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to see from Jennie and Madeline
all night - Write soon
I will die that we get back
and when we get back of staying
of them some of our down

I now have five hundred to put
out but expect to loan it this week
at 9% I got out after several
lots a few weeks ago at 10% and had
on about a lot in Pasquetville and had
brought in @ farm in this town
Aunt Agnes wants to take her
note up and I have written her
if she will pay the interest up
to the first of March which with
principal will be five hundred and
thirty three dollars I will take it
but the note is not due until
the first of May Mr Fairfield looks
the titles up and does the business
for me Sam is coming down
during coast and Jennie had written
to Carrie if she does not come to
have Allie or Aggie come with him
and I will pay the fare Write to Dad
to tell her to buy your ticket, and I

Routon Sunday
Feb 10 1884

Dear Father
I find it has
been some little time since
I have heard from home. We
got @ letter from Dad last night
but I believe she did not say
any thing or how you were getting
along at home. Well the winter
is wearing away. I guess we
are will be sorry. I presume you
had your share of the cold
weather, one or two mornings
here it was 46 below. How have
you got along with the chow
this winter? and have you got
your wood all up? I wrote to
Horace first of the winter and

told him to get @ Man
to go out and chop for you, and
I would pay part of the expense
but did not hear whether he did
or not help is cheap and plenty
this winter, so you ought not
to much work, but get rested
for Spring, Have you got @ boy
now to do the chores if not
perhaps I can find you one
that would work for his board
winter Spring there are lots of
them here that are out of employ-
ment if they are the right kind.
How is your and Mother's health,
have you used up the two bottles
of kidney cure? How about the
potatoes have you sold any yet,
I am afraid if you have not
you and Ned have missed it this
time they are selling here for 60
and 65 per bbl, and most of

Farmers have been holding
for @ higher price so the Country
is full of them I hardly now
what I should do if I had
@ lot of them on hand, but
unless they advance soon, they
will be lower, I will get
posted, and if you have not
sold will let you know what
I can learn, Most people talk
hard times and that makes time
harder, but every farmer has raised
good crops, and even if they do
see how they will get enough
to eat, This is something like the
Winter I took the oats to
Presque Isle to buy @ boat. Well I
have lived for another year at 50,
raise which eight hundred for this
year, with our interest it makes
us about one thousand per year
Dearborn took up his note the
other day, which was 30,000 with interest.