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Dear Brother John

Your letter was received yesterday morning, and your check for one hundred dollars in the evening. I am very grateful for your kindness and thank you heartily. I had not thought of your sending me anything at present for as long as things continue as they are we manage to keep things going. so I will for the present put this money in Harold's keeping and should a time of need come to me again I shall leave it to draw upon. My dear brother this is no small favor and when the time comes that we

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can get something out of that land, how glad I shall be to repay you, how, or when, that day will come seems to be all uncertainty at present, but it is in good hands, and I just leave it there, trusting that brighter days are before us, and that each of those who have lent a helping hand to hold the property, will get their own and more.

There is one thing that has not been in my mind when I have written to you before but probably David or John Reid has mentioned it, before John Reid moved his family to Kansas David came to me with papers that John had had made out ready for me to sign deeding one section of

the land to Maggie, and she or John I forget which, deeded the house in Crest to me, they hoped to sell the place before they left, but up to this time have been unsuccessful. I suppose it was simply a matter of convenience for them for the time being until John was able to settle his business. David is just as much buried up in the Store as ever, they have rented their house to a relative of Ettes, have reserved pleasant rooms for themselves and board with the family. in this way Ette can help him in the Store, to much better advantage than any one else, having been there so long she understands the business

and likes it too. Mr Parry has
 a state office which keeps him
 away from home nearly all the
 time and in this nearly all
 the responsibility rests upon
 David. I was sorry to hear that
 Mrs Strout was not feeling well
 I hope she is recovering her strength
 again. I have at this minute
 received your last favor, Grace
 having just returned from the
 Post Office, tell Helen I was much
 pleased to receive the picture of her
 cat, also that I like little girls
 and enjoy looking at the photo. I
 have of her. I hope she and Grand
 received the lot I sent them last
 month. If John Reid comes out to
 you, you may in time be more at
 liberty, and the climate and the
 change of climate will surely be of
 benefit to Mary Ann. Love to all from