Worcester Jan. 26th 1843

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Aunt Bethy is improving this mamma much. The doctor was at this morning & he says it must be so. Poor old lady it is a very severe thing for one of her active habits to be so confined but it is the will of God that it also be so & we must all look upon this trial as from him who does not willingly afflict the children of men, but chastens whom he loves. I am sure Aunt B. loves at it though she does seem sometimes a little discouraged.

A. H. W.
Dear John

For some time I have sent nothing to nor received nothing from you – After a very delightful visit in Providence I am again as you will see by my date again at home. Aunt Betsey is improving this [Ms. illegible, crossed out] much[]. The Doctor was up this morning & he says so & it must be so – Poor old lady ‘tis a very severe thing for one of her active habits to be so confined, but it the will of God that it sho[ul]d be so & we must all [Ms. illegible] whom this trial as from Him, who does not willingly afflict the children of men, but chastens whomes [sic] he loves & so Aunt B. looks at it, though she does seem sometimes a little discouraged - & downheartened [sic] – Miss Lucretia [Ms. illegible] is
staying with us. She appears a very agreeable quiet girl. In Providence you were often engaged for by Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Sarah Brown. Who spoke very highly of you it is now one of the prettiest girls in Providence. Miss Candace Allen - Miss Letitia known who like you, I must excuse it. I had a delightful time there & shall depend on account of it till I see you. When the event will be my limited knowledge of the future events. Will prevent my informing you with that degree of certainty which would not only be very pleasant & agreeable to me but I flatter myself from previous intercourse which you Doctor! 

& I have had together might be in a very slight degree of pleasure owing to you. What, in the present distress is the best for you an opportunity for your affording to those to whom you are well known. Your not only dear & much attached but undeserving & unavoidable,
staying with us, she appears a very agreeable pleasant quiet girl – for Providence. You were often enquired for by Mrs. Arnold, Miss Sarah Mauran, who spoke very highly of you & is now one of the prettiest girls in Providence. Miss Candace Allen – Miss Letitia [Ms. illegible] who likes you – Samuel spoke of you – I had a delightful time there & shall defer an account of it till I see you, when that will be my limited knowledge of the future events, will prevent my informing you with that degree of certainty which would not only be very pleasant & agreeable to me, but I flatter myself from previous [Ms. illegible, crossed out] intercourse which you Doctor! & I have & I [sic] have had together might be in a very slight degree of pleasure giving to you – What, in the present distress is the prospect of your [Ms. illegible] to those to whom your noble profession send as you not only dear & much attached, but indispensable & unavoidable,
to that unfortunate & pitiable class, who having none of this world's goods have many of the troubles & misfortunes of this temporal world — that pure & uninterested benefit which it is not only in your power to render but your highest pleasure & delight; dispensing your favors without taking anything in return.

As to my own prospects, John I can not inform you — for to inform you would be to suppose myself informed — which lamentably is not the case. Whose soon to see you in New York & that something may come along that will be desirable for both of us. There is a great famine of news here — the Democrats have taken possession of the state, which occurrence will interest all to those who are truly in favor of political liberty & economy of the revenue.

I have not heard a word from any of the boys is new here but am worse informed of their health this letter to other members of the family etc. Who is looking rather sick from a cold — his mother is very unwell — I hear that you wanted the map? Yes that belongs to your boarding house. I enclose it.

Very truly your brother

[your signature]

[Handwritten note]

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Very truly your brother
A. H. Green

[P.S.]: I forgot to mention that the Episcopal Service is now every Sunday performed - &
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Letter from John P. Green to an unidentified recipient at 75th Avenue, Attleboro.