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Dear Eva: - or mother,

just now and aunt Mary yesterday. O am doing fairly well with my family cares =

Yours letter came yesterday.

The staff piano sounds high. Am thinking to think it better than the others. I would not consider the Everett but if the Conover can examine it really a fine sounding piano it will probably be worth the money as I find in my experience they last very well. I insist on being pleased with the individual pieces. A piano is not good because it is a Conover or Steinway or Chickering. What I have said of the Conover applies well added force to the statement I made. I have greater confidence in the quality of this pianist than the Conover.

No pianos except the Steinway perhaps, last better than the Chickering. But if the staff sounds better buy that. It ranks higher on the market than the other two.
I have played on several Steinway pianos but those I have seen have delighted me. The Bonover usually has a very good tone but it is hard for me to enthusiastic over any one I have ever seen. I played on a grand that did not.

You may have seen my letter of commendation of this same piano, Bonover people publish it.

The financial to Bach is apt to be shallow and a little dry but if it sounds well at first its name should be spelled "Chronic" for it certainly costs. No piano improves with age.

Julie goes north to Canada next week in the 15th. She will be gone all summer. I have rented the house furnished for $100.00 to Mrs. Roby-Robinson's mother with two grown children to look the company. They keep our cook which guarantees good usage.

Mrs. Dawson has offered to defray expenses of Millie's trip.

Almost as pretty and bright now. I wish you could see her.
That to have you gone for so long but it such a good way to save money and Helen will see her father and she will miss our trying summer weather and Alma will do better the second summer in a cooler climate and do so forth.

I will go partners with Mr. W. B. Browne in house keeping. Living ought to be cheap as he has a good garden coming on.

Oh do glad to hear you are still doing well. Mother and Mary both write cheerfully of their work and prospect. Mothers letter to day said something about Uncle Alonzo's death. I had not heard. Am so anxious to learn particulars. Mother writes very seldom indeed.

Tellie sends love.

Yours always,

Henry Howell