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[photocopied letter addressed to "Mrs Ann Green Washington Mason Cty Ky mail}";
postmarked "CUMBERLAND MI [?] FEB 24"]

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My Dear wife:

Thus far I have had a verry [very] slow, though the speed considerd [considered], as pleasant a trip as I could have expected. The Boat selected by Mr Metcalfe afforded excellent accomodations [accommodations], the officers and crew were verry politte [polite] and attentive but you will readily admit, to be thrown among a hundred pasengers [passengers] for four days without seeing one acquaintance or even one familiar face, must have seen any thing but agreeable. We mist [missed] getting to Wheeling in time for the stages, I then proceeded to Brownsville and getting there after the usual hour for the departure of the coaches, I am also delayed here a day. I shall be all anxiety until I hear from you which I shall confidently expect to do verry [very] soon after my arrival in Philadelphia [Pennsylvania] and sincerely hope your letter will bear the glad tidings that your health has greatly improved since I left.

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Not many moments I assure you have passed since I saw you, that you have not been uppermost in my mind, and the reflection that I am toiling for one who fully appreciates my efforts to render her comfortable and whose approving smiles would make the misers treasure poor without them, have cheered me in my lonely [lonely] trip. Be certain to write as often as you promised. I will write you again as soon as I get a letter from you.

Believe me yours

Truly devoted husband

John Green