

[Letter from Delania Knight and Fannie Knight to Arno Knight; Arno is working in Colorado]

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Much be loved Son I received your kind and welcome letter. Nellie received on from you likewise. Avans was so glad to hear that you could git about on crutches if I were in your place I would not pay the Doctor any more until I know weather I shold have the use of my leg or not if you do not the Doctor ought to suffer for it and he should if I could have my way I do not think that he understood his business I have no confidence in these quack Dr's. Arno I want you to leave that horid place and come home at once and never think of going back a gin I should much rather that you would not come home than to come, thinking of going back again Your friends are taking up a contribution to get you home no one would be more glad than mother to see our darling boy. Nellie is to work to Belfast learning the Dress makers trade She has been boarding with Annie Thomas she likes ever so much Nettie Heal is dead died yesterday morning funeral today M B Robinson called hear to night says that he has got money enough to come home in good staple and he wants you to come by all means this winter if you have to go back in the spring but I never want you to go back if you can help it you have suffered so much I think that you will be glad to git home knowing that we shall have all the Lord sees fit to give us and we might as well be contented with what we have for we cannot alter any thing on the Grate scale I should like to see my Children content and happy, and help one a nother I know that thay all would bee glad to help you if they could poor William wanted to send you something he borrowed 25 cts. of Avans to send to you I shall send you ten Dollars and Alphens is going to send ten dollars Fannie and Emma are at home it is gitting late and I will Close by hoping to see you soon from your Mother Delania Knight

Dear brother: As mother has left a little space I will write a few lines. What made you write so funny in your letter to Nellie I think you misjudge me I guess I think just as much of you as Nellie or any of the rest of them do
You hurt my feelings you did I thought no, you were poking fun at me were you not Mr R thought you had better not get a ticket further than Chicago as the fare from there to Boston has been very cheap this Summer but perhaps it would not be as well for you after all as it would make you considerable extra trouble
You want to come with as little trouble as you can have perhaps after all you could not get a ticket there much cheaper than you would no buy a through ticket We are all expecting to see you soon If I were you I would come home never to return to

Old Colorado I should think you would despise the name of the place for I am sure you have been there We are all confident that you will be at home soon You will have better care here than you can have there and have all the apples you want to eat that is quite an inducement if you are any like me I mean if you like them as well as I do don't feel so bitter against me it makes me feel bad I like you and want you to me, if you don't Good bye
Your poor little Sister Fan.