

Lincoln Pillsbury & Co

Dear brother

I take this opportunity to inform you that I am well and hope these lines may find you the same and all your family are all well and all with you well and would be very happy to see you when you come. I am to work at home now and expect to work at home this winter. John Dean and Benjamin are both at home and James Hubbard he is at home and they are all well. Phineas meaning he is at home - he is rather unwell. Coalman and Bussey's folks are all well the snow gets all well. The Haly folks are well. Aunt Betsey is quite unwell and Stearns' young folks are all well all these would be very happy to see you and have you make them a visit.

Dec 29th 1840. Dear brother

we recd yours Nov 24th 1840

I hope you will excuse my negligence not writing you before as I have been more hard by work.

concerning that money that coalman owes you - it is doubtful that you can get it but while there is life there is hope. I hope you get it.

I am in love and that you know.

So the worst I can't go.

But if you never see me there

In Christ's kingdom may we have a share

Miss M. is her name

It is with words and eyes that I look
back upon my past life and see where I have
missed that which was for my best good
but may the spirit of the living god rest upon
you and me and may we strive to try up a
treasure in heavens where moth and rust
doth not corrupt nor thieves break through and
weight me as soon as you get this
I am your affectionate Brother

Edwin Richards
New Haven Railway

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