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Mar 11/44

Dear Brother

We received your letter and were much gratified to hear from you - of your health and your prospects, however I hope that you will be faithful to your heavenly calling that you may at last get home to your eternal rest, don't faint in your minds but continue to the end.

We are trying in our imperfect manner to our way to that happy Land where all are well & are rejoicing.

I wrote to Bro. Beecher same time but have had no answer from him why I cannot tell perhaps he did not get your letter - or in all probability he may be as you all have done to wit, taking your time to do it.

You wish to know how stock does in this country they do very well - stock of all kinds it is no trouble or but very little - I infer from your expression that you think it exceedingly cold in this country you are much mistaken in this particular the Summers are

you
Mr Joseph Johnson
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Nor are the winters as cold as you think, sometimes
we have cold weather, the past winter was very
moderate considerable quantities of rain and not
much snow it was a fine winter for business
I have seen some of the fatest cattle here that
ever saw in my country - Sheep look fine
those Praxies and fine for raising sheep
grain this spring is plenty and cheap with
the exception of wheat the crops were light
But we can buy Flour from boats for \$5.00
per bbl. pork is plenty and cheap - Sugar is from
to 10 cents per lb. Coffee is from 9 to 12
to 15 cts per lb. Tea from 50 to 75 per lb
is 3.00 per 100 lbs and so on

a fine rich country of Land and every
thing grows in abundance -
I hope you will not wait so long before
you write again you ^{need} not think that I do
not take pleasure in reading your letters no
I am always glad to hear from you write
again soon and write me truly
The immigrants are coming in all the time this
country will soon be filled up soon if
they continue to come but some are not satis-
fied when they ^{come} this far to the west best market

and others California and so on - and so you
see that man is a discontented being never satisfied
always having prospects ahead and all of our earth-
ly nature, and all the time forgetting the future
all anxiety and care for this world and none
for the next, O that man would be wise and
seek for glory honor immortality and eternal
life without which none can be permanently
happy in time nor eternity

God be my Brother in the service of the
Lord seek after holiness of heart -
and don't forget to pray for us your
- thy relations you have now pray
Give my respects to all who are
- next enough to inquire after
may the Lord bless you and
I add no more for the
subscribe my unworthy
Yours truly

To Joseph Peterson }
J. P.

P.S. We are all well thank God