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Honl D.D. Stevens

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I take the opportunity by Alexander to write you a few lines, to let you, and your family know how we all are. Our family remains the same as when communications were broken off, Molly & Dudley are our two, Sarah is well & as for myself, with the exception of an attack of Congestion of the Lungs, I have been very well. Mr Marsh is in Jersey, and is enjoying good health, Mr Stewart has no business on

London, the only death
in our family, has been
that of my sister Jane,
some three years since.
We heard of you through
Mrs Dintrop, and were
sorry to hear of Sarah's
indisposition, now
that peace is restored,
had you not better
send her North, and
recruit herself. My
doors are still open
to you & yours, and we
will do all in our power
to build her up. I am
going to take Sarah up
in a day or two to the
vicinity of the White
Mountains, and if you
send Sarah on, we will
take her there, I don't
think her ears will be
much shocked with the
sentiments uttered here,
The North having done
what they started to do.
My, Preserve the Union
seem to be settling down
to go to work again. I
do not allude to matters
of the War, for I see no
use in it, words written
do not always express the
intention of the writer.
When we meet, You & I
can talk of the matter
as a thing that was. I
must congratulate you
on your famous Call-
to-arms, I trust it will prove
to you all that we hear
of it here, Will you
be kind enough to cit

me out a sample or
two in the square, &
send it on to me, for
my Cabinet, and also
my Nephew, Be hear
Dudley is married
Mary has grown quite
a stout hearty woman
Let one of you write
& let us know how you
all are

Yours truly

My dear children
My June 28/65