

Rowling Green August 20th 1858

My dear William,

We were very glad to hear you got home safe, and found all well, we are much as you left us, but for some days after you left we felt quite low spirited, the weather was so very hot we could hardly bear it, it was so very weak, we have now cold Mornings and evenings, these sudden changes in the weather, does not suite me very well, we got a letter from Henry on Saturday after you were gone, they was well, but he had not been to Centerville he said he intended going last week and we expect a letter tomorrow, we have not heard from poor Tom, since you were here, Willard Day is here he is to Preach for them tomorrow, and stay here a week, write as often as you can, we should like to hear how poor Wilkey's health is, I wanted Joseph to put some alludecine in this letter for him, but he said you had a prescription that you could do does Wilkey intend coming to see us this fall we shall be glad to see him or any of you, as soon as you can make it convenient to come if I hear any news from Henry I will write Joseph's family are all well but Ruth she complains of great twacks in her Back, that she cant do anything except sewing but she as help enough to do their work

Joseph is well but as changeable as ever sometimes going on the Farm, and mesel day some other spot, he is called out every day lately, is Business is increasing we leave him do as he thinks best it will be but little difference to us, as to help, for poor Ann has to do every thing her self Joseph is kept doing so many trifling jobs about his house, that his children could do, we find there is no better plan then to Adolph Franklyn's, I am, we hope to hear from you soon give our love to poor Joe, this wife tell him I look very often at their likenesses and try to make out who the dear little boy is like, we unite in dear love to you, Mary and all the dear children

I remain Your

Affectionate Mother

Ann Howells