

Lisbon August 3d 1840

Dear Uncle

we have a very lonesome place here now after having such a housefull and that in harvest time. but they went to work themselves about house or I can not tell how we would have got on at all. I finished cutting my oats yesterday and have not got one sheaf bound for we have had several fine rains which(sic) where very much wanted. and the pasture had stoped growing entirely. today we have cloudy weather but the wind from the southwest. I am becoming much affraid my oats will be injured by to long exposure. The house Antony has made look very nice in front. in truth all over. except around the back windows which want paint badly. I did not sow the sand field in buckwheat on account of not have grass seed. nor did I sow the piece of meadow I broke up because it has grown up so much the harrow could not operate sufficiently upon it. I have sown about an acre among the corn in the meadow which will make sufficient for my own use if luckey. Yesterday Mr. Woolson bought some fine cattle from a drove today I went to the same place purchased six. three large ones at thirty tree dollars each three small ones at thirty making in all one hundred and eighty dollars for which I give my note for six days dated the third. Richard has gone to the shore dose not know ^{when} he will come back. will stay as long as Saturday at any rate. If you can let me have it some stage day I think Mr. Sloan the proprieter and driver is an honest man and would deliver it safely to me. Give my best respects all.

I remain yours as ever

James A Fenwick