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8 a.m.

Sunday Jan. 17 | 1909
"Rochford"

EB

Wilmington
Del.

Dear Lizzie: They all say "Elizabeth" is on the mend. I have just been in to see her. She & her mother are eating a "preliminary breakfast." I reckon it is Bessie's preliminary but her little daughter's real breakfast. She has a good appetite, & Joseph said last night: "The trouble is to keep her from eating too much, as she can't take any exercise." They heal the ^{incision} slowly from the bottom up, so

Bessie's Fall
Mamma
Sam
John
Joseph

much pains last night to tell (3)
me how careful they (Lu & Bessie) have
been to have the best possible Doctors -
and how extraordinarily attentive the
family physician had been. Of course
that all went without the saying of
it; but Joseph in his complete
and precise way liked to tell me.
So one ^{of} the ^{men} ^{at} the ^{Union} ^{League} ^{met} ^{me} [&] ^{enter-}
tained me at the Union League

of Phil a last evening early,
& I came down here by the B & O.
R. R. I stayed at the Station
till Joseph's carriage came
for me, getting here by 8 P. M.

When Bessie came, she gave
me a nice supper. My dinner
was about four & we were
all safely in bed before 12.0.
I will write Harry by & by. Breakfast
(mine & Otis') is now ready
Love to all - including Harriet & Susan -
Lovingly Yours Otis.

The child ⁽²⁾ must keep as
still as possible. Joseph
& Bessie dined with Augie
(Latimer) Lee & husband last
evening. I came & found Otis
here. He seems perfectly
contented with his work at
Candem N.Y. ; has to rise 20
minutes before 6, & is now
working over ten hours (an
emergency, to finish the ship
'Michigan' by March or in
March next.) He is a cheerful
heart & well and concerns as
well as his mother.

Joseph is well now. He took