

From Paul Lawrence Dunbar

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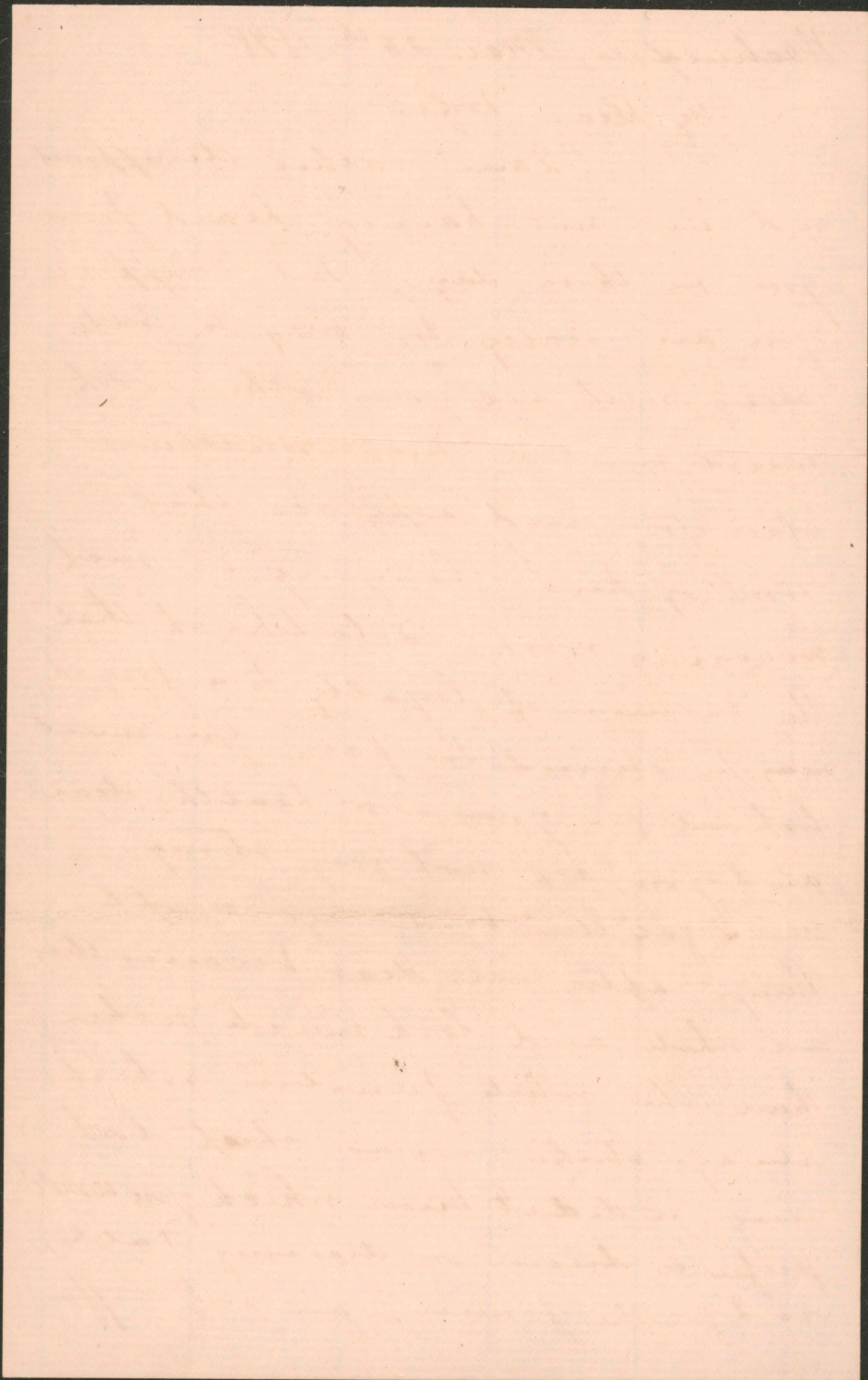
To, Miss Alice Ruth Moore

Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear wife:-

I am rather disappointed in not having heard from you in three days; but I suppose you are really too busy to write. dear, with all your other work, must you be Mrs. Matthews' slave, too, and copy all that work of hers? Copying is such wearying work. I do think that the business of loyalty to a friend may be carried too far. You must look out for your own health, dear; and you are not very strong.

I got the bird-eye maple things after all dear, because they are white and look much richer than the white furniture which always strikes me as cheap looking. I didn't know which you would prefer a dresser or dressing table, so I got the former - an oak chiffon-



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ier, too, for myself.

Attended Mrs. Davis' monthly
"at home" last night, had a pleas-
ant time, but left early to avoid
being asked to recite. Judson
Lyons and Rucker were both
there on exhibition. Trust Mrs.
Alice Davis for trotting out her
lines to go through their paces.
(Ho lines for thro' paces, I'm sure
I don't know.)

Rebekah informed me very dram-
atically the other evening that
she was sure I would never mar-
ry you. Well I won't.

The book should have been out
this week, but will not be out un-
til next.

I must close for lunch

Lovingly
Your Husband

