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Dear Susie

Henry said you  
didn't come with them to  
see me on the boat, because  
you were "humping up your  
back" on account of my neglect.

But his lordship makes all  
sorts of speeches about us women  
folk & I'm not going to believe  
him. Susie I was so unwell  
& Mr Stone so unwell my  
last days in Hartford that  
nobody ought to have ex-  
pected any thing of me - it  
was all I could do to get  
through each days work - Mr  
Stone is now better & improving  
daily but I have had a bad

influenza cold which has  
affected my head & eyes & I  
have hardly been able to write  
even to Charley - but I didn't  
forget you - haven't forgotten  
& never shall forget, words  
without end Amen - so these  
words - I send my Christmas  
cards, one for you one for  
Essie & my love to all yours  
wishing you many more happy  
years on earth & happier ones  
beyond.

Your ever loving  
A. B. Stone.