

used to be known as the Ireland horse
d by D. Bidlers horse. Grey. Norman
which is some 17 hands high. Put
took the purse in 3 straight heats
time about 2-45. Swabbeats we
trotted for by Charrner (who has
a new driver & has made her
with this fall in 2-33) & the
Budding Chieft (John F. Rich)
owned by George H. Thomas. Crowell
the Chieft is a gelding raised off Rich
& years old. Buck will know about him
but Charrner was too much for him.
She had the poll & beat him only
2 feet the first time but
done better the next two heats
times 2-38/2-40 & 2-39. pretty good
considering the condition of the track.
There was a good pile of money
bet on both races. The fair was
at Crow. Point the 1st of this month.
There was no show. A complete
fiasco in short. Oh what a look
at the trotting does fill one's heart
nothing to go with Charrner there
was for pile of runs & pile a gun
for flights John's. Paul was
kicked by Benson. Look in the
bowels of the & I think it doubtful
whether he ever gets entirely well.
Ed. Sunderland & D. D. will write about
of them both. Albert will write about

Dear brother Sam

Bridport Oct 11th 1868

We received a letter
from you last one - and was astonished to
learn from it that you have received no
Vermonters from us - also a number of letters
that we have written - for we have answered
every one you have written & wrote two or
three beside, and have sent you every
Vermonters we have had for the last three
months. Perhaps were you to enquire particularly
you might find them somewhere. We have
thought all along that we were the forgotten
ones - for at one time a number of weeks
passed by in which we heard not one word
from you, while we wrote three letters during
the time. There must be something wrong
somewhere for I try to write the directions plain
enough so any one can read it. The oil you
sent us is at Mr Whitfords and he is going
up after it in the morning. Why didnt you

write us how much it cost. We are a great many times obliged to you and will make it all right with you. I must tell you one thing - I think you will come home if I tell you - we have got 3 barrels of new cider in the cellar. Besides a number of bushels of Apples & 70 bush of potatoes & 2 vices hogs in the pen so we don't intend to starve to death and if you will come home we will find enough for you to eat & drink. Charles Green is going to School in Vergennes - thinks of going till the 1st of Apr. We all went to the Middlebury Fair. but it was no great affair after all. He will tell you about it I presume and all the rest of the news. I must tell you Et & I have got our new dresses done you gave us and they make up splendid. Give my respects to Sarah & Russell and accept much love yourself from

Your unworthy sister
Amanda

To Lewis

Ed will see common
Jennie took Loyals horse & carried Ellen & Louisa to meeting & Charles most carried Et. Ethel & Carrie Ben. Corcoran went up home again & stayed all day. Will & George stayed with us. I went to Vergennes yesterday. Will went & got him a new pair of boots so he is big as a giant. Laid out George's new suit on Will's old ones & they have been a fine to day. I am & Et have just come in from Loyals. By the way Loyals has another girl a few days old. went to the fair at Middlebury last week. There was a very small show of stock not many sheep except Stewells. There was a pretty good lot on Thursday some \$300. dollars in prices raised some so they did not trot till after 3 o'clock in P.M. Stallion's horse was trotted for by Lewis Hopes bag horse & Ben. Post