

Ans. by C. L. B.

My dear
Mr. H. B.
Balden

Mrs. Wm. H. Balden.

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My dear Mrs. Belden

I was greatly shocked by the notice in the paper of your husband's serious attack on Saturday. Knowing how often the newspapers make mistakes I can only hope he is not so seriously ill as they represent.

I am very, very sorry for you to have such a sorrow & anxiety, for it must be long before he is really well again after such an attack, but I do most truly hope &

Pray that he may rally &
recover entirely - With all
your little ones, your hands
must be very full, as well
as your heart while Mr. B.
is so ill - I am glad to
remember that you have a
sister & I know the people
of the church will do all
they can to relieve your
Pain - I hope you are better
yourself, than you were in
the winter as to bear this
new trial without breaking
down too - Knowing so little
I hardly know how to write, but

I must send you a word of sympathy, &
hope I have done cheering tidings some -

The young men had a most interesting meeting
on Wednesday last Sabbath & the young ladies are
just taking up the study for next month. I
do not forget that I have your Bulgarian letters -
Glad -

With much love & prayers that you may have
comfort & strength from above for these trying
days & nights -

How your friend

Wm. B. Packman.