Apr 30th 1871

Dear Sister

I recieved both of your letters but there being nothing particular to write i had neglected it we are all well as usual and hard at work we have had a very mild Winter for this lattitude but little snow. we looked for an early spring but it is wet and cold yet the Boys have not got but three acres of Wheat in just a begining. we had quite a good sugar season made 20 gal of syrup and about 60 lbs of sugar. Harmon and Carlton stay at home and work the farm Laura heppo Mother she is my stand by Adah is going to shool out on the Prarie boards to Mr Sherbernes. you know him

my baby will be four years
old in Agust and George
will be seven next Tuesday 2d of
may if you do not come prety
soon they will be to big to pick
up as you come along. we to
can hear the Whistle off the
cars but we cannot see them
the nearest Depot is eight miles
they run right across the end
of the Garden where we lived on
the Prarie. we have to cross
the track when we go to town
when is the one you speak of
going to be finished. and how
much will it cost to go my said
from here to et

Friday. another week is most gone and i
am writeing on the same sheet of paper i have
not had any chance to send it to the office
hope i shall to morrow it is quite
plesant today looks more encouraging
have got some Gardening done

i am making soap i imagine that
you have the same kind of work to do
we will have five Cows this sumer to milk
the Boys have a little Colt to take care
of now. Frank's old Black Hen has
come off with 13 Chickens he thinks she
done pretty well. if you knew my
neighbors i could find some news to write
such as (Mr Hulls) folks have gone to
Minesota (Violy is Maried to Joel Woods)
Mrs Brown has got a little Girl &c

we are well the children send their
love to [redacted] all tell Hensey i will
write to him when i can find any
thing that will be interesting
my love to all i remain your
Sister O Ranney