

... ough the tender Mercy of my Kind Bene ... take my seat at the stand and through ... communicate a few thoughts to you my general ... my appetite is good and my sleep sweet ... the nearer and proximate the shore the more ... of the Lord Jesus Christ appears to me. I am ... the faith of the Gospel nothing ??? to ... this foundation the Rock Christ Jesus ... to risk my all by the help of Divine Grace ... daughter Sarah I have some feelings of ... when you last wrote to me you wrote ... well enough that you would come to Ellington ... is gone and you are not here if you have ... word I am left to think you are sick ... if this be so I hope you will be kind enough ... and if it is in my power any way to ... self ready and willing I want to hear ... much and from Brother B Folks my best ... the family I will say to you that our ... is dead and gone the way of all the earth ... of the Ninth of April of a lung complaint ... loved unto the Luce place Luce is no better ... at Utica Mr. Farman is to leave ... the saying is that he has not yet purchased ... and baggage as the saying is and when he ... him and the folks he intend to pitch his time ... Money. Brother Hammon is a going to leave ... going to ??? ??? Doct [?] Do Death has ??? ...has bought out John Farnom and is going ... he has taken a very bold step I think you ... much of him. Mr. Lut has married his last ... oldest ??? Sister Palmer is here with us ... as the woman on her husband has not come ??? ... think a chance if he ever comes back.

I thought when I connect this letter ... course and give each a portion but I think ... this letter my head is getting fuddled and ... to you Sarah may be gratifying to ... you please and send on and tell it go at ... I received her letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> April ... that I have received theirs to and now ... adopt a new method of writing and ... just as often as you feel that you .... old father and to hear what he has to say ... thing just take your pen and sit down ... Either of you and just as long as I am able ... send you an answer direct. I wish all ...hear this arrangement and enter in ... here alone I cannot see my children and ... I think it would do me good to converse ... by way of writing. Sylvia and John have made us quite a visit her health has ... Sylvia has much improved she complains ... do not write to her I wish you would a... it is your Duty thus to do and keep alive ... relations. Do write and write often do not ...cold and indifferent it is a st4rong indication ... are growing old when we neglect to con... the warm hearted Christian and see ... throne of grace and commune with her ... because he loves him just so with ... if we be a privilege to sit down and ... by writing these are my views and as I ...to it the friends her say when I write ... to her and thus you have them and your ... Father and the Blessing of the Lord he ... the children in Ohio don't fail to write ...