

Dear Richard I feel any must like saying a few words to the letter  
I can say they will  
be short as the  
message is only 400  
words. You be pleased  
to see Walter Rich-  
ard Eliza from the  
two not quite an-  
other yet but I continue  
to get you off if I  
can. The wife have  
a nice pair with  
them of the good &  
the City which I offer  
the & as if well.  
Carlin is here  
making clothes for  
Hobbs & Miller and  
perhaps a pair of  
Pantons for the  
if not then must  
get them in the  
Chicago take as good  
cost as the one of  
the new suit of  
am beyond to present  
to Walter the horse  
his like says later  
to send them  
for a 1/2  
present I think  
the regular like  
from it and  
the George in his

Richard Underhill arrived a week ago yesterday, they  
were very much surprised to see <sup>he arrived</sup> him at half past eleven  
o'clock at night he sold out and came home to spend  
the winter among his friends, he expects to spend the  
holidays in Philadelphia Walter Dimby and Elisa-  
Jane don't expect to accompany him and if there is  
a good boy perhaps there can go there too, he brought Mar-  
cella a beautiful work box, he has got a box on purpose  
for his shaving things a looking glass and all, he brought  
a revolver with twenty Mexican dollars pounded out on  
each side of the handle he had a place made of leather  
for his bowie knife he lent it to some one and he never  
seen it since, they have to carry both revolver and knife  
when ever they go in the street, folks there had just as  
soon kill you as look at you, it must be a very wicked  
place, he has improved very much in his manner and  
looks he is a very fine young man indeed, Robert Under-  
hill went out to St. Louis and came back with  
him, he did not go home till day before yesterday



living in a shanty, I think he will probably board out this winter John & Brock think Pele will do well out there The weather here has been & now is very warm. I have had 2 Yoke of Oxen & 3 Span of Horses plowing have plowed 50 Acres this fall & hope to do before it freezes up it is a fine start for our Spring work and as I expect they will not be here in time to do much in the Spring but I hope they will during summer

as Paul's it was dressed in white and had scarlet braid knit some how and a brass clasp it looks just like coral beads it is a very handsome one, little George is sitting by me Frank Bates says he would like very well to have hold of my paper, he just struck me with the dipper and made one blob this, he is very mischievous, Frank sends his best respects to the Mary Abbey was down here this afternoon with Johnny, Willie is learning very fast he can spell drum, and all such words Frank teaches him and sends one hour in the morning and one in the afternoon, Louis Hunt Father Cousin from Wachuset was here today Father Mother and Willie spent the Afternoon at Uncle Elijah's, there was quite