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Friend Richard

Dear sis

I takeing pen in hand
to scatch a few lines to you to. Let you
know that I am a tin and molt and
hope these few lines will find you & yours
in the enjoyment of the same hoping
the folks are all well. I have a fine Boy her
he was born the twentieth of Aug he is just
and will look any thing of this size in
A month to by the is very smart in
much for Family matters,

And in Politics down East I
tell you they rage terably up her the
Republicans are carrying every thing
before them they elected every thing in
this County and all most every thing in
the state.

And in the folks getting along at Fair
Bureau I dont think of more to write
yes that I got the amount of that little
note and it was just as well as though
you had paid it sooner it done me as
much good as though you had sacrificed
in your house or other property to pay it

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I never worried about it & all
considered it perfectly safe and your
perfectly honest I shall be glad to
hear from you any time and hope you
will favor me with a line as of ten as
convenient I have got a song little
hymn finished and printed & have lived
by myself since the first of July and
find it very pleasant.

Give my love to your wife and
family and the friends generally not
forgetting your father & mother & your
Ages in particular.

Yours in Friendship
H. M. Foster

Mrs. A. S. Richards
Van Buren

A. S. Richards
Me

H. M. Foster
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