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Dear and ever Remembered Aunt
 As I have bin rather ^{negligent} in not writing but have of ten
 thought of you and having a few leisure moments I thought
 that I wold improve it in writing to you we received your letter
 soon after you sent it and it found us all well and we still
 remain so and I hope these lines will find you the same I will
 tell you all that I know about your brother and sister Aunt Lois
 staid with me about seven weeks she seemed to en joy hir self
 verry well untill hir time was up that tha was to com after
 hir it was three weeks then she took to hir bed and worried a good
 deal about them thought tha brought hir up here to get wed
 of hir she is just like a child five years old requires as much care
 I think she will remain as she is untill she is taken to hir final
 resting place she seems to have hir senses she wold talk with
 Josiah upon the Bibel as sensible as ever she did read the bible
 without specks or any other reading she longs to depart from
 this world of trouble there was a number of children died when
 she was here she wold say why could it not bin hir as he was of
 so little consequence here Julia came after hir and when Aunt
 saw hir she ^{would} say Mother Mother have you com just as a child wold
 so I have told you as near as I can how she is I have no desier to have hir
 stay in this troublesom world anny longer for she is no comfort
 to hir self nor hir friends I will not dwell on this subject anny
 longer for you cannot see how she is without having the care of
 hir a few weeks after she left here we went to Wellington on
 a vissit found our friends all well vissited Uncle James and Aunt
 well tha are a living with Lois a thare youngest daughter tha
 seemed to en joy them selfs verry well Aunt seemed verry much
 affected on the death of hir children she had just heard of the
 death of Harret ^{she} died in Mis conson about the time that Margy
 die you wanted to no about my brothers and sisters Roswell is living
 in Wellington and is doing well and Dannel also he has got this ~~second~~
 second wife she has two children by him the youngest was born the
 3 of this month he is 55 last february smart I think

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Martha lives a widdow yet dos well Eunis and Emily
 are there and doing well Lucinda moved there last fall
 last before she went out there was verry low but lived until
 Feb 18 and then she dropp'd away her Gansen eat throw to her
 lungs she left two children a boy and girl than with Martha
 I did there Catharine lived in Onondagua York St she died
 about seven years ago she left one child she is Marrie
 Lois is dead she died som 15 years a go Lovisa lives in Colbrook
 she was out here som 4 years ago had her oldest son with her
 when she went back he started for Calafornia and died soon after
 he got there now to my family my children have all got maried but one
 I have eight three boys and five girls three have settled here one ~~settled~~
 Orville lives here he has 4 children James also has two Julia also has 4
 Mariah is in Wisconsin has 3 lost one Mary is in Indiana has 4 lost
 two has been gon 13 years Jane lives in wellington has none A Ransom
 is single at home a part of the time Amaret is at home now but
 is a going west next summer I do not no but I gave you this sketch
 before when I ret ~~leave~~ we shall go west if we can sell we one
 a small place we vallow it worth \$500 dollars Josiah has ~~his claim~~
 to government for his land warrent for serving in eight hundred
 and twelve he has obtaneed a warrent for 40 acres and as soon as
 he can locate it we shal have all the land we shall want we are
 getting old but if we could sell I wold be willin to put up once more
 and go onto a farm you can remember when I went to Boston
 as a soldier was ^{gon} six weeks that is how he gets this land warrent
 dont be discouraged a reading this I hear from Dickerson last
 week that was all well Aunt was about the same I must close for this time
 write soon my respects to all overlook all mistakes

From your niece Shebe Arnold

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I forgot to tell you that Josiah is Justice of the pees of this place
you may laugh now

