

Phila^a = 9/24/89

My dearest wife.

Many thanks dearest
for thy letter received this morning.

It is now nearly noon and I have
had people on business talking to me
ever since my arrival. so I am
afraid my note will be hurried as
the time is short. Last night we
had a heavy rain and this morn-
ing is clear altho rather cool. I
am expecting to go to Maryland
to day at 2 o'clock if I can get
through in time - Father Tom
and Alf and Maugt are going

over to cousin Franks to tea tonight
They kindly sent an invitation to
me but if I get off to Maryland
of course I cannot go.

Haym got off to Newport
yesterday for which I am glad.
as he needs a change. I enclose
herewith a letter rec'd this
morning from Miss Ashbridge
It is as I feared it would be -
It does not seem to me the arrang-
ement she suggests would be
the thing for Anna - does this?
She wants lively - healthful
young associates of her own
age. Will the answer miss

Ashbudger's note or see then give me thy views and
I will try and answer it. I am sorry Anna did not
get her note. How would it do for her to hire a large
wagon (say the three seated Kensington) and have a
driver and invite a lot of young fellows say gals and
boys and either take a drive or have a picnic or go
over to Lake Lehigh and have a Chicken dinner or
tea. I will willingly pay for it. I have written to
Charles & Leo to send on another basket of peaches on

third day next - Yesterday a letter came for thee from
Sally Simpson and I read it and forwarded it
let me know - will thee if it arrived. I am glad to hear
dear little Ernest is getting along so nicely. and dear
little Harold he is so sweet - here is a kiss for him
{kiss}. How is Mrs. Sice getting along? I feel so sorry
for her. And now my dear one I must say farewell
with a heart full of love - I am thy loving husband - H.
A letter from Lilly says she finds Mrs. Oliver who is staying
with her a very pleasant companion -