Dear Husband,

Your arrived the 21st at the same time we received news from the steamer. As your stay was so short in Havana I think it impossible for you to have received my last directed to that place and therefore shall write some things which I have before rewritten. The family are all well at present but have been very severely attacked with colds the two boys were quite ferocious. My health is not so good as usual but I do not expect to enjoy either very good health or spirits at present as would be very gratifying to my feelings could you be at home. That I might have one who would feel for and sympathize with me. In second this winter has been very limited. But the children afford me much amusement especially little David and went to help me a little he has overturned the ink and a fine looking sight is he. Dromey was married the 14th of this month to Eliza Sears daughter of the late Almond Sears she has lived this two winters past to Uncle Joseph. Though Aunt Olive and myself were called upon to officiate considerable in the courting line we were neither of us able to attend the wedding she has been rather feeble this some months past you have doubtless been informed of the marriage of Capt. O. Horsey to Miss L oracle N. Horsey which took place about 4 months and a half ago she has lately had a fine large now
Capt. John Bully's wife and Dr. Abraham Chapman have lately died. The former from taking after confinement. The latter from consumption. Grandmother is not expected to live but a few days at most, as she has been very feeble this sometime. I shall not write any business concerns whatever, as I suppose Christopher will give you a full account of the same. Write as often as you request me and write something to the children, as they are very much interested in your letters.

Yours affectionately, Polly T. Crowell.
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3 He is Remegio Lewis of Brewster.
4 Capt. Oren Howes and Sukey Nye Howes were married on 31 October 1843. Their son, unnamed, was born 21 March 1844, and died 3 days later, 24 March.