

Our Brother Jo requested me
to write to you My Dearest Psea,
What can I say to comfort
you? Alas we are deeply
afflicted, God has smitten
us with a great sorrow - two
of our Beloved Brethren are
taken away. by His will, and
we can only bow submissively
under the stroke of His almighty
power. We dare not rebel
for we have been much blessed
in having been blessed of
such good and beloved re-
latives - every body sympathizes
in our grief & testify to the
worth of the departed. May
He strengthen us to bear his
visitation, and not sin, but
dear Brethren have escaped from

pain & suffering & infir-
 mities in this life, and
 gone to rest from their
 labors - "May he in whose
 hands are the souls of the
 living and the dead." com-
 fort you my dear Bre -

So I sister & Morace me both
 and we all send kindest
 love to you & yours - do not
 be anxious about us, for
 we bear up for each others
 sake, and are doing as well
 as you could expect or desire

God bless you many
 your affectionate sister

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Sunday Feby 1st

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