

Brookertown June 8th 1839

Dear and Affectionate Daughter

It is with much trouble of mind that I write you a few lines this morning to announce to you the heart rending news of the Death of your uncle Ransoms little babe which died yester about seven o'clock in the evening. His Funeral will take place to day, at the Church at 2 o'clock, he was taken sick one week ago last Sunday Knight with the inflammation on the lungs, and from that the complaint went to his head, and the poor little fellow must suffered dreadfully, he did not close his eyes for two days before he died, but keep his head on the move the whole time, two of the other children are sick, Rosetta & Allis are both very sick, Rosetta appears some better but Allis is not much better but they think that she appears some better, the rest of the family are well as usual with the exception of Meriah she is all most worn out with trouble and care, which she has had to under go.

I can not write you much but will write you about the sick, Mother is very sick she was taken down yesterday with a chill and the Doctor was called, and he thought that she ~~would~~ had the chill fever, he thought that he could help her, but she is no better this morning, she has a severe pain in her head, and I think that she will have a run of the fever of some kind, I heard yesterday that Aunt Nabby Johnson was just alive and they did not think that she would live thro the Knight.

our word more. Altho I have had the intention to freetown
one of my girls which I did not work upon, this trouble
and much as much as that I can not do any more

I have not heard from her this morning,
Martin Wiggins is getting better, Orvil Johnson
has been very sick but the last time that
I heard from him he was better. Your Aunt
Dealya is some better, Thomas Hummer has
lost his babe, Betsy Sampson has gone off
and left her little babe she left it with
Annora Kindness, and she sent it to William
Fowlers, and that is very sick the Doctor thinks
that it will cry its self to death, I do not
think of any more that is sick,

Our family are all well at this time
little James is very smart and so is Bessy
Jane is well and sends her love to you
and Mansy,

I am very sorry to say to you that I have
not any money to send you, but I have
not a cent, I hope you will get along
as well as you can, I wish you would
find out the day of the month that the
fair will be out, and whether there
will be an exhibition or not, if there is any
I will try to be there to it.

I have just heard that Aunt Nabby Johnson
~~is~~ Death by Benjamin Dick. She died last night
at about 12 o'clock her funeral will take place
to morrow perhaps about the time you
will be reading this letter.

My best wishes to you & Mansy and
hope that you are doing the best you can
in your studies

From your affectionate Father
W. D. Fowler

PS Direct your letter to Brothertown, in stead to Pequot for
the ^{same} post office has been ~~at~~ chased from Pequot to Brothertown