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Dear Friend Joe;—

For a long time I have been patiently waiting to hear from you though up to this late day you are quite silent, Are you well? or dont time permit to correspond? I might say the convention did not worry me much, of course it is but natural that one likes to be at such gatherings, to meet old friends ^{and} make new ones. To-day I received the Magazine ^{and} after scrutinizing same, I notice the one good act, in it, pertaining your mother it was timely, ^{and} advocated by others preceding the meet. I am more than pleased that it was carried out.

As to other matters, it was mild ^{and} harmonious the newly elected Officers are satisfactory to me I know them all personally ^{and} find them nice fellows. Harry remembered me with a badge, Did you get one? How about Gen? the boys in Southern home each got one badge. In regard to work it is same as it was for some time, though I am kept busy every day, how long this will continue remains a question?)

Short time ago, I was up north for a week erecting some fire-escapes about 100 miles from home.

Should this continue, I might go farming
It is best in long run far better than city
life more independent, especially stock raising.
I received the bulletin ^{and} mail it, no doubt it
will be interesting. Say Joe do you remember
Joe. Brett, his body was found floating in the
river no one knows if it was a suicide or
accident, however we chipped in buried him.
saved him from Potters field.

I had a letter from Our boy William he is
fine ^{and} sends his best regards to yours all.
they played ball with #10 boys ^{and} from the
score in the New Era a paper published than
Cooly's bunch gave them timing 14-5 —
some game. I must tell you that there
was some time at Our ^{house} last week they had
surprised us ^{and} only 20 couples came there
was something doing. Piano was kept going ^{and}
big spread followed it was on the Mrs. but we
were both surprised.

Well I think I'll close for this time
with best regards from us all

Belam as ever

Fraturnally + Sincerely
Adam