

Malcom Poweshiek Co Iowa

November 3<sup>rd</sup> 1860

Dear Uncle & Aunt

It is a long  
letter I owe you for the two  
we have received from you, and  
as we left the Credit system  
in H I think you will have to  
read a long year this time  
we are all well and have been  
through the summer, but we  
have been so busy that there  
has been no chance for writing  
first we had to fix up the  
house a little for the summer  
then the crops were to be  
attended to then the Breaki-  
ng which has to be done while  
the grass is growing or the soil  
will not rot well; then the  
Harvest, we have had but little