

New Portland

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Dear friends i now take this opportunity to write a few lines to you to inform you that we are all alive and as well as common except Matilda she you no was to go to Loel the next day after we got home from your house last fall She did so and was gone ten weeks and returned sick and her health remains very poor and is under the Doctors hands and he said her case is a hard case and she has got to be very careful in order to recover her blood appears to be turning to water and she blates buy times all over and i am afraid she will go in to a decline if she dont have immediate help.

Mary Ann lives here in one room this winter and her husband is in the swamp as a cook for loggers she has been confined with a young daughter that is about four weeks old But i must leave this subject and have to another You said if we wanted you to come up hear if we found any cases of salt room that wanted to be Docterd to write on you should be pretty likely to come The opportunity has made to us to write to you to come and make us a visit and fetch your medicine so they can employ you to cure them of their disease One is our nearest neighbor that has lately moved in it is a woman he has been afflicted for a number of year with a