

I can't tell you how much
I shall miss him. he was
such a good kind friend
to me and I did so love
to wait on him. he has
been my constant care
ever since the winter and
I used to be so afraid
in the night that something
had happened to him I
used to get up and go to
the door between the front
& listen to hear if he was
breathing, and the only time
I felt happy away from
him in the day time was

Sunny side
Monday

Poor Mrs Gay I know
just how badly you
feel at not being able
to be here and do how
much I wish you could
and I feel so long you
could not see Mr Swift
again - I gave him your
message about coming to
see him as soon as he was
well & he said "she will
have to wait a long while" oh

when he took his nap in the
afternoon. I only wish I could
have done more for him and I
am glad if I could make his
last years a little more comfortable
I really had no hope for the
first of his illness. It was so
like my father's last illness
but the Doctor was quite discour-
aged about him on Wednesday
but on Friday he was worse &
on Saturday delirious all day
and so restless - we could not
make him comfortable in any
position. but he knew us all
and used to plead with us
to take him home. he would
hold out his hand to me & say
"Come Miss Sarah let us go home I
cannot stay here" - it was just
pitiful and I wanted to cry when
ever I was in the room. We got
a second nurse, a woman, on Friday
but he did not need her long
Mrs. Stephens son could not have
been near so much gentle with him

If it would be any satisfaction
to him he would
come out for the night -
although he did not or he
if all of this so sudden
so he came & we were all
so glad although of course
there was nothing he could
have done -

My such a blessing. I see
as though there was nothing
to do and still life has
to go on just like some
people must eat & read
must be ordered just
as though nothing had happened

and Mrs Woodruff and the boys
missed him so much - he is
staying until after tomorrow
he had only been on duty
half a hour when he died
at two o'clock Sunday
morning - he just simply
stopped breathing, no pain
no struggle & not even a
movement - he looks so
peaceful and every time
I look at him I feel so
thankful he is at rest -
after his weary days -
Orelia Davis was here
Saturday afternoon & told them

I did love my & home I wish so much
and it is so hard to think of "Sunny-
side" without - them. I don't know
what their plans are or if Mrs
Woodruff has thought at all of
going back - I feel sometimes as
though I could not stay even if
they want me to with out Mr
I wish or Mrs Woodruff and still
Sunnyside has been here to me
so long I'd hate to leave it,
however I suppose they will soon
come to a decision.

I cannot tell you how your invita-
tion touched me dear Mrs Gay.
It was so kind and thoughtful
and you don't know how much I
appreciate it. you have always
been so kind & sweet to me and
I love you very much for it and
I will certainly come to you when I
can - oh how soon I feel for Mrs Woodruff
and am so thankful she has her little
valuable husband to comfort her she did
love her father so much & feels so
badly she was not with him at the
end - but I am sure it would have
been too much for her & am glad she was

with his loved ones -
Mrs. Woodruff is bearing up
better than we feared
as she quite used to pieces
Cold, wet and Convol-
sleep - but we have
persuaded her to take
something tonight as she
must - Keep up for the little
baby - you know how she
would love to have you
with her at this time
but I am sure you are
wise. Your little flowers
have just arrived & Mrs. W.

spared if he was so glad
to have her with him and
when I would go in early
in the morning he would
always say "where's Bébé"
oh they have lost a good
father & happy they
will never know how
good his every thought
was for them all and when
he could hardly sit up
in bed he made me draw
their monthly cheques
for him to sign -
well we must not be selfish
and wish him back, for he
is better for and I am sure has

has taken out a couple of needles -
Please to put beside her Satchel
on the bed and he has put his
own Sorel beside which he always
Carries - Walter Batten & Mr
Palmer are to have the service
at 11 o'clock -

Thank you again dear Mr
Gay for your kind letter.
I will write again soon I hope
to see you -

Yours very fondly

Laura & Stan -