

Waverloos 1st 18th 1854

Dear Brother Richard,

I am again
seated to write to thee should have
done so last night if we had
have been home. but stayed up
at Uncle Thomas as it rained
very hard indeed, I think harder
than I ever saw it before. for about
ten minutes then stopped a little
but continued to rain quite hard
until 7 o'clock, Aunt Margaret
had been up spending the day
and so she too had to stay
all night. ^{Uncle George had gone home some}
^{time before} ^{so} ^{but} ^{staid} ^{almost}
received a letter from Cousin
Lizzie last night. we were quite
surprised to hear that Charley
Hicks talked of going to Haranna
(I believe that is where he is going)

I suppose on account of his health
you will miss him very much
this winter. Father sent some
apples to you all. I suppose you
have received them by this time.
The east side of the Post Office
has been partitioned off and converted
into a Confectionary Shop or an
Eating Saloon, it is very nice
indeed. I suppose you have no
snow. we have none either but
I think likely we shall have
soon for it is getting colder.

There was a young man 20
years old drowned in Cayuga
Lake by falling into a hole in
the ice the boys that were
with him tried to get him
out but could not. how dangerous
it is skating over deep water.

Susan has not come back
yet for and I don't know when

she will get back again for the
roads are so bad we can not
send for her we have a great
deal to do. Willie is not well
either nor able to go to school.
Sarah has had a sore on her
arm but it is much better now
^{has on one hand}
~~Jennie looking out and~~ Georgie
a fine face & I am getting a
round round on my finger.

I guess I will let Sarah write
some. please excuse my pro-
miting for I am in some what
of a hurry as I have to write
a Composition to-night write
soon again and I will endeavor
to as often as possible with much
love I remain thy affectionate
Sister.

Mary.

From the Affectionate Uncle John

Dear Brother Richard

As we did not come home
last night - We will excuse
us for not writing but hope
that - You will not feel dis-
appointed by not receiving one -
last evening while we were just
sitting down to tea Julia upset
the Coffee pot on her arm and
clothes the Coffee was very hot but
did not scald her badly Aunt
put her arm in warm water
till it drew the Fire out, then
she put in in a cloth covered
with soil and ~~some~~ Arnica
it is not bad now not much
more than two fingers - Louie
Spackman started for home
last evening at Ten and Yr

good - hope
I must - write
as I write -
poor scald
this excuse



Richard, Hunt.
Care Burroughs Phillips.
Syracuse.
N. Y.

