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Letter to Dudley Chase

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Dear Brother Dudley

I write you
this more to tell you that I am a
-live and well than to convey to you
any great tidings. I am going on,
considering all things, better than I
had reason to expect; so that I have great
reason for thankfulness to a kind Pro-
vidence for his many mercies.

The News of the destruction of my
sweet Gilead-dwelling house, by fire,
reached me a few days ago. At first I
mourned exceedingly. The letter containing
the tidings drop'd from my hands ere
I had read it half through. It was taken
up by a friend and finish'd in my hearing.
The perfect Remission and even cheer-
fulness of my dear Wife made this heavy
affliction seem to me to the less, more
than I can describe. Yet I hear ^{by} ~~from~~
later dates from America that the

winter thus far had been uncommonly
severe. This is a sad circumstance
in view of my family in a half
finished School House without floors
or a chimney. And yet my wife
tells me to be of good courage and
go on and finish my laudable
mission without any misgivings on
her account.!!! Blessed be the Lord
that I have such an example set
before ^{me} of resignation & Christian fortitude!
— Submission seems to be
changed into Exultation for such
a signal Mercy.

Do write my wife. and another
letter to my dear Son Dudley
to cheer them.

It is now past Midnight and so
with best love to all friends I am
your most affectionate Brother

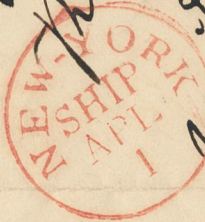
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