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engaged to be married mother? Why my
dear Dr. the Doctor must be a fine
fellow if he is worthy of his luck in getting
such a wife. I can know nothing of him
but for a while, have thought the not certain,
impartial description of his affianced Bride
and yet somehow few articles Marry go
with my hopes while regarding in your favor
of happiness. I reason thus my judicious little
niec. imprimis I have great confidence in
your own great good sense as to ~~whether~~ entering
into so momentous an engagement heedlessly.
2^o You must have had an excellent opportu-
nity for the exercise of the said good sense while
observing the professional man minister in the
rick chamber of your sister. a pretty sound
sort of domestic trial that for my dear nephew
to admitting his kinship of heart and capa-
bilities of appreciating and fostering the worth
& affection of a gentle true-hearted woman, to
be this proves his eligibility known to be other

wise manifested, by an enterprise his position, a few years ago would not be to much to pay
prompting him to take his fortune westward
and by the profound skill which he has
brought his enterprise as there is no care
of a respectable master of Opus Moxie
In a word my dear Emma thought to gain
all money as a lottery, in which there
abandoned all thought of taking a ticket, I
trust that you have drawn a prize, for I know
of no one who has not, or is likely to have any
thing to do with this sort of gambling who does
richly deserves one. Command me of the state
honor of your happiness.

Living fearing that you should expect me
in Illinois! I have not heard a word from
your friend Mr. Brueckhoff. And from day
to day & week have reported hunting
her what man for his letter breached daily ex-
pects to know the nature of the prospects which
he hints at. I should like much to be here
to have a country seat upon the Wisconsin
which ought to the Hudson is my river of
delight and sloping among the banks far

for it, but my dear I am getting to old to hope
to skip about the earth without knowing whether
or not that part of the planet when I leave
will expect me. My kind folks
hurry him so much but upon his plan to
himself out of the state that it may yet be my
fate too. Two friends of his sister Mary Davis
with her husband are about to settle in Madison
and if I follow we shall make a cotton
across the country from Rock River to Pine
Dr. Chien. I wish to come but my friend has
an so strongly set against the idea that I cannot
venture to cut loose until well apprised what
my fastenings will be in the land of promise.
George's experienced of the west and your
& Julius when you first went on make them
think from the idea of it. I wish your Hoffmann
had a call as engineer any when northward
of Rock River & then I know he'd like the
country. Tell Matilda when you join us for
then that I will write soon to her & the w.
kids the Chilona country for me. And

to your Mother wrote us celeb^{ly} cl^g
to Scoville & took up the interesting story
of her stewardship. I suppose you would like
to know what I'm doing! nothing! I have been
w^g for nine months & get employed. But you
has given me some priv^lately & I wish to try
them for some profit. Here this is written for
to buck up a slave of too long a
Span affronted under
(buck it)

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