

Quilting

Pr say tell him that ~~you are~~ ^{he is}
alive & kicking, has gone to milk
& my little boy is talking & kicking
in my lap so if it troubles you
read this lay it to him

but I must stop
will try to do better next time
from your sister
write soon

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tell B. I got her letter & will
answer soon

direct to New Bedford

I did not have a good
chance to send this. I'll
write more please excuse it

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Dear Brother

Having rec'd a letter
yesterday I thought it best
to answer it directly.

The weather has been quite
warm the past month but
is cooler now than in June
The grain is ripening quite
fast R has cut his barley &
his oats look quite ripe, he
says, crops look quite nice
and I hope will be better
than last year unless the
bugs take it, corn looks nice
it is rather dry, & very dusty.
& windy to-day, the children
have just returned from
the Sabbath School, I have
not been in yet would liked

to have gone to-day, but the wind
blew so hard, I did not like to
go out with the baby, you ought
to see him, I tell ~~him~~ them
he is as smart as any of the babies.
I have had two ripe apples from
town, three for five cents.

How did you spend the fourth?
I staid at home & we had green
peas but no new potatoes & baked
beefsteak, I enjoyed it
finely much better than if I
had gone to a celebration or
picnic & eat their nice pies &
cakes.

I have a great appetite for
potatoes & green things, went
to a quilting last week, have
known of but two since I came
into the state, they are not very
common. if you will come & bring a
few girls I will have one

I have not seen David for a few
days. I expect he is pretty well
his cold hurt him a short time
ago quite bad. I hope you will
not get such a horse for fear
it might be hurting you.

I am still looking for a letter
from Amanda. But I suppose
she is so engaged housekeeping
that she cannot find time to
spare tell her I will wait pa-
tiently a while longer.

I have made two cheeses but
fear they are not very good I
would like to see some person
make one if I could & learn how
better

we have a hired man pay him
twenty dollars a month some are
asking 250 a day but I hardly
think they will get it a dollar
half is enough



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