

caught cold and this morning had
chuck along to for any one. However
it requires chuck in this country

I will
now close for this time hoping
to hear from you again soon as an
opportunity affords my kindest
regards to all and yourself

Yours Respectfully
Lush

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Friend Ed:

To day finds me trying
to pen you a few lines in reply to your
welcome letter, that came safe to hand
in due time, and found me in quite
good health, with the exception of a
bad cold, was pleased to hear from
you again, but regret to learn that
an other had gone the road that our
traveler returned to. many has gone
the same way since I left there. both
old and young, and we to must sooner
or later follow after. I expect not-
hing else than to receive the news
of my mothers death, as she is suffering
with the same fatal disease consumption

have tried to get away and go and
see her but impossible at this time
as you are well aware that when one
is subject to military rule he is compelled
to submit many things that he would
not otherwise but then I am only
about 4.00 miles from her and cannot
get permission to leave. owing only
to a scarcity of troops in this locality
well I have a gear more than I think
I will have a change for a while.
well times are dull as you are
nothing transpiring to cause much
excitement weather good, and fair
prospects for an abundant crop
if nothing happens. Had a plenty
of rain and things look promising.
grasshoppers have not made their
appearance yet but East of here
they are cleaning out everything as they
go and south of here in the Indian

Territory among the Delawares so Jacob
states in his last letter to me. large
wheat fields destroyed by them as
they are small and cant fly they
eat things clean as they go

I should
judge that you have some of them
Kansas winds fly over there way
once in while. but they do not go
in small streaks like that.

I guess I will have to be excuse to
for this letter and call it square
all around and turn over a new leaf
what say you. Still I have no reason
to complain to you but you have
towards me. I have nothing else to
do and you have. but the less I
have to think less I want to do

I do not feel like doing anything
to day as I am under the Dr
care had tooth drawn yesterday