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My Own Dear Boy:-

Here I am at home again - in the same old room where I used to write to my boy in the days of "Auld Lang Syne" - and I find myself thinking of my own darling tonight, and of what he may be doing this Saturday night away out in the Pan. Handle. I try to be brave my darling for your sake - but what would I not give tonight (if it were in my power) to hear a few loving words from my own dear boy - The time you have been away seems like years instead of months - but I take courage when I think it certainly will not be much longer before my boy will be home to see his lovely baby. We had a very pleasant trip over

Though I still feel a little sore -
from the falling. Guy seems per-
fectly happy. He has thoroughly
investigated the premises. Found all
well except Mama who is not
very stout. Acha stood the trip
much better than I expected. Her
boy is one month old today - and is
a big fellow. How I miss our dear
little chatter-boy. Guy is a dear, sweet,
boy - but cannot fill his sisters

place. I know she is having a fine
time - and hope they will not spoil
her. Quite a number of our friends
have already been to see us. Tell Nellie
that Mattie and Mollie Melugin were
here this after-noon looking very sweet.
I expect you think I have asked you
often enough when you are coming
~~again~~ home - but you know my darling
I am anxious to be there when you
arrive, and I can make my stay long
or short as is necessary. I felt com-
fort with everything at home - and
was afraid if I staid at home - I might
give up and have Typhoid fever.

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I think I shall go to Sunday-School in the morning - perhaps to Church. but as Rev. Chalk preaches at the Methodist Church, and ^{as} I do not admire him - I shall give some other preacher a hearing. Guy is asleep after much persuasion, and I must follow his example very soon. Aunt Hattie and cousin Hattie are coming back to Denton the last of this month. to open school the 1st of Oct.

Goodnight my most precious darling - may your sleep be sweet, and your dreams of your absent loved ones.

Sunday After-noon.

Guy and I went to Sunday-school this morning - It was his first experience but he behaved like a little man - He went with Annie - but came to one when it was almost over - and

began pointing to different things, saying "look there" and got rather noisy - so he and I left.

Frank and I went to hear Mr. Grafton preach today - when I met quite a number of friends who seemed glad to see "Mip Lizzie" - How rapidly time flies - Girls that used to be my school - children are some of them now, almost grown young ladies. I fear that our little ones will get big and away from us before we can hardly realize it. Good bye my darling - write soon to your own loving wife -