

May the 8th 68

Dear Ell

I write you a few lines
this morning as you requested me to
write of but a few lines to hear from
us we are all tolerable well ~~and~~
except your Papa he keeps very fee-
ble his sight does not improve any
rests badly of nights he seems gradual
declining his appetite a little better
I hope you are all enjoying your health
you must not stay down there too long
I think you ought to leave the last of
this month or sooner John Buck
says health is better than money we
cant enjoy any thing with out health
I understood Jimmy Somerville has gone
down to the Convention I guess on his
way to your house I have not been
to town in some time I cant leave
your Papa to go any where he is asleep
when I am away from him I guess they

getting on very well from what
I can understand they have been
at work in the garden you mentored
Elias had not heard from Mr Parker
and Mr Watson about that money
for Peter Davis that is all fixed he need
not give him self any uneasyness about
that I think Mr Kearny ast Mr Watson
to see Peter Davis and have it
attended to when he was in town
he enquired about it was all fixed
I reckon they thought it was not
necessary to write as they done
as your Papa directed them
Bobby Davis is with us Whit
has been quite sick looking
very badly it seems as if he cant
get well of chills tell Elias
Cousin John Buckler said after
this crop is planted he did not
think it was necessary for him
to stay down there he could
go down a fortnight and not stay

Long I wish I had something
to write that would interest
you but I have nothing so I
will close give my best
respects to Elias kiss the children
for me and believe me as
ever your affectionate
brother

PS Polly and
Van both looking
badly all join in love
May the Lord bless you all in
the Prayer of your unworthy
brother

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