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Dear Joe: — Today finds
me almost on the sick list.
For the first time in my
experience of teaching
I closed school on my
own account.

Mother, Eva, & Sam have
pronounced my case
the grippe. I think it
is nothing more than
a severe cold, which has
settled in my throat
this morning.

I had been suffering from
a cold for some time
but had still gone to school
until this morning.

I thought it would be almost impossible for me to talk, the condition my throat was in and, as it was a bad day, they all thought I had better dismiss until Mon.

I do not wish you to think I am bad sick for I am not, but I can not say I feel extremely well.

Grace has gone to the school house to announce that there will be no school, so I presume in an hr. or two I will have many sympathizers!

The meeting still continues, but I think it will close the last of this week.

There is still quite an interest about thirty have united with the church.

Seth is still earnestly seeking
and I believe Howard is too
although he does not manifest
it as much as Seth.

I really think it has been
one of the strangest meetings
taking it all that I ever
witnessed, although I think
it has done a great deal
of good. They are having a
great revival at Bartlett.

Last Sun. we had such a
good young people's meeting
at your home. A great many
spoke of enjoying it so well.
While there I read a letter
which you had written home.
I presume they noticed I
was very much interested
and so gave it to me to read,

Harb & Eliza came back about
a week ago, I do not know
what they expect to do.

If I remember right this
is the week of the convention
at Newark, and I presume
you have been enjoying
wonderful things.

This is one of those muddy
times, almost the first mud
we have had this winter.

I fear this letter will sound
like I feel, and if so there
will be nothing very pleasant
about it, but this is the
only way I could talk to
any extent, so if you were here
I presume I would not get
to talk any.

Sat. Morning - My cold is
a little better this morning

and I think I will be all
right for school Mon. I have
taken almost every remedy the
folks could think of from
hot baths to red-flippin' tea.

I presume you will be very
busy making up back work.
I have been boarding around
among my scholars since
the meeting began. don't
think a pretty good idea?

Sam is going to town this
afternoon and I presume
I will hear from you.

I readily grant the request
you ask in offering up a
prayer for you.

Not more at present
Lovingly
Bertha

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