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how her eyes beamed with apparent joy as she said this to our excellent older sister, whose tears fell fast. - Such recollections are a confirmation of our faith, and "I must remember still" that is if the Lord wills it to be so. - We know, mind and memory both fail in some persons, in the decline of life - sometimes sooner. Dear Joanna Plummer's Grandfather, whose remembrance did not know his own children for some time before his death - but seemed as happy as a child. - Had a letter from Sister E. B. Hopkins of Richmond, Indiana yesterday. She is in her 80th year she says, & health the past season good. Philip & family well, with exception of Colds. "Margaret White, & Bettie Hopkins" are kept here, fearing they might be injured if many took them home. When she was sick, she sent for "Margaret" - Kissed her, and kept her on the bed by her several days - and then sent her back, saying she feared she might be spoiled, or broken. - She wishes her to keep the last sent her until she is grown - that she may know what manner the girls dressed when she received it. 7th day, the 9th. My paper is about full. The girls are busy with domestic duties. Weather damp, & all join in love - hoping you will not defer writing so long any more. - Always glad to hear from you. I could write more - but expect you will be glad I am about to close - Very affectionately Thy Cousin
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