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Dear uncle I now sit down for to
inform you that we are in the enjoyment
of a portion of health at present and
I hope that those few lines will find
you are passing in the same state
I am at present engaged in a lawsuit

respecting a mill of paper further
such if we succeed it will make us all
rich enough we have found the mill
located at Trenton in the hands of the
the property is worth at a former valuation
26 millions of Dollars it is in Philadelphia
and Burlington were very we have had
one deed brought for to make them
show their title and ours is the best
yet we have got three of the best
lawyers in Phil and one in Jersey
the lawyers say if the property is not ours
it belongs to one that pretends that is in
Jersey the person that has it in possession was
going to build a mansion on the property
he had his materials on the ground and
one of our lawyers informed him of
the title and he removed them off
we are trying to get it on in the March
term next the property in Philadelphia
begins at Callowhill Street and runs up
to 6 Street and then crosses to the
Logan Bridge then East to the Delaware
then South to the place of Begging
we give the lawyers one fifth for
getting my wife has one equal 15 part
I want you to write to me and
let me know the best way to proceed

I want you let me know what has be
come of George and how he is getting along
he has bin writing to me about some
property in the west that belongs to
my Father if you know any thing about
it I should be much obliged to you if you
will inform me about it

I want you to write to us
soon as you get this
Give my love to all
that are yours affectionately

I remain your
John Shively

May 20 1844
Jen. C. H.

Mr William

Miller Bucks Hill

Weschester County

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