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Peehew, Anhwei, China,
March, 23, 1933.

W.H.P.

My dear Lizzie:-

How like old times to receive a nice long letter from you! How good to hear of our Lord's dealings with you and yours. Surely He still has some special work for you to do in raising you up from erysipilis in the form you had it. Am so glad one son lives in your home and that some of them were with you in your serious illness. I sympathize with you in the loss of your mother, but when they are ready and waiting for that heavenly home, our loss is their eternal gain. My birthday is Sept. 16th and I shall be 58 on my next. Time does fly!! And Elizabeth is the preacher's wife. I knew she makes a good one, and being so much like her mother and having her name, she can but work HARD!!! May she be spared to a long, useful life. I love all your children and am still much interested in them. I do trust they are all "seeking FIRST" the kingdom of God and His righteousness, even though they are not preachers or preacher's wives. Miss Gatheart was before my time at All Healing. I

dreamed last night of Miss Helen Hampton's getting ready to marry. She was a sweet woman and I loved her very much. I do not know if Ada is living. I never hear from any of our former friends except Eva. I get glimpses of the tin from the papers and I realize that the U.S. is in about as bad a fix as it is possible for our country to get in, but so is every other country, and I believe all these things point to our Lord's early return. May He find us all watching and waiting for Him when He does come. How I would love to roam the woods near your home with you this afternoon. We should likely find many wild flowers as in olden days. I'd give fifty cents just for the thrill of gathering a bunch of arbutus! Get out in the woods sometime for me! You know not what a treasure you have till you live where there are none for 33 years!! As sorry you have lost some of your property, but thankful you have enough left to keep you. Use all you can to honor Him and help spread His Gospel the world over, and He will never leave you to suffer. Write me when you can. I love you with the same, old time love, and consider you as one of my most faithful friends. Affectionately
Arthur T. R.