

N. Richards
May 13 - 1841

It may go to
Fairbanks mill
to be sent to Fennell

By way of Houlton

De Wolfe

Just as I was about to write

Lincolnville
on May 31st Mrs. Emma Richards

and 1841

Lincolnville May 14th 1841

Dear Son, I take this opportunity to write you informing
you that we are all as well as when you left us and
I sincerely with these lines may find you in the enjoyment
of the same blessings, both body and soul, I say soul, for the
Lord has done and is still doing great and marvelous works
in this place, and not in this place only but in most parts of
the town, likewise in all parts of the country from which we hear.
I will give you the names of some that have experienced the
pardoning grace of God and are happy in the Lord
+ Richard Maddocks and his sister + Elizabeth that lives with them
+ Sedate young Jr. and his brother Saml + Joseph young + wife and
her cousin + Lucas Jr of Eschill Richards daughter,
+ Jeremiah Madeworth and wife Samuel Madeworth
a + Bouce girl and + Davis girl living with Moses young
Moses's three oldest sons, + John Porter, + John Dunton
and wife Timothy Dunton Samuel Sears Farrham
Richards, + Mary Richards, Lois Richards
Bless the Lord every soul that abides in me
joins to praise God, Joseph Richards Jr Mary Ann
Fennell, a child of Jeremiah Madeworth, Nancy and
Phoebe are both seeking Religion may the Lord bless
their souls, those that have been Baptized I will
designate by marking their names, + Abigail young
Moses young 15th as we have charity by hope, Polly Fields's
+ daughter and we think many more, about all the
Mathews in town, have experienced Religion and
a great number about Lincolnville corner

Between 40 and 50 have been Baptised, another Baptism
to morrow another soon and another, May the Lord ride on
from Conquering and to conquering Ride on than King of
Saints, Amen may the Lord bless your Soul, Amen.

We Recd a letter from you Dated Fort Fairfield Apr:
19th 1841 - The Receipt of it was as this wise Letter
between the 6th and 12th of Apr. Farnham Shipped for
5 months on a fishing voyage to Soil 15th of May, he
wrote and mailed you a letter on 19th of Apr. the very
Day you wrote him, your letter was mailed 26th Apr.
to his great house at Hunters office where yours
was mailed, he left home Tuesday morning 4th for Belfast
with his bed and clothing, going to take stage passage
from Whitehall, he reached the office a few minutes
before the stage, Reid handed him your letter,
he had not a moment to spare, he opened it
read two or three first times, handed it to Gideon
Young & told him to send it to us, jumped on board
stage and was off, Gideon carried the letter to his father,
after that we received it not remaining but all was
well, neither do we yet know.

Since then a certain man informed to you and you
said to me do you know that I haven't part of Abner's
letter, I answered no, Said he I was at young's and
and they had the letter there among them and
asked me to read it, I read and after awhile I saw
them (Joseph young and some of Seabers sons)
have a small piece of paper looking and looking

at it with all their eyes I asked what it was, they said it
was a piece found in the letter, I says let me see it, they
handed it me, I glanced my eye over it, then committed
it to the flame in a twinkling,

I asked him if he knew the amount of it, he told me he
thought he did, said if it had got into Mrs. Y...s hands
it might have raised a house, he said he could tell me
about it soon other time if I wished it, that is the last
and all I yet know.

Abner if you ever receive this letter I hope you will
find and be sensible that you receive it from an affectionate
Father, if any thing has occurred our dear I pray
God that peace may again be established between us.

I say I pray God, this is truth, not only of but your
Sister ~~kins~~ ^{is} in the family ~~is~~ ^{is} the God
to bless Abner, to bless Farnham, to bless Abner, to
bless Farnham, this is no fiction, this is what
actually takes place in the family and ever did
the last evening, could you hear her praise God
surely it would be pleasing to your ear, could
you see her in her solemn devotion it would
be pleasing to your eyes, God be praised, Amen,
Abner if you ever write me write as many
particulars as you can in regard to your business
what you have done and what you are doing.

Farnham has bought the land of Webster I am thinking on
and wants to pay for it before he comes to the Presb. ^{I think he will come after him}
write me soon
Affectionately yours Abner Richards
Nehemiah Richards