

And a poor pen in the bargain
So please to excuse my
Bad writing and spelling

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1860
Dated This first
of April ^{1 day day}
sir Mr Asir Dick And Brother
I recieved your letter on sunday
The first day of April AD 1860
I am very glad to hear from home
And am glad that you ar to work, work
Eadgar and asw and try to the best
that you can together this summer
Boys be steady and kind to each other
so that when the time comes for winter
schooling comes you can be ready
For it i guess that is all in that line
The post office is a bout three or four miles
from where i work i like the place very
well though east from where i work is
very hilly the land looks very well
There is some very nice houses east of
where i work They hav got their men
hard at preasant Terij Nearty wou
ld like to hire a hand probbly a bout
the fourth of July for a bout two months
Threw his hain and harrowing

There probbly will be cradling
Enuff to do by the acre there is
A considerable cradling for the
Ar soind a good deal of wheat
I am about seven miles southeast
from pondulack a bout south
Or rang south with the green
Bay road a bout six or seven ^{miles}
from the corner from

Mother this is a long way
To send for Young Hyson tea
I should thought you would
Whether sent for cold Hyson tea
Young Hyson tea
Naomi Johnson

I am glad hat your ar well and all the
West of the folk

Thank u can find work enuff to do
When I try to find the work
it would you that it could not tell
Where it shoul go to work
it liv on the west line Eden and the
East line or Byron Eden and Byron
road

I think that it is a very long
Time since i hav heard from him
It is very inconvenient to send
Or to get a letter in less some
of the MacCarthy goes to town
I hav went to town once since
I hav ben here the prices of grain is
The same as in pondulack from
april the 7 from 85 to 95 to 96 cents
april the 11 from 100 to 103 to 105
April the 12 to 102 to 103 and 104
April the 13 to 101 to 102 to 104
We never heard from ^{there} again
untill ~~unmay~~ the tenth

Curedy about the same in price
Ans for girls there is noo place
I could not find no place or else
I would wreat sooner and trided
to got it to an ancer sooner some
Way the crops look fine this
Way plenty of starq work