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Dear Brother: - It is a pleasure to sit and imagine you are going read what I shall write. I often think of you; but this time I shall put down what I shall have come to my mind.

Not very often is a good writing desk supplied so my hand writing shows a lack of care. I have a similar experience to yours when you were writing to me from Mississippi sitting on a log in the woods.

On account of such a long silence between me and the folks at Farmington the duty of writing is not accomplished in such a familiar way as if I had been hearing more frequently. It is like remaining a long time from meetings and again starting. I feel as though I should not have allowed such a long silence. After I shall

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have finished this letter I will think it more of a pleasure to write and shall wish I had not kept silent so long.

In receiving news from Morgan, I learn some things about all. I was pleased to learn that father intended to take a trip this winter to California. It seems nice, too, to think of mother working in the temple for a year. A great deal of work shall have to be done in those building. I believe we are rather slow to take advantage of opportunities that even prophets would have liked to have taken part in, when they of old have had the curtain raised to view the stage on which the future Zion would play.

I learned that John is at Provo. I hope he is doing well. He will need all he can get; for, there will be a demand for all the culture that can be attained by the sons and daughters of Zion. I heard that Alice intended teaching school in Tooele. Father is to have a grandchild married is he! A new idea! As time advances changes will come.

There is not so much stormy weather in Virginia as I expected. It is getting more stormy now. Last year we had quite fine weather till Christmas. It has happened that lately we find a good place to stop when a stormy day comes. We find in Madison County, quite an indifference to the Gospel; but we are thankful to find such hospitable treatment. During the last few days we have had an interesting experience visiting people scattered among there Blue Ridge mountains. Being on top of them on the first of the month we crossed over into Page County and visited the famous Suray Cave. It was one of the grandest sights of a lifetime. My companion is Jno. P. Cardon of Logan. Age 26, unmarried. For a while he was with Elder W. W. Richards. It is probable the Elders will accept of an invitation to spend Christmas at Batesville, Va.

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We are going some in our labor this county and expect to hold two or more meetings soon. It is a great and constant source of satisfaction to have the testimony that the work in which we are en-

gages is the work of Him whose children we are. Sometimes we have to brace up a little to call at some of the fine residences and to get courage I think of what was said on leaving: "You are entitled to the best the land affords."

Hope you are well, all of you

With love and blessing

I close

Yours Affectionately,

C. K. Clark