

HAMILTON

Sciotoville, Ohio

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Miss Sambrit,

Iberia, Ohio:

Darling Bertha: You wonder where I am and what I am doing. I left Hamilton Mon. and went to Wellston and found the man to whom I had assigned the territory while at Marietta. He was just ready to go to work and as I ~~wanted~~^{hated} to wait a day for goods I only sold two copies Tues. I went to Oak Hill Wed. arriving there at 10^{a.m.} I left yesterday at 4:30 P.M. having sold 16 Studies there. I came to Webster last night and worked until 9:30 this A.M. and sold one Study. I had

such a nice visit with
the U. B. pastor there. Mr.
Bride. His wife is talking of
going to W. to put their two
boys into school. He had only
a pocket Bible or he would
have taken the Studies. I came
here 10:30 A.M. and have
seen the Bap minister and
sold him the Studies. There
will be but little work I can
do here so I may go to Patenmouth
this evening. I have not gotten
your letter yet but know it
will come all right, likely on
the coming train. Of times
were even ordinary I could
do good work with the Studies
and I don't feel like complaining
as it is but a person can
only butcher the territory.
Mines and brickplants are not
running and as that is

the principal business of here
today, it is impossible for
the people to buy. I am
daily asking for guidance and
I know that it will not be
withheld if we trust in God.
I think we want to be
looking upward all the time
so we can catch the face of
the Master. We have a great
work before us and it seems
sometimes like the way is
hedged but surely the light is
very near and we need not
fear. I would love so much
to have a visit with you, it
seems like such a long time
since I saw you take the
one last glance and then go
toward the P.O. I was invited
to a wedding at Hazden. Rev.
Chapman gave the invitation
as he officiated at his home.

I am using a hotel pen.

They are playing the organ "Hallel
sy God to Thee" and you know
that means so much.

I hope this may find my "Dear"
well and having a pleasant time.

I believe if you write from
you may address me at Portsmouth
making your letter subject to
return. I hoped to have found
your letter here this a. m. and
was nearly sick when I found
nothing, but it is hardly time
yet. I will say goodbye now
more. May God bless you
is the prayer of your Love,
J. H. Harney
Portsmouth
Ohio.