

Morrison. White Side Co. Ill July 17th 57

Dear Cousin I have waited long for a letter from you but conclude that I should have to wait a good while yet before I got one first, I am as well as usual and hope to remain so. I have not been sick but one day since I came here, that was Friday. it was awful hot and I worked to hard. I have been a haying last week for Linus Williams. and have not got through yet he has fourteen acres more to cut. There will come on harvest which will take up the most of these weeks the grain crops is good they say that it never does better some of the farmers will commence to mow a good many of them have been waiting their barley this last week. and have got pretty much through with it, the corn looks good but needs rain. it is getting very dry of all the Dearthish hot weather that I ever experienced it is here. it is sad that

I so believe that Dayton's thermometer
abated just if it was here. Yesterday it was
pretty cool to what it has been for a week
I went to Morris on the thermometer stood
at one hundred and twenty in the shade
I have wished many a time that I was in
old Vermont long enough to get cooled
off. Grain is down wheat is but six ^{cts}
per bushel corn 4.0 oats 3.0 potatoes
81.25 and I defy a hog to eat from it ~~to~~
that we just commenced having new ones
made it has been rather slow coming
for me. I have not had but four
measures of them since I came into the
State but hope to live again soon
I wish you was out here now you ^{could}
~~to~~ better throw harvest in the bag
they say will range from 1.50 to 2.00
per day Lewis has got 80 acres of wheat
and 40 acres of corn 20 acres of oats ~~to~~
harvest I get my dollar and a quarter
a day work in churning and I don't work
nearly hard at that: aunt Hannah has

called to supper: goodby until I get through
with that. Well I have got through at
last I demolished about a peck of new
potatoes and full as many peas besides
a quarter of a strawberry shortcake
besides other things in proportion
to night I am going to see some
of the corn but folks there is ~~thunder~~
within a little ways of here, if you
don't ~~to~~ I should pick one for you
I think that I can suit you to a charm
there is a peerly here and a small
gal she is too. I hope you ^{will} ~~will~~
tell me how Doctor gets along with
the superintendency of the light house
and whether he has struck a light
yet or not, I can think of nothing
else to write this time, give my love to
all. so good bye for this time
write as soon as you receive this
and all of the news.

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