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Sunday afternoon

Dear Brother I improve once
more the oportunity of writing
you a few lines to let you
know that we are all [~~“and”~~ is crossed out]
well at present and hope that
these few lines will find you
the same I told you that
I did not think harve would
come out there this spring he
cant come now for he has reinted
a farm 4 1/2 miles East of Crown
Point of a man by the name
Fielder Williams he can have
as much land as he wants from
40 to 80 Acres the land is good.
Harve has half of all the crops
he has to deliver the grain in
the crib Williams finds seed team
& feed. I think that is a good

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chance for harve he can
raise bred stuff for next
year if he manages right &
I hope he will I guess he
has give up the Idea of
ever acomeing to Iowa
if he does prety well this
year he thinks of trying it
another year he is just a
going over to Williams. I asked
him if he didnt want to
write some in my letter and
what do you spose he said he
told me to tell you that
he would write when you
answerd his and not before
I went down to cedar lake
yesterday to get the chickens
yesterday was a fine day
but it is cold as thunder
to day the snow flies part
of the time harve lives in

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a new house that fielder built
for him I am a going help
him a week or too and then
I gess I be work out by
the month Bill is in the
soap buisiness yet he cant
earn his salt at that in my
way of thinking but he may
strike a streak yet I dont
know but what Esther has wrote
something about harve the
reason you dont answer his
letter if so you can place
as much confidence in it as
you please but between you
and me & the gate post Esther
is full as bad as she ever was
she thinks she knows more than
Old Abe Lincoln does cant
you write and give her
a little friendly advise it
may do her good ime sure

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it cant make her any worse
but I have said to much all-
ready about her the country
around here looks like a wilder-
ness game is plenty such as
Sucks chickens Pigeons I have got
the best double barrell shot
gun the country affords I sold
one to bill yesterday for \$12
but I didnt get my pay yet
and know as I ever will harve
rented his little place to a
man by the name Sam White he gets
\$ 1c 00 per month he got \$3.25
down and is to have \$8c75 by the
[stain]st of Aug I cant think of
any thing else so good Bye
for the present write when
you feel like it

To George B Davis

From Frederick M Davis

Direct to Crown Point