

Glenwood.

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My very dear Husband.

Knowing your
desire to receive a few lines from
me I improve this time for writing
I have but one subject to write on
that is ~~my~~ your kindness to me and
my love for you in return_

It is about seven years since
we first met and four since the
nearest tie on earth was made between
us.¹ You have always been just what
you appeared to be, but for the last
two years you have been more tender
-thoughtful than before-
I notice your attention to my wants
your interest in my welfare & your desire
to make me happy in nearly every
thing you do and say

¹ Lewis & Lucy were married April 30, 1867.

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I love you. yes I do. I ^{may} fail to
demonstrate this indeed I am aware
I do. yet believe me I do love
admire almost adore you.

I can't bear to think of being left
here on earth without you or
what more likely & equally as trying
to leave you.

May God who made & loves us
all watch over us spare us
to each other many years &
in death see fit not to
seperate *[sic]* us.

yours very affectionately

Lucy