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Rev Mr Lyman

Dear Sir I received your letter last Friday & should have answered it as far as I was able, sooner, but have had company all the week till tonight. We are all well but there has been several deaths here this week & I think Mr Goodrich, Almira's father was buried yesterday & Mrs John Thomas, Catharine Bolton, the day before both more than ordinary Christians. I received a letter from Mrs Rogers last Saturday. She is with Mr Rogers's sister, who lives with a son & wife & three children in East Hartford & with her son Willie & herself they have quite a family. She had been quite

a while with Lydia in Brooklyn & Martha in Hartford but expected to stay in East H for the winter. She wrote that if I would let her know when I could go to Hartford she would meet me at her sisters. Of her health I know nothing particularly but have never heard but it was good & as she helps her nephew's wife about her work I presume it is. She has one son Willie 10 or a doz years old & Fattie ^{her adopted daughter} is in Chicago finishing her studies. Edward Jerome said Fattie had some property enough to educate & keep her. I do not suppose Mr R had much property & presume Jane has not a great deal though my opinion is only founded on inference as I do not know any thing about it. I have written to Jane this evening & hope before long she will make me a visit & when we see each

other we can know more of each other than we can by letters. When Jane was last in Bristol I was sick & only saw her a few minutes contrary to the Drs express orders & she had not been here in a good many years previous to that visit so you see I have had not much chance to know anything by personal observation. I have been looking over some old letters & find I did not inquire some things about your children I should like to know. You wrote in 1868 that your oldest daughter was quite unwell & had been since she was 3 years old but I think from what you said she is better but still not very strong. Your son ~~the~~ Horace could only walk with crutches. Is he better now? I think you spoke of his being lame. Is he the one who is studying for the ministry. Also that ~~Mr~~ had weak eyes. If I had

read over some old letters I should
have inquired about them more
intelligently, Jennie has been home
but has gone back to Agawan. She
has 50 scholars & they tax her energies
a good deal but I think she likes
it. She says if she succeeds she shall
know she can keep school & shall
have more confidence in seeking
a better situation. There was a church
meeting after preparatory lecture today, to
choose a Deacon & Henry Beckwith was
chosen but declined on acct of his health
& Mr. Chick was appointed. If you
are coming this way before your
return West we hope to have a
call from you.

With kind regards
Ans. J. T. Peck.