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If you arrive from the night-train stop over night at the California
 Hospital it is but a few steps from the depot - if you the day train come
 the hat of quite a factory and not for John Mann
 about two minutes walk
 from the depot
 directly across
 off your
 brother John

afternoon June 9th 1866

Dear Jerry I have just
 read of your Dutch difficulties
 and am as pleased at the
 thought of seeing you as soon
 as you are perturbed by the
 prospect of leaving Buff

As for employment - here
 you may come along and begin
 work in our shop in five minutes
 after you step from the cars at
 10 or 12 per week and you may
 remain here winter & summer
 until you are gray

In a month or two you will
 likely be able to get \$15 a week
 I have been working by the piece
 at plough handles, but have
 now got a steady job of running
 the principal circular saw in the
 shop at \$18 per week

to go there or if when you do go you find that matters
 are not very favorable come here at once

Osgood & Smith called me
 aside one day and told me
 that they wished me to stay
 with them and gave me the
 privilege of changing the machinery
 whenever I could improve it -
 and I am sure that they will
 be pleased to get another steady
 Scotchman I would have no
 difficulty in finding a job for
 half a dozen like you
 I send you tonight \$25 I would
 send more but I have lent - with
 man \$50 and another \$10 a few days
 ago but I can send you ten
 dollars a week as long as you
 like if you need it -

The man who used to be foreman in our
 shop is now partner in a hub & spoke factory
 in Cleveland Ohio. Now Cleveland is a health-
 ier and prettier town than this and you might
 if you like call there and tell Mr Rothrock
 that I advised you to call there and seek

a job because that I was afraid you might have been
 in Indianapolis but if you do not feel like