

delightful and I get hopes to
enjoy myself a good deal here
The accounts from
the Yellow fever at Norfolk
and Portsmouth are truly dis-
tressing the disease still on the
increase - only 1500 persons in
Portsmouth and the average is
eight deaths per day - I will
write again soon give my
best love to Ma, Pa, Grand Pa
Sophia Mrs Stearns Cousin
Mary and all friends - Mr M
unites with me in love and
says you must write to him

Charlie and Har send a
kiss to Louis - Har would
be very much pleased to be
employed as nurse to him

So write me at once and
let me know how Pa is

Ever your affectionate
sister
Cecilia

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Saturday Evening - 297 Chestnut
Street
Philadelphia August 18th 1855

My dear Brother

I have this moment
received your letter forwarded to me
from ~~some friend~~ and although I want
a letter off this morning to Ma your
letter speaking of Pa's sickness has made
me so unhappy that I have deter-
mined to write again at once I trust
that before this he may be restored
to health again, I have had so
many bad dreams of late that
I am constantly looking out for
bad news - do write me often
and let me know how you all are

I regret very much to hear of the
difficulty at Grand Pa's, Louis is a
dangerous negro and I would be glad
to hear of his being sent off the place

It is too bad for Grand Pa to have
so much trouble and anxiety at
his time of life