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My Darling Clara

This is Thursday night about 11<sup>th</sup> o'clock. We went to see some girl taught and I am alone in store about 9 o'clock. I am as homesick as I can be. I do wish I could wake up in the morning and find my Baby 'head on my bosom. My dear. Dear Clara. I love you with all my heart. and I hope you will never leave this long again. Don't my Darling get Lame and without me. I wish I knew whether you die ~~or~~ not. I am expecting a little ~~baby~~ tomorrow & now my dear I am going to just pray with every thing, though that I do hear from you. Worked on my Books until I got home to death. Then I counted ~~our~~ blossoms. In hand 1210.

It was quite a job to count them. Mr Puckett painted the room inside today and we give it another coat tomorrow. It looks prettier tree. I am going to have Mrs Pittie wash the windows &