

Silver Mines,

Duluth, Minnesota.

Jan. 12th 1884.

To Hon. E. M. Dick,
Old Friend.

Again I scribble unto thee; ha. ha.
undoubtedly you had foolishly
conceived a vague idea; that I had
been unwise enough to "turn up my
toes," not so, friend "Eddie," I still
rove among the most active. And hope
you are yet to the front also.
but if you have "croaked," I
will finally meet you among the
"blest." Do not be surprised
should I look in upon a party
of Brothertowners on old "Washies"
Birthday. for I would enjoy a
good "old fashioned tip," among
my friends once more in my old

ancient home. Well Eddie I
must trouble your good nature
once more, by insisting that you
send me all the news from good
old Brothertown, the ups, and downs,
of "Zeipie and Wick," or in other words
from Uncle Alex^r: Louis^d and Willis,
and tell me if Aunt- Desdemonica
is still alive, and Aunt- "Mary Jo,"
Delia^d and Jake, and how is Oscar J.
and his wife Ellen getting along.
and what about- Aunt- Hannah^d and Wick
also Uncle Hezekiah Fowler, and Eddie
I want you to be sure and give my
well wishes to Hira Welch the first
time you see him, and I would like
to hear from you as soon as
convenient, with news from yourself
and how many children have you?
and how old is your eldest, how is
Orlando Dick, and Henry Fowler?
if Brothertown edits a paper, send me
one, that I may gaze thereon, when
I receive a copy of a Brothertown

paper, edited by a genuine
Brotherdowner, then I shall
exclaim. Lo And Behold! for such
is the progress of my fellow townsmen
then shall there be clashing of
heels. (in a genuine clog) And weeping
(for joy), while flash upon flash,
will be seen; (belching forth from
a pair of proud eyes.) ably supported
by the strong voice of a Minnesota
Miner.

Well Eddie, it is
nearly train time, and besides I
must away to the old silver mine
to attend (And cod a little also) to my
brave boys.

that so fearlessly blast-
But- all danger is soon past-
And their days work done at last.
Then home boys we will whirl
And feel happy as an eurl
While hoo-doo-ing the kitchen girl.

Well Edmond,

no use! I must terminate abruptly.
I ho.. I hate to (tell) but then I must,
I want this epistle to take the first

do not get
aback over
this prose
for you may
get aback
over this prose.
ta. ta.

train (captive) ^{and} it has only 20"
to do it in. Hence this "haste,"

so you must-

Oxcooze me, Ed-die, you can
plainly see that I am Oxcoozeable
under the circumstances.

I must bid you tral-lal-lee.

Yours in

Heath, Weath, nd Steath.

Geo
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Please
write
soon.

to