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## Letter, Charlotte Lucinda Boswell to Arthur Boswell; 7/8

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My Dear Child

I am constrained once more to address a few lines to you to entreat you to let us have one more word from you if only one, this is the fourth letter we have sent you and have not had one word in reply perhaps you are sick, or in trouble, if so do let us know the worst, we know how to sympathize <sup>with</sup> you we have our share of both, oh how we want to see you, Father often says how I wish I could see Arthur, some times I think you are coming the reason you dont write, if so I will wait patiently, but that would be to great a luxury, we looked for Joseph home the fourth he did not come, says he will come the middle of the month, we shall be glad to see him soon boy Fathers health is better than in the spring but not good, he has failed this spring a good deal - he works beyond his strenghte to live, he dont get enough to live on so he has took a piece of ground to plant, and hay to cut for his cow and horse

which makes it hard for him, one days work  
about uses him up, if Edward was near he  
would help him, but he has to come by <sup>town</sup> Senan  
or stay at Carbondale all night, he is a good fellow  
you would laugh to see him make a fuss over  
your likeness, he calls it his big Brother Lore  
is still a poor unhealthy child, I am afraid she will  
always be so, she is not able to walk and she seldom  
gets a ride, so we dont get exercise enough in the  
open air, she has got a side Saddle to learn  
to ride horse back, she rides very well so far,  
she sends you a couple of Ponies so you can get  
home, she thinks maybe you have use for your  
twenty we expect a letter from Ed this week,  
he writes once in 2 weeks generally, I suppose you have  
heard that Oliver is Married, do write often  
perhaps we weary you with letters I hope not  
good bye Your Mother C. S. M. Boswell

The Picture is my drawing, loose