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Dear Henry!

We've received your very welcom letter and saw that you are well, wich I'm always glad to hear, and also that you are working at something. I know that if a person gets little wages its always better, as it go in debt. a man always have to be on the lookout and not to go behind! Just like this man that is working hear, he gets only 20 dollars a month, but he did not spend any of it. Well I guess Papa told you all about him. he has some good things about him and some bad faults about him to!-- Well they got all the plowing and seeding done last fall, so it won't be bade this spring to get the work done. I expect he is going to put lots potatoes in this spring, but he said he was not going to plant any corn. he did not get it ripe last year. it cost lots of money to work the fields and to disc does potatoes. it certainly cost lots of money. last year we had men most all the time, two and three and more men all the time!

Well Amali is in Spokane yet but I guess she will have to come home about the first of May so she can get everything ready. (*Amalia was getting married in June*) she is taking music. she says she hase a good teacher. I hope she will learn some yet! Charlie is singing in the choir. he is playing the violin. Tonight is hollie Thursday and their is benediction. Charlie and George Johann and Doretha are playing violin this evening. John Guelig and the girls are gone to church. Charles and I stayed at home and wrote letters.

any how the road is something fierce with chuckhols of snow the most snow we ever had, anyhow I did not feel very good last Saturday. it was very slick ice hear by the kitchen door on the cement walk and I went outside after I had the breakfast ready was going to take a little fresh air, but instead of that I slipt with both feet out and back I fell and struk the back of my head on the edge of the portch floor, and knocked me sensless for a few minuts. and Oh my head there was a little cut about one inch long and it bled for a little while, scarring the girls all out of their heads. its getting along alright now, but have quite a lump yet on the back of my head. but at first it was as big as my fist. anyhow the girls and Charlie had the Dr. Tuomy out hear in a little while. I did not write it all to Papa fear he would get scared and come home before he was ready. (*John is in California*) I wish I could have went to, but I told him he should go alone. I would stay. I would not leave the girls alone with hired men. I must close for this time with love from Mama