Jany 19th 1902

Dear Daughter

After severe illness for two months I am just able to write you. My suffering has been very great from a disease I never heard of before called Shingles - a disease of the blood and skin never fatal but tormenting. I have taken 150 doses of Strychnine - 50 doses effervescent Salts or Soda - 3 or four dozen Lithia tablets - and quinine and Strychnine and Zinc &c

I am in my 87 year

and free from organic trouble.
I am yet confined to the house and suffering from weakness and neuralgic pains remaining in my left breast and shoulder.
The weather is remarkably mild & sunshine and spring like this morning.
We are all getting along as usual.
Buddie goes to live in Kensington a country village the 1st of March.
Then is the time for you and Alfred to come to live with us and make Washington your permanent home.
There can be no reason against your doing so. Consider it and decide to come and make a happy family and home.
Mrs Vest is in Baltimore and will visit Washington next week.
Congress is waiting at lively nothing from Ala.
Your mother is in fine health and anxious to see you.
Come as soon as you can
Do write us.

Your mother & father

Letter from Senator
J. H. Pugh to his
daughter Mrs.
Alfred W. Cochran

Letter
from
Mrs Cochrans
Father

J. L. Pugh.

Ala.

Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Pugh.

Thursday.

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