

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1847  
Dear Father my family have enjoyed my good  
health since I left Paris with the exception of  
a short but violent attack of the same complaint  
My family have been so severely afflicted with  
one and yet, Lou and Martha are sick yet Martha  
dangerously. It is a disease unknown to us before  
called by some "Cindra Fiance".

This County is a very rich fine County but no more  
healthy than Ohio & Maine or Illinois I shall see you  
perhaps early in the Spring or my return to Ohio I will  
inquire to Cross the Rocky mountains next Spring  
if life and health & expense and cost of passage  
is more salutary than your affectional Son  
Wm. C. C.

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