

write often but if I do not you must not  
for one moment think that I forget you as that  
at any time I shall have any feeling but love  
for you I hope to hear from you before long  
I wanted to ask you about the Carpenter family  
that were our relatives what was the Uncle's name  
was there one named Cephas?  
with much Love

Mary

Glen Elder, Mitchell Co, Kas.

Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1888

My Dearest Uncle and Aunt

When I wrote you last I thought  
I should soon get time to write  
you at length. I have had a  
hard summer, not <sup>that</sup> the work  
has been so very hard but it  
has been more than I was able  
to do and if by any chance there  
was a minute to sit down I  
have been so tired and trem-  
bling that I could not write  
I am feeling some better the  
last few days and perhaps may  
continue to, if it keeps cool  
Clark is Teaching at Simpson  
a small town about 22 miles  
since I've

Carpenter family all well last week, have not seen him