

can hold the trade there
is one fellow working
hard to get in thys place he
was here today and wanted
to buy a chance in thys shop
he said he was coming here
some where any how if he
couldnt get in thys shop he
would get another stand here
some where but they said
if we would ^{get} a first-class
barber in here they would
patronize thys shop an account
of Mrs Fowler so you see there
is quite an excitement in
Regard to it; Wal as paper
surface is getting small I shal be
under obligation to bring thys
Epistle to a close desiring to hear
from you in return my respec^{ts}
all the boys & n. self So here goes for yours
to a Close Yours Truly From
O. A. Hart

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Brother E. M. Dick

I thys Monday
Morning take up the gold pen
with the wooden stemrite here
among men to try and pen
a few lines for a line to let
you know that my mind is
on you thys fine morning
as a warning that I have not
forgotten you so that I may have
A letter due me from you so that
I may hear from you and the
rest of the people out that way
where they mak hay that will
pay some day, Wal E. M. today
finds me injoying pretty tolerable
good health for an old chap like
me. and it is the sincere desire
of my heart that thys epistle
may find you injoying the

Same grand old Blessing
for that is the main staff of
thys Broad land of human
flesh wal. E. m I got through
here all rite after a while but
I thought - i was a long while
geting here I had to lay over so
much all along I guess i ^{wont} give
you the details of my exploits
thys morning you can ask W.
L. Fowler and he can give you
a sketch of it wal (Sah) I like
it here verry well so far the
people seames to be verry pleasant
here that is so far as I have
got acquainted with them there
is some verry good looking men
here but (oh) dear such humbly
women all most makes my
face ache to look at some of them
some of them doesnt look to me
as if they had any business
on top of the ground for

They look to me as if they
would do most any thing
that come in their minds (oh)
E. M. Dick there was a big wedding
last week over cross the way from
Hices I tell you the front yard
looked perfectly Splendid now
dont you forget it - it was all lit
up Splendidly with those
Egyptian lanterns oh didnt
it look nice though (ha) the
Mariage Cerimony was out
on the Piazza oh it was butifull
to look at There was some two or
three hundred Guests in attendance
and whether you believe it or not
I had a taste of the wedding cake
didnt it taste ^{good} though (ha)
thys is quite a lively place
here there is quite an amount
of buiness done here in thys
place it is a Splendid place
for a barber shop if one shop