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Dear Pa,

I received your letter sent sometime ago, but have not taken time to answer. I acknowledged the receipt of the money on a card. We are beginning to need rain here now; we have a fine prospect for corn so far. Anderson and I went up to see Russel and his wife last Saturday, stayed all night, came to Maryville next morning, ate dinner with Si, came home in the evening, bringing Si down with us. Russel seems to be doing very well; but the word is they are not satisfied. "His wife has the big round and graceful form of a maiden."

Well I suppose you are through with the hay crop by this time. Si stayed all night with us, I took around and showed him my corn, watermelon patch and etc. so you can ask him if my corn was clean or not. We took him back to White Cloud in the evening and let him walk the balance of the way to Maryville. I am going to sow some wheat this fall myself about 25 acres. I have engaged the seed for eighty cents per bushel, must I rent some of the hundred acres I had broken on the North (for you) for wheat this fall.

Is Dot coming out with Si? I wrote in Ma's letter for how much money to send me. Si thought my land was prettier than any land he had seen; I walked him around until he was sore. Give my love to all

Excuse a short letter
From your
Affectionate Son
R.B.Gex

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