

Hastings Nebraska
Dec 19 / 58

R. & N. Hidden

Dear Sir

Yours of the 5th being delayed
was not recd. until 18. and
answering these all many things
I wish to say I know about his
property here in Neb. but not in
Missouri Thus are two Adminis
appointed yourself & Mr. Holler
of Friend It was G. intention for
you to look after the Missouri
property and Mr. Holler this here
Mr. Holler is a reliable man and
knows of G. property most of it
I have told him where it is situated
he has also the paper pertaining
to his property Is owned 96 acres
Timber place this was put in Market
or advertised for \$5,500 but on sale is not
known the place last year and

next spring there will have to be
trees planted to fulfill the law
and some one must do it.

It is eight miles from my farm
and I do not care to work the land most of it sold, in notes and etc
as it is so inconvenient and I don't know how H.P. Page has
hardly feel able to do this work
and have the same for nothing
I shall try and rent it if it is
not sold. It is good land and
probably will be worth more in a few
years, if kept in good condition

I suppose if it is kept in good
time three years more can get a
deed & then another so you may know
how the matter stands. The deed was
offered this ^{This is wanted the right on Curtis} he got a deed for Curtis ^{for Curtis} this will be some books for C. to
he said if I would pay the taxes go. The silver ware belonging to his
then on I could have the use of it

Curtis has 80 acres. Cut off since Amanda death 85
for R.R. land in his own name still now has been used as it was
is 14 acres broken on it this he wanted done what Lomnick had has been properly
one to have charge of ~~all~~ the ^{and she has it now} claimed, Gandy ~~etc~~ did not seem to
these has been for heat down for sand ^{Remember from one day to another at}
^{times what he said or wrote.}

Years and for the good of the land
Corn would be the crop next year
This will about pay the taxes.

The rest of Reubelstale is in hands
of it sold, in notes and etc
Holler had them H.P. Page has
Gudy Books as I sent them to him
I will see he gets the pictures

Mrs H.P. Page was to allow Gudy what
the books were worth. There will
be one large box to be sent by freight.

Mrs Leman wishes to know if she
can keep a few of the Pictures as
her Grand Father & Mother died in
and fast asleep, which is Curtis if
she is willing untill he wants them

there will be some books for C. to
go. The silver ware belonging to his
just before Mrs Leman has had the

only 10 acres broken, Curtis has 80 acres.

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I hope the Missouri property
will be brought out clearly - what
remained from Curtis expenses
East was returned by Mr French
and used to pay up little bills Mr
French sent her Bill, of the expenses,
she paid no fare from Troy to Boston
and charged \$7.00 for board. The Bill is
at French and will send it to you
when I return to T.

You miss the Curtis boy but glad
he has got such a good home
and seems cheerful & happy - and
going to get on.

Yours truly
E. A. Leman

E. Lincoln
Nebraska

Ans Oct 20th
1882



Miss Emily P. Hidden
~~Boston~~
East Medway,
~~New Hampshire~~
Massachusetts

Hastings Feb March 1882

Miss Emma F. Hidden

Your letter

or dun as you so named it
I received sometime ago I
do not very often neglect to
answer business letters at such
long隔ode but the fact is I
haven't had the money I could
send unless I hired and paid
8 percent amount for it and
I consider Extravagent although
I have had to pay it in order
to save my team which was
Mortgaged owing to almost a
failure of crop. I did hire on a short
time the above mentioned entreat
I did not like to write that I could
not pay and thought by waiting
a few weeks I would be able to

to send the interest of this year
and last. by selling a coat I
have I don't like the idea of
selling it for a discount or
sacrifice to much but the ~~interest~~
should have been paid
before this perhaps I may
get what its worth if so will
remitt by P.O. order. Mr Mueller
was ~~wrongly~~ informed about
selling the carpet. So it is not
sold. I have tried before we came
here to live to sell it but did
not dispose of it Greig did not
request us to sell or send it to Mass
and, I think it rightfully belongs
to us. and the recompence we
did receive from him was but
slight compared to what it
ought to have been and you
no doubt would have the same
~~idea~~ if you saw the circumstances

as regards that \$170, as you have
in your possession my note just
or unjust I shall say it
I suppose Curtis has grown quite
a good deal. am glad to know
of his success in books that he has
such privileges and is so well
+ strong shall try and get
some one to work his R.R. land
The Limber cleme belonging
to him is being improved and
the trees look fine and growing
Limber is scarce but it will
grow by Glended & quit nice
groves scattered here + there
over the prairie quite diffent
comfaced with the Eastern
States well close

Yours truly

Edward Lennan
Hastings Adams Co.
Nebraska

Hastings Feb March 1882

Curtis & Pug
Chester N.H.

Dear Friend

I have written to your Aunt will continue and let you have a sheet for you self I have often thought you must be very interested in your studies for we have not heard from you for along time. You must enjoy the skating & sliding down the hills in winter you did not see or have the fun of skating in Feb. unless it was on bare ground sometimes it would snow enough for a slide on those little banks at Friendville where you ^{used} live now long hills and large ponds you can enjoy

I expect you often think of Nebraska and wonder if the wind blows or when you are seating if there is any ice here. It has been a mild winter but little snow or ice to be seen and the prairie is bare and frost out of the ground that Farmers have been sowing wheat I have sowed 8 acres I have kill the colt and sell they are black and like to play run and kick up their heels when I turn them out for a run on Rail Road land I planted the 24 acres in corn last year, I had so much to do last year, I did not plant the corn until late and did not receive very much from it. The land is two miles from my home and caused me to work pretty hard to tend it and do my

work at home, I shall not plant it this year for I have 65 acres on my own, but will try and get some one to put it this year the Limber Clambe looks real pretty in summer when the trees are green. Mr Macomber I expect you remember him he lives there and works the place there not been to Friendville for 4 years. Lots of new buildings have been built Mr Sanders the man that used to keep the Hotel there have moved to Hastings. The small boy is there Mr Thompson and a young lady I did not know died with it several others has it Mr Southwick and Brown that used to live close to the Congregationalist Church East of church

Next month there will be a
Sundery School ^{organized} one mile from
home here meetings once in two
weeks at the same place our farm
Farm is 14 miles from Hastings
~~is north~~ ^{is North} of Hastings this is our trading
point and Post Office I am going
to plant lots of corn this year
40 acres and it will keep me busy
I tell you I am glad to hear
you are so well and advancing
in your studies hope you
may grow to be useful as well
as wise your Aunt sends love
to you and would like to see
you write us when you have
time & will try and write
occasionally from you Uncle
Edward

Hastings Neb March 28/83

Mrs E. N. Keddie

Chester N. H.

Dear Fairnd

Your letter came to hand
I was away at the time
I have not got all of the sent
Money but will send you
What I have got \$12.00 -
We Recd Curtis picture and
Was pleased to get it of
course he has changed
but still looks natural
when I send you the rest
of the money will give you
a statement of the business
done on Lumber claim
will close yours truly
Edward Leman

Hastings Neb. May 11 1885

Mrs E N. Hidden

Dear Friend

I received your Note was glad to know the 12. was recd. by you and as you asked for it, saying you would indorse 1 years interest on the note you hold against me. I will enclose that amit - by Register letter from Doniphan as this P. O. is near money is close and it ^{is} in the hard times in the West as ~~well~~ ^{in the} East it is a very busy time. I expect to plant Corn to morrow Farmers some of them are done it has been very cold + considerable rain as I am in a hurry to get this in the ^{P.} O. will defer the T. Blame question until next time

hope this may find you &
Cavatis in good health
Please remember us both to
him. You friend
Edward Leeman

P.S. We just received word of Mr Page's
death.

why we spoke of Mr Ab-
raham up with the
estate is because they
do hear about Mr M-
should die there would
have to be a written claim
made to go over the title
of my again & the
case would be
an extra effort
he says the Judge
of Galilee Co
tells him he can't
say this thing is of age
is settled there
are more is here
we thought of getting
a copy of will
but the deacons
& so do not have
property the money

Mon May 6 Kidden we have not heard

Dear Friend

It is raining to day will write a
few lines we are both well and
very busy plowing for corn
have 23 acres planted. It is a
very backward spring good deal of
rain and cool weather - small grain
as wheat & oats are looking fine
I hope we may not have any hail
storms for it is surely discouraging
to have these sweep our crop away
but what is to be will be. and as
Spring comes around we now plant
looking forward for a bountiful
harvest whether we get it or not
Centis places are rented if there are

more Prairie broken it would be like to see them I met with a little
more money coming in then will trouble in ^{fall} renting the \$16 a man rented
have to be something done to the house it last to take possession by Feb 1 he did
on the I claim soon for the grain part not come untill last part of March
sets on posts which are rotting and the thinking perhaps he did not intend to
and room built on one end is old work the land, and I did not want it
and not hardly suitable to live in to lay idle wanted to have it worked
I think it would be best to take ^{the} ~~what~~ another man wanted to rent it - and
rent money and ~~fix~~ ^{more} the house this as it was getting late for sowing grain
fall + put on a ^{small} addition so to make I rented it by having in writing if the
it comfortable. There were a few improvements final parity should come he would
added last year small wire corral ~~for~~ give possession he came Mr Smith
cattle came for vegetables few feet of the last man that rented the \$16 his
lumber to bring things stable the amount paid ^{through Mr Mollers order} child was taken very sick and could
not move but was willing to give him
quite desirable by a few improvements the grain part until he could move
the trees north of the house looks
nicer there ^{of} eight acres there and 12 in
another place on the south east corner
I expect Curtis often thinks of the trees
his Father helped plant and would
like to see them I met with a little
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the grain part until he could move
but the first man wanted all ^{of \$2000} he was
very unreasonable claimed damages
rather then to have a law suit I
pd him 10. & Mr Smith the other 10.
This I think the estate ought to pay me

back for I done what I thought
was best whether the man could
have got any money would have
to be decided by law so the second
party has the place for one year
I think I will rent Curtis R.R. land another
year that there may be more broken on it
when one is hired to break prairie they ask
from 1.75 to 2.00 per acre and it surely
would pay - for I could rent it all
^{Curtis would} and receive a great deal more ^{money}
Do you not think Mr Maeller ought
to settle up with the Estate for he
has had it in his hands a good
while the Law provides an Executor
should make settlement within
18 months unless time is extended
by the Judge Mr Maeller has been
doing the business for 7 or 8 years and ^{so} he ought

My dear Sir I have waited until the
month was nearly out hoping that
you would send on the interest
due on your note - But as I have
not heard from you it has occurred
to me that you might not be certain
who to send to - At the ^{death} ~~Count~~
death I was appointed ^{by the Count} Guardian
for Curtis - I am glad to see by the
papers that you have had my ^{always}  crops in & and hope you will ^{send} send
the money immediately for C. is ready
for winter clothing school books and traction
P. & A Post Office money order can be
sent to me here on the Derry P. O.

4/28 ¹⁸⁷⁸ Please tell me if Curtis land
has been settled ~~prosperity~~ ^{now} this
year and if the tax of  \$100
been paid. C. grows fast ^{and} is
quite strong - He would write you
and said but he is attending school

and his time is pretty much occupied