

Root
Dec 11th, 1864

Respected Husband,

Yours of the 3rd came safe to hand last night and was glad to hear that you are well yet. We are all enjoying good health. I am glad that you received your gloves and socks. They charged me one dollar freight on them. That with the cost was too much to loose. Tomorrow I shall start a box of victuals for you and they tell me that will cost me five dollars freight and that will take the last money I have got - but let it go - as long as it is for your comfort I will pay the last cent I have. The pig I did not weigh, but we think it weighed over one hundred pounds. We have about six inches of snow here now and is quite like winter. I send you some over five lbs of butter, beans, sausages, cake bread and mince pies, 1 lbs of tobacco, cheese, dried apples and berries, bottled pepper sauce, tea, sugar, dutch cheese, green apples and one pair of socks.

Ike Fero wants to buy them springs and steps and wants to know what you will take for them. Write down what you will take. We enclosed a letter from Aaron to you the last letter I wrote so you will know as much about them as we do.

John asked me this morning if they should not go fox hunting today. If Grand-Pap had not taken the gun off we would go. The turnips did not amount to much; not bigger than walnuts. Millard says we feed you good. Hiram Littles wife has got another boy by tight nippin. I guess this box will make you think of home.

Yours as ever,
Harriet

No room at the bottom so I will put my name at the top.
J.B. Walker

Now Jake Walker will write a line to an old friend. The saw mill I think will be for sale this spring as Sol Hubbs intends to go in a cheese factory over the river and means to sell out and I think it would be good property for you to buy. He asks six hundred and fifty dollars for it and you can pay for it easy by turning out your bond. If you want me to do or say anything write to me and I will do anything I can do for you cheerfully. Write and let me know. I wrote you last week about it which I suppose you have got by this time.