

My dear Mrs. Belden,

I have just written
a belated letter of welcome to
Willie and will add a post to
you. I often think of you and
wonder how and what you are
all doing. How the years have
slipped by since I saw you!
Have you heard of the death
of little Gracie, Paplu's young-
est daughter? Margaret and
she had scarlet fever, Margaret
at home and Gracie here. So
both houses were quarantined.

and we were in a great state of confusion all the spring. Gracie seemed to improve and was taken home, but she did not rally from the fever and finally sank away. It was a sad blow to her father and mother and to us all. It is so hard to let such little ones go. She was an uncommonly sweet affectionate child. Mrs. Muir who had worked there same says "She was a heavenly child, I have noticed that such do not live long."

Gracie has borne it quite

bravely and with Christian resignation but the home seems very lonely with only Margaret.

We have having at present a succession of missionary meetings. Plainville S. S. Union last week, Farmington Valley conference at Ledyville today. A. M. A. Jubilee Rally in our church next Friday, annual meeting of the C. H. I. S. at New Haven next week, and our annual meeting next week Friday. At this meeting a friend of Minnie Root is to speak. She

has visited all the mission fields
in Turkey, sent out by the Board.
A Missionary tea is to follow the
meeting.

Miss Bowman is to speak today
at the State Conference of the
Daughters of the Am. Revolution.
She is in noted company, Mrs. Kellogg,
granddaughter of H. W. Beecher,
Kate Foote Coe, and others. She is
becoming very well known in
H. A. R. meetings throughout the
State. How are Mary and Ellen?

King regards to Mr. Belcher and
the children, Sincerely yours,
S. Jerome Beck.