

Palmyra, Feb 1, 1849.

Mother; Having a few leisure moments and not being able to cruise about much today on account of the snow, which, by the aid of the wind, has been plowing curious furrows in this region for a few days past, I have taken advantage of them to write you a few lines concerning my health, situation, prospects.

My present engagements are fast drawing to a close, as I shall have but two weeks more of to teach at this place, and shall return home on Saturday, 13 inst, by the Manson Stage, unless I should engage to teach a short school about seven miles from this place where the teacher has left on account of some slight difficulty between him and some of the scholars. It is not a large school, and I do not think it is a bad one; and will take it if they will give me my price, but it is most probable that I shall return as stated above.

My health continues good, and I am as well contented as ever, and have as peaceable a school as could be wished for.

Received your letter by Mr Richardson, but did not have an opportunity to prepare