

Green Plain Feb the 8th 1857

Dear brother and sister

I have once more been
 permitted to see a letter from you I had almost discourag
 of hearing from you again there was a report here that
 the Indians was very bad in your vicinity and I was
 afraid you were all massacred - but the deeds above
 and the rest is found.) but before I proceed further I
 will tell you we are well my family consist of my
 husband self and two boys Luke and George but
 my health has been very poor since you left Ohio but it
 now is improvin g We live near home on the Mass Patrick far
 owned by James Bullington Land has become so high here
 that we hardly ever expect to buy land here if we owned
 but one hundred acres of land here I would be content to live
 here and let them go west but have money better than I do
 I visited your old farm last winter it is at 50 dollars an ac
 I should think a man you might write to Lydia and I
 I would write if I had to take a baby on one knee and
 my paper on the other I want to know how many babies
 some folks have how the Old Gentleman and Lady like
 and so on so Luke Ellworth is with us some
 of the time this winter their family has grown up till
 they have two young men and three young woman they
 quite intelligent young people Luke is teaching in an ^{district} school ^{to only} all day

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