



Burlington Vt. April 28th  
 Rev. G. Lyman, Forest Grove  
 Oregon

My Dearest.

You may wonder to receive a letter from one dated as above. I have for some time, needed to have some dentistry done; I having employed an dentist here; who has done excellent work for me; thought it better for me, to come so far, than to employ another, nearer home.

After having so much drilling, sawing, punching, filing &c. going on in my mouth; it is difficult for me to keep still enough to write; but will try it for a little while.

Have rec'd. nothing from you; since I last wrote to you; but I

hope to find something from you, when I get home next Wednesday. I left all at home, in usual health. Was sorry to leave home, on account of being unable to hear from you, for so long a time. Have thought many times since I left home, how much pleasanter it would be, if you were in company with me.

We are having a pleasant rain, which is much more comfortable than the dust, which was very troublesome when I was in Pittsburgh, yesterday; also here before the rain commenced.

Vegetation is starting some - grass is quite green in spots; & Trailing Arbutus blossoms, are quite abundant. I suppose that things are so much more advanced where you are; that it may

to you, seem strange that I should mention such ~~things~~ items.

It is possible that you may be nearing home, by this time. You spoke of being absent from 4 to 6 weeks, & 4 weeks have passed, since the time you thought of leaving home. I have not yet rec'd. anything written since you went from home, but as you told me not to be anxious if I did not hear from you very regularly; try not to be, & trust that a kind Providence has watched over you & guided you; in the past, & will continue to do so, in the future.

Would like to write more, but it is nearly dark & I must close. I trust - I have written enough to show you, that my thoughts are of thee, continually. Your loving Margaret.