

Simber Hills. March 2nd 1860

My dear Husband

I received
your letter on last Wednesday
and I was pleasantly surprised
to hear from ^{you} as I did not
expect any at that time.
I had only answered yours
the Sunday before and did
not expect to hear from
you so soon again. It was
none the less welcome for
coming unexpectedly. I
assure my dear Father
was down yesterday and has
sold out so will sell my
next Thursday and Sarah
is going with them and
I don't know who I shall

get now. Mother and her
are coming down next
week and I am going to
do all I can to prevail
on her to stay. Father
brought my chickens down
and I kept a dozen and
a half for myself and sold
Mrs Wakarusa a dozen for
\$3.00 I thought that was
better than keeping them.
Mary has the same number
that I have and I thought
that we would have no
trouble about them.

I have got my cow also and
we have what milk we want
to use. Father says we will
let me have one of those
hogs back again for
the same price that we
let him have it for

I have not got the rest
of my things yet and guess
I shall not get them very
soon for they have got to
working on the farm and
will be very busy for a
long time. John and Jenny
were down today but went
home sometime ago. Ru was
down with them. She has
gotten well enough to run
around again. Mary and
her girl are getting along
finely. She has not named her
yet. I have not heard from
your Photographs yet. But John
is going up this week and will
see about them and for fear
that he not hear from them
will let us know when you write
again where you had them
taken. Come home in July
and see the boys won't you?

~~Well I have not time to~~

I am glad that your Captain
is such a good man and
that you have so many
religious companions.

It will be quite comforting
to you and a pleasure to
me to know that you have
so many helpmates. Father
brought me \$25.00 and said
that was all was to have
write and let me ^{know} if that
is what you wanted me to
have. I can't write any more
this time but I will write
often and wish you to
do the same to your loving
wife and Laura

Eliza