the will
of the blessed Lord he knows what
is best for us we all have to die
who has lived a more exemplary
life than she has so charitable
so good, she must suffer a great deal
but never hear her complain

I hope you are all well I was very
uneasy about you all as the weather
was so warm I was afraid you would
have chills we are all as well as
usual Lucy Pikes little boy last
has been very ill but is better took cold

from the scarlet fever Bang Harry
has been quite sick had scarlet
fever you had better keep Lear in
the House write soon and let me
hear how you all are getting on
I am now at your sister Matilda's
have not heard from Whelmell in
some time I saw a letter the yellow
fever has been very ^{fatal} in Memphis a
great many deaths give my love
to Lear and the children the next
letter I will try and write more
excuse this as I am in a hurry
from your Affectionate Mother
Maria A. Kearney