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Dear Husband: - We are all well. I suppose you remembered yesterday - the 20th - that just three months ago you bade farewell to your own dear mountain home. Yes I should think times does fly. Yet when I venture to think of the time for your return that seems so far away that I have never yet been able to complete the thought. Thus far I have borne the separation better than I expected I should although I was from the first determined to do my best about it for I considered it my duty to do so.

Your letter of 13th & 14th inst came yesterday. Inclosed I found a note each for D. Heiner and E.W. Hunter. The one written to Hyrum did not come; I hope you will send it next time. Since writing to you on the 2nd inst I have sent two letters, the photograph, to and several papers to Batesville but I suppose they have, ere this, been forwarded. One of the letters contained two dollars.

I hope your toothache is better. Mine is. If y we are hundreds of miles apart there seems to be some (you will know what word to sue, I don't) between us; for my tooth ached when yours did and about the date of your writing I found the copy of the lease and wrote to your father

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about it. Several times before I have noticed similar coincidences. I hope you will dress for health as well as for appearance. Get the best footwear to be had; for wetting of the feet will undermine the health. If the climate is too mild for a heavy overcoat I will suggest that you get a light one for damp or chilly days and for evenings. I will try to get some money to send in this. Have you get learned whether your father sent any money to Chattanooga. You and Wilford Richards will be apt to meet in Conference, at least, will you not?

Remember your replaced tooth? I think so. Too amusing to me and too sore to you to be forgotten already by either. The recollection of it in reading of your present affliction caused a smile in spite of my sympathy for you.

Well, I should want to know more about both sides of the case before saying much in Alice's cause to speak of my husband in the way I heard her speak several times of her husband while I was down the last time. I do not think for a moment that she complained without some cause; but I think her patience have been so taxed that they are wearing a little thin and if she isn't careful she will case to merit the little she has won - The Example of Patience.

Since beginning this letter Marvin's sleep has been very restless and I have just got him down again after an awfle spell of vomiting. His bowels have been unusually active today. I think he is getting his stomach teeth. The burn on his face is well. Last Sunday after coming from meeting I

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had a severe attach of headache, so bad that I could not sit up and I sent for Mina to come and put the children to bed, strain milk etc. Marion stood by the cot for a long time bathing my head with camphor. Several times he asked if that would do, but as the moving of a muscle caused all pain to return I made no reply and he concluded I was asleep. Then I heard him speak in a low tone to

Vernon to be quiet and "I will pray for ma." I think that little, simple prayer offered in faith did me much good for I soon went to sleep and when I awoke at eleven o clock my headache was all gone and the next morning I was up early enough to get all of my white clothes washed before daylight and it was a two weeks washing too.

Bro. Tollestrop remained in Morgan over Sunday and preached in North Morgan Ward. He spoke well on the duties of the Saints. Well yes, in some respects I supposed I am having considerable to encounter. With the accounts, however, I am through the blessings of the Lord, getting along well, I consider. Tomorrow T. Spackman is to come for his wheat to load a car I think we have enough to pay him off. Bro. Hunter, then, will be the only one in Morgan to whom we are indebted counting stores and all. Oh yes I do owe Arthur and Joda a few dollars. I expect to send your father some money soon. So far you have known all of the worst of my troubles about the accounts, as well as the best of my pleasure with them.

Last week I learned that the horse you bought of Harry Conlin is at the corral belonging to its old master. The S.S. has done nothing about it. Harry is gone.

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Your father had but little to say to me. He did not mention Morgan or the business here. He pleased Marion by giving him a pair of boots. I say Bro. Fry pass a day or two ago.

Vernon makes many cute speeches. The other day Alma Gibby jumped onto a sleigh in which Vernon was riding and A asked Vernon how he got in, to which Vernon replied, "I've got a mouth; and I said to the man 'Will you please let me ride?' " It caused a great laugh. This morning before he was dressed Vernon wanted an apple but there were none out of the cellar so I said that today Marion should get out a panful. Nothing more was said about apples and we all forgot them. About dark Vernon said, "Ma, it's today now." "It is?" said I. "Yes; I want an apple," said he. Mrs. Pasche's little boy came in today and said that he had been way off with his mother, to which Vernon said, "My pa knows where the 'way off is' ".

It is late. What kind of a bird wore the feathers you sent?

Good night, my lover, good night.

June 23rd 1892. - I have succeeded in exchanging some silver for a greenback ($5.00) which I send in this. I also send some money to your father today to make an even one hundred dollars. Spackman received today 16830# wheat; has received some before.

Vernon has been playing that the cot is a sleigh; when another child would go towards the cot V. would say, "Come on my little boy you can have a ride on my sleigh. Whoa Fanny."

I would not venture to say that I have ever read the New

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Testament through. When quite young I had read in it in S.S. Have not read it much beside. I suppose it would be more interesting to me now as I did not understand if when I did read it.

Marvin was quite poor of yesterday. He is some better today but wants considerable attention or cries. Good heath prevails. Sleighing first class. Last two nights very cold. Have been running the mill all this week.

The steam engine did not come. Do you need more money than is sent you? I have felt a little delicate about sending money to you. I did not want to displease you.

I guess this is not what would be called a love letter but it is written with love all the same, and I am proud of the man I love, and hope to keep ever fresh and alive that affection that exists between us.

I am glad to hear both sides of the story. Take good care of your health, that is a part of our religion. The children are playing deer.

Remember your God and your family. We saw the big g[...] pass on its way to Chili.

Affectionately

Your wife

Emma