

Becky & Grah & Horace surround
his bed, night & day, performing
all the offices of affection and
good nursing. While those who are
absent in the necessary offices
of other duties, send daily expressions
of tender enquiries. He has won-
derfully supported a cheerful
and quiet flow of spirits, seems
aware of his condition, but not
hopeless of recovery. Becky says
this is not usual in sickness.
His mind when I left him was
very bright, & his manner af-
fectionate. - Mr. Mace writes that Becky
went home for the first time last
night. Grah came to see us on Tu-
esday night, and returned on Monday.
Thus showing you my dear Minnie
that there is a change for the better
in your Father's condition, & we may
hope that his life may be prolonged.
It is true that at his age an entire
restoration to health, is rarely accorded

yet he may be made comfortable
- ble and the trial he has passed
through may prepare him, and
those who love & depend on him,
to remember how slender is our
hold on life and while we
acknowledge the Mercy of God
in sparing we must not mur-
mur, when the same Mercy is
manifest in removing from
earthly suffering the objects
we hold most dear.

Our dear Sara expected to move
in to her Town house on Monday
last, preparatory to her accouchment
She has been so excited by anxiety
that the Dr thought it safest to be at
home, her children were all well
Henry had nine teeth through without
suffering, she appears so happy in
the recovery of this dear child, and so
hopeful of her own condition, that it is
pleasant to think of her - & I may we
may soon be blessed with the news that
she is safely over her confinement
our friend Lizzie Lee, is a delighted

Mother, her boy six weeks old
both in good health - Sister Mary
continues well, thank God! Fanny
is recovering - & Edward getting
better, he was out yesterday.

Fanny not expected home before
November. Minnie is becoming
reconciled to this protracted absence
which at first distressed her much.

Your Neph Fanny came back from
her summer excursion looking pale
as a Pallas after a winter's dispo-
sition, but is recovering her bloom.

I miss the dear household as neighbors
and see them but rarely. Daily
visits to my dear Sister seems to
occupy most of my out-door time.

and no 2 efforts made to induce me
to young visitors. Philippa is inter-
ested in the children's Fair for the
Fortu-home, and brought some of the
pieces of her daughter's work to show
Sister, which were quite creditable to
her. If our dear Mother, Aunt or Uncle
we shall be glad of a little of her handi-
work - give my love to Mr & Mrs