

Mary L has colic, is cranky
Very hard to read - ink faded.

new dresses for it is very uncertain
about my coming home this fall or
winter. If I had some one to go with
me I think I would go but I cannot
leave his stock, for there is no
one to be hired that is trustworthy. I, Saml.
have given up farming, & has taken other
business. Margaret Barker is going out
with him next summer. I don't you
admire his business? He says he don't
think he shall go to Br. I. This winter
he is going to live to Presic, as he has a
good house & there is nothing but a
stream stable here. I think I have written
considerable news this time, don't you?
Will mother & I, know that they may
drop the youngest just as they please
if they will come out, & take care of
it. I must close, hoping to
get a long letter from home when this is
mailed. Much love to you all. I am, &c.

Amelia Barker Esq.
Dear sister,
Sunday afternoon
Linda me just commencing my
weekly chat with the birds and
at home. Received yours of Oct.
27. I saw Mrs. Benson. Grace & I, & Mary
had a great time laughing at what
you wrote about the young. I
am much better than I was
last week. The doctor sent me up
some pills, & I think they have
helped my appetite, for it is quite
good now. The "little" one is croak
today & has been so several days past.
She has the colic & a good deal,
otherwise she is well & grows very
fast, we think. Taking care of babies
is new business for me, & I don't
like it much. I assured you I had
rather wash dirty clothes all day than

to give with a young one? You all
know that I never was fond of
it's taste, but suppose I must make
the best of it now. If any or all
of you think of any name that you
think pretty send it ^{with them} along, for
she has got no name yet.
I think I will send mother a
snip of its hair ⁱⁿ this, & then she
and your son, her grand daughter's
mother looked when she was four weeks
old, I would send some pieces of
her clothes but they were nothing but
white based muslin, & jacanet, & white
& yellow flannel, ^{or something} will send you
one of the visitor's we had Sunday
night, & Sunday forenoon. Well her
evening we were sitting here, when some
one rapped, & who should it be but
James Hopkins & Elisha Tapp, we
were really surprised, for we didn't
think that any of the N. E. folks would

ever venture to visit the Mills.
I was almost made with Elisha because
he didn't go to father's before he
started out. If I had known that
he was coming out here I would
have sent for Abby Pullen's library.
He said if he had had time after
he really concluded to come he would
have gone to our house & ask Mr. Andrews
Caroline Sanforth & Martha Hopkins
came as far as Jessie Lane. P. M. &
Monday morning they came up here.
Cal. has left off many of her city
airs & seems quite favored like.
She enjoys much better soul the more
than she did in N. E. (the result
of exercise in the open air). Expect
Cal. brought the baby a little finer
skin, that she had made & washed
for her. It is the first present she
has had since she was born.
You must send a piece of all your

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