

Comey, Pleas May 4<sup>th</sup>

My dear wife

I scratched  
off a few lines to you this morning  
just to save you the dis-pleasurment  
of not getting a letter. I know my own  
feelings in such cases and truly I draw  
sympathy with my dear little wife  
when the postman passes by without  
a line from your husband. Mrs  
Hornby is with his men working upon  
a circular road leading to his house  
the weather is so wet and bad  
that nothing else can be done. It  
has rained constantly for three days  
past and judging from present  
appearances, there is no prospect  
of a change. I do hope it may be some  
warmer and pleasanter by the time you  
come. My own sweet precious baby  
it does so gladden my heart when I  
think how soon it will be when I shall see

once more my sweet baby in my arms  
I am calculating on your being here  
this afternoon a week allowing you  
leave on Saturday night should you not  
go before Monday I then can hardly if  
just you must before Wednesday or Thurs-  
day afternoon I don't allow Mother  
to defer your departure till Monday  
go Saturday if possible. You can start  
either Pittsburg all day Sunday and should  
you feel disposed you could leave  
Sunday night for Cincinnati next thing  
in the morning start all day at St. Louis  
and take the 11 o'clock train on Mon-  
day evening for S. Louis. That would bring  
you home by easy stages. The cars from  
Pittsburg to Cincinnati at night would not  
be crowded and you could have plenty  
of room to sleep. I am so carried away by  
my feelings that I have been hit a poor  
person to advise you as to your future  
proceedings. One object is now before me  
and that is in what manner to leave

Get you home the soonest and at  
the same time do not come jaw any  
fatigue My sweet life from Bernice  
is indeed so anxious to have you with  
him. It is a sore trial this type parting  
from you baby life and I so  
it shall soon be so again. So when  
I will you must ever accompany  
me. I have now been only four weeks  
from Phila and yet it seems an age  
It certainly is the longest month I  
have ever passed. And hope you had  
not found it the same. Oh Baby  
it is so sweet to dream of the pleasure  
you are to experience when we are again  
together. The ladies and walks through  
the neighborhood and see a number  
of visits to our friends. They are all so  
anxious to see you. Get it will be hard  
for you to resign again these friends who  
the how can sharon stimulate entire  
and good. How Annie and Mary  
Brown will carry on and the Duke

Comments as these will be on  
your departure. I am afraid it  
will almost make you less glad  
to see your Bonnie I should your  
Cousin Belle be safe remember  
me kindly to her. I am glad you  
let Catherine go to Baltimore I think  
she will be better satisfied with you  
I hope you will let her that she could only  
go to church on any other Sunday, it would  
be impossible to send her every Sunday.  
She could go with Annas servants.  
You had better let her understand dis-  
tinctly all your intention to give her some  
first give her other nice give her better  
not bring her on for me may have her  
I see Mrs H & I are going up the road  
to look at a house a man has for sale  
on our return write by and shall a mo-  
ment for a few more words to  
you my sweet child Tomorrow I  
will add a line or two and then say  
Good bye till we meet on the Car