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 there late. We all feel much for your desolate condition  
 Your letter came Saturday, & at the same time one  
 from W. R. Chapman - nothing special therein - Phelps has  
 been at Andover and tried to do all the evil he could.

I have been very anxious about the  
 of the poor and particularly the poor  
 in the light of the whole West  
 you in winter since W. Washburn

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Deborah Weston.

Care of James Newcomb Esq.  
 New Bedford.  
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I had a note from Aunt Mary in which she says that  
 found me has been some time since the of peace quiet among  
 about her. She is now better than the man. Constance is going to  
 advance to her Mary on the 4th of July. The good night  
 Mary of Whigham with the Smiths. I shall probably be  
 in Boston & would you send me there. I shall  
 write to you in about a week, though it is doubtful  
 whether I come or from next Sat. I expect to stay  
 in Dorchester part next Sunday - Constance will come  
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