

girls may have to see the girls and feet a  
before then tomorrow

my name is Sarah oh how I did  
please her I shall be there to see  
some of the girls if my calculations  
but as they are now I want to see  
some of the Debrah girls if I  
come may be I will fetch one  
back home with me and  
if the country suits me I  
shall tarry a spell I am in  
an awful hurry and I must  
bring my letter to a close  
it is now all most one o'clock  
do not fail to get as soon  
as you receive this from  
your friend and well wisher  
to Hannah of Shaw

Abraham Leighton

Forget me not  
oh what lots of  
chinty things  
you must send  
me to him to  
wait wedding  
and I will do this  
I must  
I must  
I must

this is all over - I am a two mile  
and fail to  
will be

Columbus August 2<sup>nd</sup> /58

Respected Friend

I now have the pleasure  
of answering your letter which I received  
a few days ago I was glad to hear from  
you once more I thought you had  
forgotten me but I see you have not  
oh how I would like to see you and  
the rest of the folks I am well and  
hope this may find you the  
same I have not been home only  
once in over three weeks the folks  
was well then I am working in  
harvest wages are from ten to twelve  
shillings per day I have had fourteen/-  
last Saturday I got three dollars  
worked by the job I beaded four and  
a half acres of wheat and bound two  
of it up and got done before six  
o'clock I have sold my threshing  
machine and bought another  
one I intend to see you this fall

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that some that I know either  
wrote or have not  
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some funny times tell James I  
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you what two of the boys some one  
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the table there went out that  
the door got the close line and  
tied all the doors fast so when  
they got out they had to  
cut loose then covered up the  
stove pipe and got their saddles  
and put them on the top of  
the house so they did not find  
them until the next day  
besides a few other antics the  
reason we done it they served  
us a trick and we thought  
a turn about would be fair  
play. I went a sparking last  
Saturday and with a wheel barrow I am on  
a bit of a train to day. I am  
going to be steady now I am  
teacher of a large bible class  
in Columbus. last night oh how  
it rained to day I am cracking  
wheat. the lady where I am boarding  
sends her compliments to you she has  
just gone home with the man

I ought to tell all of you very much that some that I know either wrote or have not forgotten

tell James if he don't write he will hear from me

with the her Aunt Caroline Wiltsee died the 4 of March with  
consumption. We heard from Mrs Marr last week she  
said that John Wilson had gone to sea and his wife  
started for home or thought she would visit him in  
camp they lived in Iowa and while there was taken sick  
and died. they granted him 10 days furlough or he took  
her or her babe 3 months old in east. you wisher to know  
the height of Abe he is 5 feet 8 inches or weight 120 Thomas weighs  
85 I do not know his height they often speak of you or wonder  
if you hunt as much as ever. the girls has grown a great  
deal you would not know them. Metta is quite a girl  
she went to sabbath school all last summer or did not  
miss a day or will go to district school next summer  
Father has 71 fat cullts in the stables 46 outside feeding  
38 stock cattle, 10 cows, 164 sheep or 33 hogs. We rec a  
letter from Eliza not long since they were well as  
usual, they have plenty of snow yet in Kenosha  
they said that the north or south roads were  
full with the fences. there has been a company  
of cavalry stationed at Kenosha this winter but  
have been called or left there a week ago to day  
there was quite a number in it that we know  
Mr Comatty is the Colonel of the company he was  
the teacher of the high school, in the you know, how  
does the war affect you there, I cannot think of any  
more to write that will interest you. Father or Mother  
all the children send their best wishes for your  
health or welfare, or except the love or best wishes  
of your friend and Cousin

Mr George Noxon

Please write very soon  
and oblidged  
Phoebe

Phoebe D Wiltsee  
New Lenox  
Tracy, P.O. Will County  
Illinois

New Lenox Illinois March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1862

Dear Cousin George

A long time has elapsed  
since I received your kind letter, we was glad  
to hear from you once more. I imagine I hear you  
say you might have written before now but you will  
perceive by the dating of my letter (if you have not  
heard before) that we have removed from Kenosha  
or we were just in the midst of tearing up, and  
packing and you know that is no small job, we had  
two Auctions, and the wind there was no end to  
it or it rained nearly every day, well we left Wis  
the 6 of April 1861 or arrived at our destination in  
the evening of the same day. it was raining very  
hard when we reached the depot or then had to  
ride 2 1/2 miles through the storm, but when the  
folks at the house had a hot supper all ready for

as they cleared it away & then left for one of the  
tenant houses of which there is 5 on the farm. Father  
has now a farm of 12.5 Acres. he does not till all  
but keeps a great many cattle. we have a large  
2 story brick house, and this summer built an  
addition of a large kitchen & three sleeping rooms  
above, we have a well & a brick oven in it, and  
I assure you we had a hard summers work of it.  
Mother Lizzie & myself did the work, & all the sewing  
as we could not get any girls till late in the fall  
then got a green german just a week from the old  
country. but then she learned fast: & is good help  
we are  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile from Church  $\frac{2}{3}$  of a mile from school.  
we live 35 miles south west from Chicago &  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles  
east of Poliet. We have had a very pleasant winter  
plenty of snow for sleighing but on banks it was  
not so very deep but just right thickness. it commenced  
about Christmas & lasted till the 4 of March. it has been  
very lively around here this winter & we have enjoyed  
ourselves very much. Lizzie <sup>and myself</sup> attended a wedding party

the day after Christmas, had oysters turkey chickens  
cake or pie or every thing that was good, then we have atten-  
ded an oyster party or a great many others. we have  
the best of society, we have made many pleasant  
acquaintances, or they are very sociable & much more so  
than at Kenosha. There has not been a very large  
attendance at Church to day but there is good reason  
it is very bad going, an old resident of the place  
says it is worse than it has been for 10 years, and  
there has been a continual fall of snow for the past  
three days or it melts & makes it very bad but then  
it does not begin to be as bad as when we left Wis.  
How <sup>do</sup> you get along now, and has any of your folks  
there gone to war, do you see Mr or Mrs Gale often or  
how are they. (give our best respects to them) do you hear  
from home often. perhaps you have not heard that  
Abram Monfort is married, married a cousin of his her  
father lives in New Jersey. he took her to New York &  
married her against the will or without the knowledge of  
her parents, he took her home with him, or after a  
while her father sent for her & told her to bring him

Mr. George Nelson

Waukegan

Wisconsin

Providence. Jan 14, 87.

Mr. Noxon & Family. Yours Reid  
should have answered long ere  
this, but have been neglectful—  
Charles has been about the same  
since last I wrote to you—  
We are very dry here. Charles  
has a horse and as he is all  
horse we think it has improved  
his health somewhat. I will  
close for want of ideas that—  
would interest you. Write &  
I will try and be more punctual  
in the future. All our love

Usual and wish to be renewed  
to you and the children -

Sincerely Yours

Leaac J. Toxon

ISAAC J. NOXON,  
PO'KEEPSIE, N. Y.

OUCHKEEP, N. Y.  
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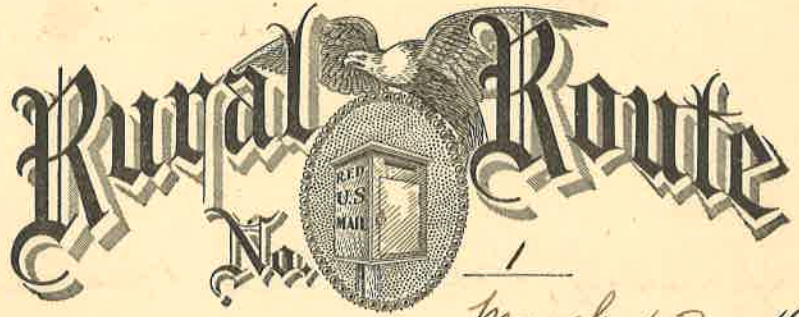
*Ms Hannah Noxon  
Adams Neb.*



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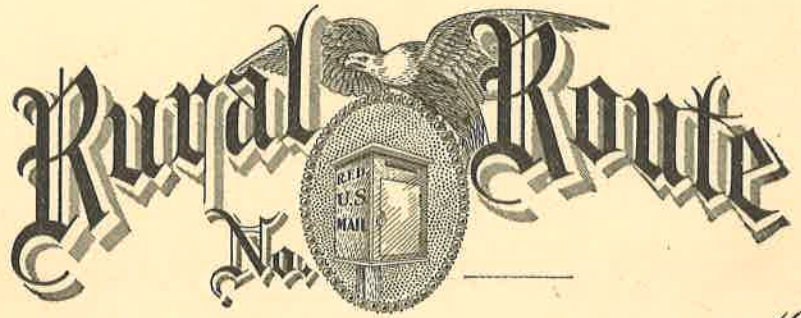
Dear Mrs. Hoxon,

Mother  
received your letter three  
or four weeks ago, and  
was so very glad to hear  
from you. I intended  
to answer it right away  
but was very busy and  
did not get around to it,  
and now I have the  
sad news of her death  
to tell you.

She has not been  
very well since father  
died five years ago this

spring, but has been  
able to be about the  
house most of the time.  
Two weeks before Christmas  
she had the grip and  
was very sick for a  
couple of weeks, and  
though she got much  
better she kept to her  
bed most of the time  
until two weeks ago  
yesterday, she was taken  
crose, and died last  
Tuesday morning, after  
a week of terrible suffer-  
ing.

She was the last of



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the girls in her family, and there are only four of the boys left. Uncle Mathew, who lives about a mile from us, Uncle Charles, of Mankato, Uncle Josiah of Ukiah, California and Uncle Levi, of Butte in your own state.

Aunt Calista died six years ago in May, and Aunt Fidelity, five years ago in October.

Mother would have been seventy-four years

old, if she had lived  
until the 17<sup>th</sup> of May.

Mother wanted me  
to send you a picture  
of our house, as I have  
finished one for you.  
We built a large one  
so we could all live  
to-gether; mother, my  
brother and his family,  
my sister and myself.

Sorrowfully yours,  
Lucinda Harvey.

Eagle Lake,  
Minnesota.

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE.

E. H. NOXON.

Postmaster.

MONEY ORDER OFFICE.



Bee, Nebraska, AUG 7 1916 191

Mrs Hannah Noxon

My Dear Niece I was at Lincoln  
a few days ago & Post Master Hanson  
said he was well acquainted with you  
It has been a long time since I got a  
Letter from although I have written  
several times If you get this I  
would be glad to hear from you  
With kind regards

Hartley

E. H. Noxon

After 5 days, return to

*E. H. Nelson*

BEE, NEBR.



*Mrs Hannah Noxon*

*Adams  
Nebr*

At Home.

Sioux co Apr 84

I thought I would write  
you a few lines as I have nothing  
else to do but to nurse a bad headache  
had it all day yesterday last night  
and so far today.

Dave & Herman are breaking a  
garden patch. Got a letter from  
Frank Moore talks of coming out  
says if they do you are coming out  
to just for the trip. That's right come  
a long and bring plenty of St Jacob  
with you.

Glad to hear the neck tie  
party was a success.

Tell Mussell it will be a damp  
cool day when I get scalped with  
a no 10.

They are talking of an out break  
this spring but I guess that occurs  
every year. all the whites left the  
agency once last year or year before

They were going to commence scalping  
the Government batch of cutting off  
their supply of beef the 1<sup>st</sup> of May  
when they went on the reservation  
they were to have beef for 3 years  
and the Gov has furnished beef for 5 years  
and I guess they will as long as the  
Indians remain on the reservation

Where our farms are used to be an  
old summer camp ground, there  
is all kinds of old camp refuse scattered  
around over my place I went out the  
other day and was looking around  
and picked up 3 square axes two  
would weigh about 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds apiece  
while the other would weigh about 2 lbs

Heard Miss Baird was back, what  
is she doing any thing, is she going  
to back. As this is a good deal longer  
letter than you wish me I will  
close,

W C Shaw

P.S. Send reading matter  
each week on Monday  
and I will make Postage  
all right with you



yard. We are going over to  
see the boys this after noon  
and take mail over to  
the ranch, after this I  
wish you would see that all  
my mail is addressed in  
care of Ex York Ranch where  
you can ~~see~~ as the PM  
at Fort is not very particular  
about sending it down,

Write often and tell  
all the news  
W. C. Shaw



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# The Spa

MEDICAL CLINIC DIET HOSPITAL  
MUD BATHS X-RAY DIAGNOSIS

TELEPHONES 1148 AND 602

WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN

Dear Vera,

July 28-31

It's such a long time since we had a little chat. My tongue was looser than my pen, as the hands seem to be more useless all the time. For the past year I have suffered much with pains in my joints, but my greatest concern is your uncle. It is really remarkable that he lives on at his advanced age but it's his determination to live & the care he has had - I talked to him yesterday over long distance & his voice sounded strong. He said he was feeling very well - He is so happy that I am going to Seattle, Wash. to have a visit with Annie & Marie & her little boy and Donald. We haven't had a visit for several years & how happy to be together again. How glad I will be to see her little son,



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she named him *Jonald William*  
out to me he is *little Kleet* and  
always will be.

Your uncle *John* returned to *Peoria*  
last April as I thought he could not work  
his much longer *because* he was  
feeling better, he insisted on my  
taking the Canadian Pacific - to Seattle  
which is a lovely trip. It is too bad  
you did not see the folks here  
you were in Seattle. You + *Marie*  
are about the same age I believe.  
I hope my little vacation will  
help me - I have been despondent  
& much more from worry &  
anxiety.

Will be glad to have a letter  
from you at Seattle - *Ann's*  
address is 1618 - 6th Ave. West -  
Seattle. Write me all about  
your bunch of kids &  
Love to you two,  
*Scientie*