

Sunday morning Sept. 18 / 63

Dear Brother

As I have not wrote you in
a long time I will endeavor to
do it now our folks have all
gone to church Lizzie went back
to Phillipsburg last Friday she
got a letter that Mrs Barrell was
very sick wanting her to come soon
I am well and have enjoyed good
health all summer we have cool
weather now with considerable rain
I have sown some wheat about 10
acres I shall put in about 40 acres
I cross plowed all of the big lot
& I think the prospect is good for
a good crop of wheat I sow
soules & Mediterranean
I commenced threshing yesterday
afternoon & threshed out 226 bush
of oats in about 8 hours

They turn out 40 bush to the
acre spring wheat - is poor I
shall continue to morrow Jacob
Clapper is threshing it - he does
good business we have had a little
feast but not enough to hurt
any thing I went up to Sparta
last Sunday with Almond they had
a letter from Will that week
he was at Foot Gibson in the
~~Cherokee~~ Cherokee nation he was
acting as first Lieut. there is
very few men going from this town
but 4 or 5 Bill Bliss is going
I saw Ed Kennedy last week
and he said he will go if he can
go in your regt. Your calf is doing
well & grows fast if we take him
to the fair we cant enter him
as a thorough bred for we have no
pedigree if I had I wouldnt
be afraid of any of them Johns red
cow has a calf she looks well the calf
is small

Wm. Curtiss has gone to Vermont
after sheep I suppose he will tell
some big stories when he gets back
to sell his sheep. George Lafluer
has been down from Michigan buying
some sheep of Bill. The Diphtheria
is prevailing considerable there has been
8 deaths in a family by the name
of Lea on the lower road

I have not sold the wool yet - it is about
60 cts I have the steers & part of the wethers
the girls go back to school this week
there is quite a number going from town

As I have wrote all the news I shall
have to close with much love

I remain your Brother Mike

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East Groveland N.Y.

Sept 14 1863

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