

Phila May 13 1866

This moment my
 beloved Ben, I have heard
 of your affection - and
 my heart claims the
 privilege of sharing your
 affection - of mourning
 with you, the loss of
 your precious son - long
 separations from those we
 love is among the saddest
 trials of this life - particu-
 larly when sorrows oppress
 those we dearly love. Oh
 my brother my heart
 mourns for you - even as
 if I were with you, to miss
 the daily intercourse of your

beloved son - his warm
affectionate heart was
ever so full of love
that he was endeared
to all who came under
its influence, and my
memory of all its sweet
flowing tenderness ~~in all its~~
life will keep his
memory ever green in our
hearts. alas, I feel so
isolated from you and
your beloved family - that
I feel as if worlds already
separated us yet my heart
clings to you all with
unwounded tenderness

My beloved Sister

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