

Town Holland November the 29th 1852

Dear children

1 We did not strike it on our way back as regards
2 the weather lucky we did not need to walk on Monday
3 at noon we rode off and I got home Wednesday noon
4 my legs pained me a great deal so that last week I
5 did not walk far any more now to day I have been to the falls
6 according to my promise and spoke with that tailor
7 about your work he said that he had work for you right away if
8 you come provided you work well but if it had to be such
9 as he had an instance of only last [week] in the case of a woman who
10 had made a vest and had put the collar on wrong and such
11 he cannot employ but he is anxious to have help for he
12 says that there is a sort of competition between him and another
13 and that in six months he had won around twenty clients
14 from the other [tailor] he does not work for himself
15 but for a store and is busy most of the time cutting still
16 not for selling but everything from orders he said he would
17 give you a pair of vests to make and then he would of course know
18 he let me see a vest that had also been made by a woman
19 he said that she was even one of the most noted in the Falls I
20 said that I thought your work not second to hers much
21 I didn't want to say about it but the work didn't seem to me
22 like the work I have seen of you I believe sewing
23 is well paid there at least in the ^{same} store is a holland
24 clerk with whom I first spoke about it and he spoke of vests
25 costing ten shillings to make he said too that during the past
26 summer they had had a girl there to help a few days
27 and her they had given six shillings a day how it would
28 have to be arranged for you to do the work [sewing] at home about that
29 we spoke too possibly that could be done
30 if you should wish it this we would arrange then as
31 you most wished now another matter regarding the trip [home]
32 we had agreed that I should come for you but that
33 trip will have to cost 4 dollars if I can make it in 2 days
34 and that will be impossible so that it will cost all of 6 dollars
35 and then would be away three days at that

1 I asked deHooijer's wife what she
2 had to give this spring she said two dollars
3 I think you will have to pay that too make an agreement first
4 and if you then leave in the morning you are in the afternoon
5 at 4 or 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ with us and need not wait about snow
6 should you be prevented so that you don't come then write
7 as soon as you have this letter otherwise we shall be expecting you
8 our compliments to Rev. Klein and in case you come
9 ask for your church letter tell him that Rev. Verschuure
10 wishes to pay him a visit although I really believe
11 nothing will come of it greet J H Hyink and
12 his wife for his father and mother tell him that they
13 moved to day into their new house and that John
14 William is coming next week thank them for their trouble
15 they went to for me Greet J DeJong and family and Smit and
16 tell them that I still well know wherwith they said
17 I should go to the woods

now I hope that you
will understand me in everything
we are still all well and
hope that for you too
your loving Father

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