

Oxford March 22nd 1879
Saturday P.M. 5 O'Clock

My very dear Ellie.

I suppose you have heard of my safe arrival home ere this, notwithstanding Williams great fears concerning that afternoon railroad train, I must confess I had trouble on the way down but it was with this unforgetting heart of mine, when after reading uncle S. letter, I looked up & who should I see in the seat just before me, but our enemy, or should I call him our neighbour!)

J. Shipman, I did try to pray for him, but I found it

hard work even to love his soul as I am taught to do in Christ - sermon, I think I can pity him -

Well now to business, Junee and I went to see Sarah Weber this morning about her sister Becky, Mrs W. told us that B - was living with a very nice family in Mt Bethel that she liked her place and the lady expected to be sick in June, she was getting one dollar & twenty five cts per week -

Rover is barking, and I see Mary is coming in the rain to see me & hear more about you & William I imagine, I called a minute this morning leaving Junee -

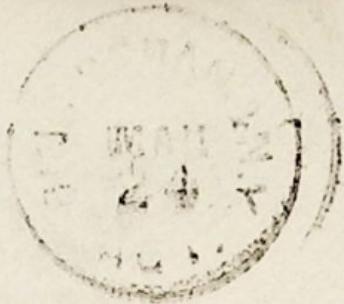
in the carriage (as she was the driver) and when I came out of the house she said I had stand twenty five minutes by her watch -

Monday morning, and I have so many things to say to our dear ones at the Penncraig but it is mail time & I am anxious you should know about Becky and now you best get as good a girl as you can & just as soon as you can and let Mary go home, I do wish I could run in & talk this matter over with you & help you find some one -

Let us hear from you

both very soon - Your
Father Mother & Sisters
were all up yesterday
in haste

With a heart full
of love to you both
Your affectionate
Aunt Ellen



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