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good case, last winter, my work has seemed easier, although there is always enough of it. I think we will have rather a lonely winter here, Mame will be teaching school about six miles from home, Relie in Town, and Gracie attending our own school. Johnny Love has gone to Feb - he has three sisters there now and they thought it would be a good thing for him to come too, so he started with John Rice this week also. Oh John it is so pleasant to think of you all now, I can almost see you. The pleasant home among the trees and flowers, and surrounded by those grand old hills, I can remember the form, of every one of them, and something of the wonderful beauty of their light and shade. when I look around ^{your} the door yard, I can see the door open, and Lovie come out with little Grandy, the darling,

Port Hope, Wis. Oct 19th 83.

My dear Brother and Sister
It will soon be a year, since Mame and I started on our journey to California. truly time flies swiftly. the woods here are already brown and wintry looking, indeed we have already had enough of frost to remind us that it is time we were using all endeavor to prepare for the days that will soon be upon us, when there is no place so comforting as the fire side. We are still on the Round-hill farm, but if we may judge from appearances, it may not be for more than the coming winter. Harriet is anxious to sell, and there are those that would like to buy the place, so probably there will be a bargain made before long. Harriet feels that he is not able

I have felt that I wish I could take her up and kiss her, then John comes wandering up from that old fruit house, and the group is formed, bye and bye Grandpa, and Grandma come driving up the road when the circle widens, and is complete. I must tell Grandpa how Wheeler Hanel makes kisses, to send off he just makes crosses with a pencil so x. one day his Father gave him an envelope with a printed address on it, to play with, he had been teasing his Mother about that time to write to Aunt Sarah (Sarah) so when he got the envelope he thought he could manage himself, so he found a piece of paper, got his pencil and filled it with kisses and put it in the envelope sealed it up and as the post Office is not far off and kept by his Grandpa, he took his letter and dropped it in the letter box without being noticed.

to work the farm himself, and he does not think it pays to hire. if he does sell out, we will probably go to Neb-. John Reif has been here for about three weeks, he is as much delighted with Neb- for a home as ever. They will feed about four thousand sheep, the coming winter, and you can guess at the quantities of hay and corn they have had to put up for so many. Maggie has been better than usual, the past summer, but for some time she has been down at about the old place. Anna is not very strong, and Jessie is teaching school. the younger children are well. Perhaps you will have heard of Sister Annies continuing ill health. I think I told you in my last letter that she was at Phillips, trusting that the piney air might be a benefit to her. she came home nearly a month ago, her cough worse than

ever. several Doctors have advised her to go to Neb- so she started with John Reif last Tuesday morning. she thinks of spending one or two of the coldest months at Kansas City with Joanne^{the rest of the winter with Ann and Maggie}. she hopes to come back better, in the spring. Celie is attending school in Portage, and is staying with Mother, in that way she is not alone, if it can be managed C- will be there all winter. by the way, John, Mother is yearning very much to hear from you. she wrote to you in the spring sometime and has had no word from you since. she thinks it unusually long. Mother keeps well. I went to Loma and had a good visit with her after Annie came home. she is growing quite deaf, unless one talks distinctly she does not hear. it annoys her very much. I still feel the effects of my long rest, and your

when the letters were gathered up, the one without the stamp was pinned up on wall, so that the person sending it might see the back, the next time he came, so when Willie went to the Office he knew the envelope at once, and so found out all about it. This is a story for Grandey, I shall expect to see a Kiss in that way from her some day soon. I can imagine Louies look of disgust when she opened that box of Lilies, you see when yours were sent, we put also a few in the same way, so that we might see just how they would look when they reached you. I was very sorry, all I can do, is to try again, another year, if I have an opportunity. you Louie will give me directions, and I will try to follow them. And now I must close, it is nearly dark. remember me to the Doctor and Mrs. Shunkel. With much love to all. I am yours affectionately Sarah