

Monticello Sept 6. 69

Dear sister Lizzy:

You and I do not
correspond very freely
but I thought I ought
to write you a few lines

Margaret is very sick,
was taken a week ago
yesterday. She got better
about the middle of the
week, but on Saturday
was taken worse again
and yesterday and last
night we did not expect
she would live. There is no
probability that she will
get well although she
may linger for some

days yet and may
not live a day. Ella
is sick this morning, worn
out I suppose, and it will
be a wonder if Mary is
not down also for she is up
day and night.

The rest of us are well
and the neighbors are very
kind

Yr aff Bro

John E Lovejoy

Sister Sarah

(Cambridge Pk.)
Oct. 12. 1869.

My dear sister Lizzie;

Yesterday
was my birth-day. 63 years, &
I may say, "Few & evil have
the days of the years of my
life been" &c, and yet I can re-
cord my manifold & continued
mercies. I say unceasingly "my
cup runneth over."

12 years since you & I, with
dear br. Brown stood by the
dying bed of dear sister Sybil;
both are in glory. "I am far
from you in the flesh, yet am
I with you in the Spirit."

I wish to thank you dear
sister, & Mr Hammond for
your kindness to Caro. She
enjoyed her visit very much.
The time seemed long to me,
but I did not wish to cut
short her enjoyment.

Caro & Sophia have been with
Mary a week. We may see
them tomorrow. Mary and
family will now - Two of the
children have been sick - Saml.
& Amy were - Anna & baby
also - Marion has grown to a
very interesting age, & is a
very obscuring little body.
Anna is with Anna today
after school. Mr Raymond
out of town. Our weather is
most charming.

Has dear Jennie gone South?
She is young to go so far
from home. Remember me
to all your dear family to
Hattie in particular. Your
beautiful gift I shall prize
very much. I thank you for it.

I wish we might see Austin
& wife. Please tell yr. Husband
we read the "Advant" with
great pleasure & send our
thanks for his kindness.

I am just now alone in
the house but am safe in
sending love from all to all.

Your affectionate sister
Sarah.