

Bedford, PA July 28, 1866

My Dear,

Mr. Buchanan and myself arrived safely at the Bedford Springs on Wednesday afternoon about two o'clock. I stayed there one day and then came into town and stopped at the Mengel House, kept by George Mengel's brother. I have a fine large room and the house is very well kept. There are a good many strangers at it among the rest ~ Prof. Schumacher and his wife. Also some Southern ladies. The rooms at the springs, with the exception of those in the new cottage, are very poor, and even those are not very good. All of them are very poorly furnished. My room at Mengel's is larger in every respect better than Mr. Buchanan's is at the Springs. There are from two to three hundred visitors at the Springs and probably fifty or more strangers in town. Charley Suesskerott and his wife are at the Spring.

I feel quite well, as I always do when among the mountains. I think the Bedford water would do me great good if I could drink enough of it. But you know how little I can drink.

I hope all of you are well. There would be some enjoyment from me here if you and the children were with me and we had old Toney and the carriage. I expect to be home early next week but I won't fix the day in this letter. I will write again on Sunday or Monday and tell you when you may expect me. I hope Mary Leslie and Gussie are well and good children, Love and kisses to all of you,

Yours,
JMC

Mrs. JMC

