

please give one of these
Books to Johnny the other
to Clarence

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U. S. Sanitary Commission.

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Dear Ma

I received both of your letters
and I was very glad to here from you
I received a letter from Thomas and John
John has not got a house yet - he is well
Dear Ma you state you would like
to come and see me I would like for
you to come but I know you could
not stand it - ownly think a ride
of 200 miles to a strange city - what
if any thing should happen to you
what would become of you I know
you feel anxious about me but I
beseech you do not worry about me
I am gaining a little I can almost
walk so in a little while I hope to be
home once more with you I will now
close

Your Son

William

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H. S. Secretary Commission.