

N. York April 11th 1837

Dear Toph

I hope this will find you ere
you depart to the West. I write amidst the
hurry of much business, to say good by, and
bid you be of good cheer. When I look
around and enquire for my friends, I find
that they are few, very few, but among these
few my eye rests on you. I would feel deep
regret at the thought of you going to so great
a distance from the place of my abode, and
at experiencing the interruption of our intercourse
which distance of place must needs occasion,
did I not hope one day to be near you again,
in the West. Like the Bloomsbury affair
a fair experiment. By all means let me have
your first impressions of things on arrival there.
Let me hear whether the Colley buildings are all
of logs or part logs and part clapboards, &c.

whether the students were there in summer.
But to be in earnest, I hope now that you
are leaving your father's house, God will bless
you and keep you, make you greatly useful
in your sphere of action, and prepare you
for his heavenly Kingdom at last -

So prays your Brother

J. M. Lee

P.S. I hope to see you in B. about the 1 or 2nd
week of June - You may appoint preaching for
me a Sabbath or two, if you please -

Your letter reached me 5 days after date -
The reason I enquired for Mr. Wilson was that
I had heard he was reported to Mr. Crawford's
secretary -

Yours, J. M. Lee

Philada. March 12th. 1837.

Dearest Soph

These letters came today from N.Y. & were opened partly to see if they were worth sending after you & partly to see if they contained directions which should be attended to in Phil. I believe you want all your letters forwarded, but some of us thought that it would in many cases be useless to put you to the expense.

We feel dear Soph that there is a blank occasioned by your departure. We are longly missed but keep up your spirits. A bright career is before you, if you only hold on. Frequent letters will bring us much nearer each other, & I hope they will not be spared. We will faithfully reply to all yours. Nor will be offended if ours are neglected, nor cease to write. Do write.

That every blessing may attend you, dear Soph &
My earnest prayers
H. J. W.



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