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Lumber, Ills. June 12th 1876

Dear Husband,

Yours of
May 21st reached me
safely, and found Laura
and myself well. And
I am improving the
very earliest opportunity
to answer it. I am
always so glad to hear
from you that I know
you are glad to hear
from us. Therefore I write
as soon I can after
receiving a letter from
you. I am glad to hear
that you get my letters

regularly and hope you
may continue to do so.

I am glad to hear that
you are well, but sorry to
hear that your eyes are sore
and hope they will be entirely
well ere this reaches you.

I do hope you will get home
but am fearful that the
news is too good to be true.

I do not think that you
will get home in time to
take care or rather ^{to} see to
having me taken care of.

You need not be surprised
to hear of it at any time.

I think you must have
milk bread with cornmeal
and flour mixed together.

I wish I could send ^{you} a
jug of molasses I know
it would taste good with
your bread.

Abe Hutchinson does not
need your money any
longer and I told father
to let some other responsible
person have it as I did
not want to have it lying
idle. So he went to
Harrington to see if Montgomery
wanted it. I am glad you
got father's letter for he has
been feeling badly thinking
that you might think he
had forgotten you. John wants
to buy some of the little pigs but
I won't sell them until I hear from

Laura is well and says
she wants her Pa to come
home. You would laugh
to hear her tell her little
stories now. I kissed her
for you. Good bye for to
~~night and will very soon~~
to your loving wife,
Eliza

P & Father sold your
oats for six dollars. Grain
is low. Corn only 40^{cts} per bushel