

What has come over you that you are
quitting & quitting? I have but one
tin pair of stockings since Christmas
& just forty four stitches on mine
& suppose that thirty eight or
perhaps thirty six would be enough
for Tom's socks. When did you
hear from "the" "the" I wonder if
he has worn out those socks
that I knit for him. I to read
Curry very often and am an ardent
admirer of the work, think it hard
to beat any copy of it I saw on the
lower shore I am lonely without
it. I have read the "Lost Cause"
but think it hardly paid me for my
trouble don't like it near as well
as I expected it would.

Get me about six yards of edging I
want it for the ruffle you gave me
it must be nice.

Love to all and write soon to
Betsey

Sunday Evening
February 10th 1867

Dear Sammie

Fortunately for me
your letter came last night and I
will as usual devote my leisure
time Sunday to letter writing -
answering yours and other letters
received last week - the "cold" as
Christmas" to day I nearly freeze
sitting by the fire I never saw as
much cold weather at one time in
my life - last week I felt like I
was living the weather was so warm
and pleasant but am paying up
for it now sitting in the corner - my
nose running like a sugar tree and
so hoarse I can scarcely talk
have not had such a cold before
this winter - my mouth is covered
with fever blisters as well as can be.