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Mother-

I received your letter this day. I am glad to learn that you are all well. I have been in good health since you heard from me last, and in fact I have enjoyed good health ever since I left home, in 1849, with a few exceptions.

I am glad to hear that every thing of Gees on right in Pa. It seems that they are being married off in turn, although I cannot see by what rule their turn comes; it certainly is not by age. You and Richard are silent about George Harth, is he married, or has he left? But I must ~~stop~~ stop this talk about things that don't concern me for young women are articles that enter not into the miners bill of fare. They are either imported per order into this country or else they go poorly after to the Atlantic States. A friend of mine went after one last fall, came back last winter cost him the sum of twelve hundred dollars - dear creature.

In writing to you I find nothing to say ne body here you know no news of any importance. Richard said that one of Mr Gees sons was in this state I should like to know where abouts

I should like to know if Mr Rogers  
has ever heard from Seth  
you will see by the superscription  
of this that I am not in the same  
place that I was in when last I wrote  
I spent last summer on the Arceuthobium  
river about 50 miles from here you will  
now please address Mudsprings Eldorado Co  
I have nothing more to say so Adieu

I am as ever  
Barly Bedford