

Wailua Jan 24th '38

My dear Sister,

Your letter was gratefully received a few days ago. You say you can know your feelings at times, in prospect of approaching Spring. I do think my own sympathies sometimes extend to the depth of your feelings. I feel it more deeply from the fact that Providence has made it our privilege to contribute, or at least to seek to contribute to the bodily comfort of our Brethren & Sisters on this Is. We feel a responsibility, an obligation of great weight resting upon us, but even the same Providence has thrown obstacles in the way of our fulfilling what in other circumstances would be a plain duty, but dear Sister these trying circumstances are not accidental, more than others, they are mixed in love & mercy - You have before this received the Bro's letter in which he expressed his wishes. We felt that to be the only course which could secure kind medical & other aid, such as should be had. In case of your being at this place, it is quite possible that we might be thrown into a dilemma from which it would not be easy to extricate ourselves, either of us. You will judge to what I allude. The probability is strongly expressed by Maria's letters that Gen. M. will be at L. if so I think you would be fortunate to be there, since you would be obliged to go earlier than would be desirable, but we must not mind trifles. I hope & believe that we shall all be guided in the right way. Sister V. spent the day with me day before yesterday. Some threatening symptoms induced them to come to K. M. M. earlier than they had.

