

Sally, & myself; adding 'Oh!' how I would love to see them." 13B
Sister Lizzie has been with us two weeks lately. She looks
older, but seems cheerful & pleasant - and I missed her much
when she left. Phil. came & brought his boy to see her,
Maggie, not being so situated that it would do for her
to come. He was very good, considering it was the first
time he had been from home without his mother...
Joanna sits there, poor thing - & thinks of the departed, says there
are no such people left, - they were so good, so lovely, - and how
happy we were. The troubles, vexations, &c. are all apparently
overlooked or forgotten - and pleasant memories dwell upon -
until her lonely situation, many changes, and losses, seem
overwhelming. - How is Cousin Miles, and how art thou
thyself, after such a long, cold winter? - I hope you will
not put off writing to me until you get to 'Watkins' Glen'
again - but write now, & then too. That was a very pleasant
letter - & bears reading again & again; - Now with much
love to my dear Cousins & my Sisters - to Jane & Francis and
other children of the family, as there is opportunity - to your
dear Sisters particularly - in all which the girls unite -
I remain my beloved Cousin, thine most affectionately -
R. H. Hopkins.