

Johnson, Wt., Jan. 9, 1858.

Dear Mamma. —

Guess I shall have time to answer your letter, which was just rec'd. before dinner.

Would have written you Fri. night, but thought from the tone of the letter I rec'd. from you & Carrie last week that the letters I send are so wangled up, that they are somewhat amusing, and I do not have much time to write letters of formality. But will try and say nothing here that is nonsensical.

Have you seen Mr. & Mrs. Knivold yet in regard to that money? I wish you would, for me, and if it is possible get \$30. so that I may pay up Board-Bill and bill for my shoes I purchased at beginning of term. If you could get it for me this, it would be much <sup>you me</sup> pleasanter than for papa to see Mr. Andrews about it, as I inferred from your letter that he intended doing this. I do not want him to do it though, for Mr. A. is helping all he can.

I have not as yet got that money from Prof. Forlin, as when I last spoke to him he did not have it, will have it in a few days though. Written "on demand" was my own work. & I will give me what time I want. Have remitted the note & transferred your name. am glad my dress is pretty, would like to get it and see if it is all right.

These are hard times for the A's But if I can only pull through, I'm willing to work, if I'm sick for two, after I leave school. But I don't look very faded and aged as yet. So don't imagine a skeleton looming up before the people when I come to Jeffersonville.