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Tampa, Fla  
Saturday morning  
January 30<sup>th</sup> 92

My Dear Husband

Your kind &

Welcome letter bearing date 25<sup>th</sup>  
accompanied with a letter from  
Boyd(?) reached me yesterday noon  
Ant this makes three letters I have  
have had from you & one from  
Laura besides the one you sent  
me (?) yours & one from (?)  
& one from Frank with yours  
& I have answered the all &  
one from uncle (?) (?) /  
to (?) & I answered it I got  
your letters the day I wrote to  
you after I mailed it Mr. (?)  
brings them up from the Bank

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they are all taken there I wrote  
to you the day I got my trunk  
I got it just 2 weeks after  
I left home I tell you I was  
happy to see it I am sorry  
that you have been sick but  
hope you are well by this time  
Hattie had a bad spell yester  
day morning coughing and  
choking for one hour I thought  
every gasp was her last but  
since that she seems much  
better She sits up every day  
2 or three time a day ou  
On the porch Loes(?) wife (?) was  
out yesterday for a (?) had  
a nice view of the bay if  
Hattie only gets well enough  
to stand the trip we are going

[page 3] down the bay to gather sea shells  
She says we shall go(?) any  
way if she cant go(?) I am quite  
well and if you al get a long  
nicely I am so glad Only all  
be good & God will provide  
for you all I am trying to be  
good & will for I have nothing to  
hinder me I have not heard  
an oath utter since I have been  
here & they all ar so good & kind  
to me even the color girl  
waits on me as if I had (?)  
gets me the best oranges in  
the yard Poor Hattie says Oh  
Aunt Sally what a comfort it is  
to have you with me but Oh  
it is so lonely here at nights  
oh there is no place like home

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If we ar ever so poor I would  
not live here a year if they would  
give me their home When you look  
out the ground is white with sand  
so it looks like snow after night  
we have lots of musick every day  
the band at the hotel commences  
at 11 oclock & plays till 12 then  
after dinner the flying Jinnie(?)  
starts up It runs by steam &  
it is close by Hatties in sight &  
the nigars ride there till 10 Oclk  
at night the musick is pretty good  
& the nigars have a regular Jubilee  
There has ben quite a number of  
ladies friends of Mrs Spaffard(?) called  
tell OB I will write him soon

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On Mar (?) 8

(?)

Mrs S is one of

The first

In the place

Well I must

close write

often & I

will answer

with much

love to your

self & all the

rest God Bless

you all give

me all the news

Mother

Wilson tell me if you got that letter & don't forget the H.

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You have (?) any of you & if you have

plenty to eat I & I will send a stamp so you

can write

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Did any one tell Harry I was here