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DESCRIPTION OF REPRODUCED ITEM:

Elizabeth Huntington. ALS (Elm Valley), to Frederic, 1843 Oct. 14. In: Porter-Phelps-Huntington Family Papers, box 12, folder 9).

Rev. Frederic D. Huntington

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Boston.

Elm Valley Oct. 14th 1843.

Dear Frederic,

The date of this letter reminds me of the departure of our dear Mary - it brings with it solemn recollections - and by this the heart and life should be made better. We seem to be passing thro' the furnace again - I pray that we ^{may} neither despise the chastening of the Lord, nor faint at his rebuke.

Edward left us this morning for Deerfield with his wife - your father took them up in the carriage to stay a few days - and got Doct. Williams' advice respecting a complaint of the bowels which has troubled ^{him} ^{or} with or two - this and loss of appetite have reduced him considerably - but his courage holds out for the voyage he thinks if he could get on board of the vessel he should find relief - but this appears to me like the foolish fancy of a sick man. - He is waiting to hear from William Nichols. - It is a time of doubtful expectation with us - pray for us that our faith may not fail.

Mr. Willard who is going to Boston on Monday, has
agreed to take the butter. I have put into one box 12th
and into another with Theodor's 2th. I think as it is
all newly made it will keep good till you have
made use of it. It will keep best in a stone jar in
the cellar. If you wish to have some laid down for
cooking let us know - Perhaps you would like it better
to have ^{it} sent often as you use it.

The butter and lard, will be left at the U.S. Hotel.
Write us often as you can to us, and remember me
to your wife ^{with} much affection - most truly and
devotedly your mother
Elizabeth -

Please send the towel home with the boxes.

Received of
the U.S. Hotel
Boston
Oct 10 1862

