

H. W. Foster

July 1st 1855

Friend Richard

According to promise I
take my pen in hand to inform you of
my safe arrival at home & c.
I got home the next Friday
after I left you Wednesday P. M. with
Island the next morning at eight
I took the steamer I arrived at St. John
for Portland where I arrived at five the
next morning I cruised round in
the city till one when I took the
cars for Livermore Falls where
I arrived at five with in twenty five
miles of home took a hack and went
twelve miles farther hoping to find
a stage going in to Wells but in
this I was disappointed so at seven
I started off on foot and got through
at eleven with the evening and if
I want tried then I would not
say so I found all my folks well
as usual went to work on Saturday

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and have been at it ever since
I have more work engaged now than
I can do in one year this is to
be built here this summer or as soon
as may be one saw mill, one grist
mill one sawing house one
thrashing machine & saw mill
all within a hundred rods of my
place and that will be likely to
keep me pretty busy this season
I think I will put up a shop next fall
or in the spring times are not so
hard here as they are down east though
Money is rather hard here.

We have had plenty of rain here
and the weather has been exceedingly
hot crops are growing very fast every thing
except corn looks promising the ransoms
have eaten up nearly all the corn in
this quarter grass looks very well for the
season I don't think of any
more to say at present Give my
love to Mrs Richards & the little
girls and I guess if she is at your
place Give my respects to Mr.
Edwards & well & wife Tell them
I have not forgot them
I am dear you get through

with that dam and when did you
get home & how does your garden look
but I must close for good
I shall be glad to hear from you
and your family so please write
I am as ever your friend

From your friend
H. B. Frost

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