

surprised to know that you
knew nothing of your Father's
illness until I wrote you - but I hope
to trust he will yet be spared to
you, & to us a long time - Ah! Well
he is indeed a Godly man - his
example is on the side of the blessed
Savior - Give much love to Di
when you can, accept the same for
your own dear self - and man -
Write soon and believe me

Your friend

M. S. Baldwin

P.S. Do excuse my haste - I have just
finished a long letter to my
disobant Sister Harriet -

Mary -

Ellen Bates is in town -

Duke is in Hamlet for one week to
come -

Tell Di the story is - (probably true too)
Loppy has a day