



Richmond Va
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My dear family

I am able to write a short letter this a. m. although I have just recovered from a slight attack. The Dr fortunately came in just as it was coming on & saw me through - He was sorry to see me suffer but glad he came in while I was in trouble. My friends are very kind - Mrs Mosher came to see me yesterday morning and sent complimentary tickets to a musical entertainment Jimmie went but I did not. He will write or tell you about it - Dr Safford called this morning and entertained me while I was sick. The arrangement is for me to go to the "Retreat" & Jimmie has made a visit there to secure me a comfortable room. This is not exactly a hospital but a building used for the treatment of Chronic diseases - A resident Physician who attends all the patients & it will be well for me to have some one all the time near to attend if I get sick - My Dr has prescribed & I have taken the 1st dose - Asa foetida & Blue mass - I taste the miserable stuff & in a few I have dined on garlic only - He says my liver

is dormant & must be aroused & action before
he can operate on the nervous system & hence
the medicine. Bro Laurens came in this a.m.
and sat an hour with me - It is so pleasant to
have my friends call - The Dr thinks it will
require a week or ten days for him to get me
gauged or rather find out what treatment
I really need - He finds no organic trouble
about me and thinks he can easily relieve
me - but it will take time to get me straight
again - God grant it may be so -

I cannot write more now - Jimmie
must fill in the balance - God bless
you all - Your affectionate
Sister -

The "Retreat for the Sick" is a beautiful
place in the heart of the City and they
will charge us only \$14⁰⁰ per week,
whereas it is about \$30⁰⁰ at the
Hotel - The Dr thinks it the very place
for Yathu - I went all through it this
A.M. & was very much pleased.
Yathu slept well last night but
has not been very comfortable today -
With much love, Yr affecn J. A. S.