

The Ladies Home Mission  
came to stay three or  
one the Homea work  
I had the "widow's  
this evening it is a  
good and New Papa  
I think I am doing  
fully well to - and  
you'll love Ellen a  
week don't guess think  
As it is getting quite  
late and old I want  
to wash in the  
morning I think  
I will write to -  
not very soon  
how about it would  
me to have you  
here to night -  
Ellen said she told  
Dr. Wallace that he might  
expect - a case out here some  
time in March he examined  
very much surprised  
doubt as when his eyes were  
that he could not tell  
what the trouble was  
without being told for  
I think I lost minutes  
and some more I feel so  
one more time before  
I go - tomorrow your  
wife may be  
Dear Papa

Yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> came to hand this  
afternoon. I and the children have been in  
town all day did not leave town until 3 o'clock  
this evening I have been feeling pretty well to day  
Ma has been some little better for the past  
two days, Dr. Wallace thought when he examined  
her a few days ago that perhaps she had a  
Cancer there is some lump or growth of some  
kind in the lower part of her stomach Dr. Kitchin  
is coming up tomorrow and they will make another  
examination with perhaps another Dr. in con-  
sultation if something is not done soon I don't  
think she can last long but of course she  
may live for months yet it is hard to tell about  
such things Pa Ellen and Lissa went up to Lebanon  
to attend Uncle Dens funeral Friday, Lissa will  
go home some time this week perhaps Thursday  
Dear Papa you will not get much of a letter

this time for I do not feel one bit like writing  
to night. We did not have any wind here Friday night  
we have been having some nice days this has just  
been lovely at all it rained some last night.  
I think I could wish a piece of your venison you  
spoke of. Elmer amuses himself by playing around  
in the house most of the time when we are alone.  
Papa in your other letter you spoke of it being im-  
possible for you to get home before the 15<sup>th</sup> now I  
want to say this to you that I think you had better  
remain there until you are all through and not  
bring any work home with you to finish up for you  
would get no pay for your work at home and you will  
find plenty of work of your own when you get here  
I should not have written as I did about being lonesome  
but Pat there is times when I am very lonely but it  
would be very foolish for you to leave there before you  
are through on that account I shall do as you say  
keep up a brave heart, and if you cannot get home  
before the last of the month so much the better for  
us from a money stand point, you spoke of the 15<sup>th</sup> now  
I know I can get along all right until the 22<sup>nd</sup> or  
even longer if you were home by the 22<sup>nd</sup> that would  
only be two weeks more and that seems a very short  
time compared with the seven weeks that have  
passed. I should not like to be without you after the  
first of March for I think I shall be sick about that  
time, so dont hurry home on my account I will try and be more  
cheerful in the future with love and kisses from Sam & ever Mary