

Hamilton N.Y.

April 28th 1880

My Dear Sister;

The perusal of your kind letter afforded me much pleasure. It came duly to hand and I should have replied earlier, but procrastination, (one of my many failings) has prevented my doing so.

Was glad to hear that all was well. It seems to be very healthy here. except colds & coughs which seem to be prevalent. I have a very severe one which has lasted some time. was glad to hear that your garden was nice and that you would have young chickens so early. you may be sure I am coming as soon as

possible to help eat all the good things I know you will have. besides I am more than anxious to see all.

I can't say that my garden is nice for it was late before we planted. people have been very kind in giving me little collard & cabbage plants. so I guess I will have them sown as early as any one. I think too I will have vegetables tolerably early as the weather has been pleasant since I planted and they are looking quite nice.

I would like very much to raise chickens but I fear it will not pay me to raise them. It is certainly a dry time to get any thing good to eat. we get along very well though as we get fresh fish often and occasionally a duck, Turkey &c. I think Mr. H. is like brother's wife

much, for whenever it is possible.
he will always have me something
good to cook. he also enjoys the
eating of it

The Odd Fellows of
this place gave an anniversary dinner
last Monday. I attended and enjoyed
it quite much. They also had addresses
&c by members of the order. I received
a letter from Lucy Snow tonight.
wrote me that she had her hair
shingled while sick last fall. I
know she looks odd with short hair.

I am making myself a new
calico which I think quite pretty.
I tell you I had a time fitting
it, for I missed you then. in fact
I miss you in every thing you kind
and motherly advice I often wish
for. I can never feel too grateful
for your kindness to me.

How is Mrs & Mrs Gorman now?

to see them give my best love to
them and all other of my friends.
I cannot say when I can visit
over, though hope it will be
distant day. Are you doing
looking over, glad little John
is so good and growing so fast.
I am afraid I will love him
more than the others as he bears
the name of dear dead Father.
And Frank wrote me he had named
his baby for sister Mary. glad
this. I would be so glad to have the
children stay some with me. Tell
Bessie & Bobbie & Ora. to study hard
and learn to write so they may write
me a letter. I have a very good
woman that does all my work except
I rec. a letter from Kate & wrote
she had paid you a visit lately. I
think I have about 8 or 10 correspondents.
I have filled my chest so will have
give my love to Michael and tell her to

Return to C. W. GRANDY & SONS,
Commission Merchants,
Tunis' Wharf, NORFOLK, Va.,

if not delivered within 10 days.

William Jayner Esq.
Fackland
N. H.

