

Porters Corners Saratoga  
May The 11 1865 County  
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Dear

friend I now take my  
pen in hand to answer your  
welcome letter which I received  
some time ago as for my health  
it is very good hoping these few  
lines will find you well and  
contented we have not heard  
from the boys since the last  
1 of march I think we will hear  
from them soon now I will tell you  
what Aunt Matilda sees she never  
has said one word against you  
further more never has heard one  
word against you in her life nor  
mother has Samuel Williams  
and sees the one that told you  
told a lie Seth I can tell you  
who that person is I Susina Lusina  
Chapman that so & for my parte

i cant tel why any one  
shod make up a story about  
them i suppose you have heard that  
william mitchel is mared and old  
parmer also samule grigry and deth  
unble abraham lincoln has gon to  
rest morning cant fetch him to be  
but Johnson is the man too see  
up this cruel war i think he is  
i presume you think your time  
will soon be out i have forgot  
when it is out both <sup>run</sup> his race  
at last and so will old Jef davis  
old greenfield looks very plesant  
The trees has put forth there  
green leaves ~~once~~ more and  
a few shorte months they will  
fall to the ground you sed you  
was ugly as ever well old dad  
that never ~~a~~ wil do  
i have ~~I~~ ben ~~I~~ here five  
weeks and have ben home ~~as~~ every  
Saturday night i will close by saying  
god night old dad  
from Jane harris  
too Sargent will write soon

we have had company to  
day from greenfield center  
Missis earley and Charlott willsey  
and we had ugay time