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My dear brother & mother

I now sit down to write you a few lines to let you know we are all well & I hope these few lines will find you all enjoying the same blessing I have ben in the woods all winter or not exaclely in the woods but up to batchellorville I come home monday night & I have had no time to write before maryes aunt was just alive when I got home & I have ben over ther since till she didd she didd yesterday at half past nine well seth this is a hard winter for poor foalks I think it has ben the coaldest winter that I ever saw well seth I cant hardly write there is fore or five women here & there glad is a running so I doant know what I am about seth tell mother that an emice ball sayes she has not seen her picture yet I have ben cloast by where a adline is she is well she has got a nice

Babe, I didnt see any the rest of the
foalkes up there I was agoing over to
see cate but I hurt one of my horses & had
to come home seth I want you to write
how all the foalkes is at sanatoga the
foalkes says that live in the house with me
says helen & mason has ben up here while
I wa you may has ben you to her foalkes
all winter well seth I cant write & there is
no use of trying I should see you all tell
mother I want to see her may sends her
love to you all write as soon as you get
this & let me know how all of the foalkes
is I will try & write more next time good
by this is from your brother John Hill