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Rev. Samuel Morse,  
Bloomington,  
Ind.

I left the University  
last Friday. I received a  
letter from <sup>my father</sup> ~~father~~ stating that  
my father was very ill  
and for me to come  
home at once. You  
were absent from Bloomington  
at the time, so I did  
not get to see you,

so I thought that I had  
better write to you and  
give you reasons for my  
absence from the University.  
My father is very ill,  
and there is not much  
hope for recovery.

I cannot tell when  
I can return, it may  
~~be~~ so that I can return  
within a few days, or  
I may not get back  
again during this  
session. I cannot leave  
so long as my father  
remains in this condition.

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