

Tell Maud to be
a good girl & keep
care of eyes of me, so
as to keep me well
posted up, in home
news. Give
most remem-
ber to all the
even'ts of interest
and give
travel & visit
me those of
do love
I hear from
P. S.
Gives, I. W.
Sept 28, 1871
And Oct 11/71.

It is rather

late in the week to commence
my letter, but, really I haven't
found time to write before.

I have had but very little leisure
this week in daytime, for we have
had hired help, to cut up the corn.
Horace cannot cut any, & as it all
was fit to cut, they had to hire.

It has been very warm now for
several days; really uncomfortably
warm. Horace's thumb is very
sore yet. The most of the nail being
gone, I expect it will take it a
long time to get well. His finger
is healing very fast, & if he don't
hurt it, it will be well in a few
days I think. He is plowing today,
& has ploughed some two or three days

Supper? I haven't much more

to tell you this week. It is dull

times here, especially with me.

Quinine is up here, part of the

day last Sunday. She has neither

of the chicken with her. She said

they were both well, & that all.

was in very good humor now.

She has been half sick for a long

time, & as crops a little, said as you

would wish to see.

We are going

to have some beef & cabbage for

dinner today, just call if you

like such. I am going to borrow

about 7 quarts of brown kidney beans,

have got them on Saturday now.

If you like I will write you how

let us come & gather some. You are

very likely this year. Some of those

are quite as large as others.

We have about a bushel & a half

gathered. They are not collected out of

the entire shells, I am glad to

hear that the most of this sick

anxiety there are getting better.

I was almost sick last week with

the house complaint, I was afraid

I should have the dysentery, I was

in bed, but after taking High Black

-berry root tea, a day or two I got

better & now am quite well again.

Write me when you like, & if you

want some seeds this fall, I will

send you some.

If those Boston seeds interest you

come & see no very much of choice

have thought he, quite early have

done so, when he was at Cambridge

there are some seeds going up & down

the river every day, & the more I hear

every other day, & it is only about 20

miles. However if he didn't want to

come, I didn't want him to.

I must like to see Mary & Fanny

gathered. They are not collected out of

very much. I should think they might
take a trip over here. Tell her folks
as well as her to that effect. I would
like to take a trip through Ill. &
see my old acquaintances if I knew
when to find them. I could make it
convenient to go but don't know as
I ever shall. — Off course, since
writing the above we have eat dinner
cleaned off, & since we had made
almost a great kettle full of soap.
Just sent to Lincoln last week
to buy some paper (which by the
way is a scarce article in this part)
they let us have four lbs. & today
we have made soap of it. We
have been burning the paper
almost all the time since doing
so our soles are not doing much
make soap of. Received my letter
from home, due this week last day. We
never over work if nothing burns.