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My own Dear Brother

It is with great pleasure I take my pen to talk with you; if it was not for this written language we could not hear from each other while we are at so great a distance from each other; I received a kind and welcome letter from you and Sis of the 28th of May and was glad to hear from you; I am sorry that you and Almida had some of the rest have had such bad luck but I hope that ere this reaches your hand that you will be well and smart; I received a letter from Lyman & M'Gira dated June 8th which came to hand July 2^d I am looking for more the next

Brother Almida is well