

St Louis Saturday June 19th 63

My Dear Wife

I will commence a letter to you this afternoon & Finish it tomorrow we arrived here last night about Midnight we had a fair trip around & if we get as good a one back we will make a little money times are very dull & and prices poor we had all the freight we could carry on the water I have several small lots engaged to go back to Louisville & Cin. & I think by Monday night we shall have all we can carry I had thought somebody would be here and offer to buy the boat but the Boat fever has subsided greatly I had a visit from Capt. R. C. Gray today & he says that he thinks that the upper Mississippi river trade would pay us better than the St Louis and Cin. trade but I dont wish to go up there for the present. I had an offer at Cin. to sell & I will know what I can do when I return if the party accepts my offer I will be home Shortly. Sunday Evening I have been rather under the weather since I left Louisville & had today to have a Doctor & he gave me a lot of Medacin and as Soon as I took of it got better he says I would have had the ague or a bad attack of Billious fever if I had not had relief soon I thought it was the Neuralgia I had, for one side of of my face & jaw pained me constantly and my teeth ached & I had one of them pulled and it did not do any good and for 48 hours, I had not eaten one bite nor slept one minute. I was not well one minute at a time until I took the medicine and it acted like a charm I am of course weak but feel well and tomorrow I want to go and see Belle Ferguson I have not been out of my room nor in fact out of bed all day till this Evening. I would not have believed that a few doses of medicine would do so much in so short a time. I will send you a paper or two tomorrow I hope you are well give my love to the children excuse this poor letter for I can assure you that I have had better to say – I will leave here for Cin Tomorrow night without I get disappointed. I have been unable to go up Town to see how it looks but will Tomorrow if nothing happens & my health improves I feel sure I will be all right again in a day or two

Yours Affectionately
WB Anderson

P.S. I will write again Tomorrow any how

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