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My dear General:

I appeal to you today as a man who, I am sure, has a heart to sympathize with human struggles & suffering, for you say you have been the guardian & lover of little children, but you can never know, may you always be spared such ^{agonies} a reality! The sharp despair of the creature caught in a net in very sight of her suffering little ones, flatteringly & falsely in face of the danger she was flying to prevent.

When you wrote Mr. McKinley some weeks ago that you would be in Washington in a week or so you would call your house on T Street. Reasonable terms, I asked him to let you come at once because I felt I must get away

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Will not be...
Motherless address...
temporarily lodged with a grandfather who is
not at all equal to the burden
of caring for five youngsters, the eldest is a girl
who is bravely playing little mother for the
youngest an infant of six months. I could never
forgive myself I could never forgive the
needless obstruction that held me back, should
any misstep ^{from want of intelligence or experience} after the labor use
loss of precious life. Now why may I not con-
plete the necessary arrangements & begin to get the
house ready at once, the Research Center
hauled & many things must be looked after
to make the home habitable, the one
week at Knas is all I can spare, I must
just take the trip to the South to get the children
to the new life with me, don't you say
that I can have the home
at the Research Center