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Dear Lucian:

Your letter with enclosed express receipt for the sum of \$781.00 you rec'd and I assure you it was a blessing for me as I had just paid out the last cent I possessed the day previous, I shall not fail to harbor and nurse this money for I now know the great importance of saving my money & making it go as far as it will. I am under the impression, in fact almost positive that I will arrange matters all satisfactorily with Dr B, and then I will once more be on my feet & placed in a condition where I can begin life anew and battle with the world. I am going ~~now~~ to move away from Columbus for good as I know well that it will be advantageous to us all in many respects. In the first place, I want to get to a City where I can give my children advantages of schooling as well as enabling them to be thrown in good select-society in away to elevate their future, rather than have them go backwood, as such would be the case were we to remain here. I cannot possibly injure or worse myself at any