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My Dear Friend

after such a long &  
dreary silence I now make another  
attempt <sup>to write</sup> after so many others  
But it seems as if fate  
would not permit me to until  
I wrote the death of my little Darling  
Baby she was born on the 24<sup>th</sup> of  
January & she was one of the  
sweetest little Darling Treasures it  
seems as if it was more than we  
could stand to part with her  
she was <sup>so</sup> dear I only wish you  
could of seen ~~her~~ your little name  
like as such was her name  
Oh Nora we miss her so no tongue  
can tell. it pains me to write  
but you must excuse writing

+ mistakes write soon and tell me  
all the news I have never heard  
from Aunt Mary ~~from~~ a long time  
do you see her very often give my  
love to your Ma & sisters.

Alice has got a baby about 4 months  
old it is a cute little thing Alice  
& Harry sends their love Ma & Dunc  
you're in love to you & all hoping  
to hear from you soon I remain  
Your ever loving Friend  
Maggie