

Painesville Ohio..

Jan. 8. 1868.

My Dear Husband..

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away in bed sleeping sweetly - and
I propose to write a few lines to you
before I retire - I think Ma is
improving some but she still coughs
badly - the rest of us are usually
well - Greeting Mr Clark Chimera
and I with the children have
called at Uncle Ben's - we found
him as comfortable as he ever is
but just over a hard time -
Elviah met with an accident
day before yesterday - the horse
ran away with her when near
home and ran into the barn -
tossing over the buggy and
bruising herself badly - she is not
dangerous - and is doing well -
today she looks quite bright - & has
been out of bed some.
When we came from Uncle Ben's
we stopped at Uncle Ben's Carl's

and made quite a visit. Johnny
enjoyed his side and visit very
much. - Yesterday Chimera and I
went to the church to see Libbie
& Ed married every thing went off
nicely - she looked real nice. I
sent the package to her yesterday
morning she was delighted with
them - and they were beautiful
I think I never saw hand covers
spoons. Last evening I received
a dispatch from Mr Ingalls.

saying he sent the machine by
freight - the day after we left -
Pa found it at the freight office
today where it had been a week
we have not unpacked it yet -
so I do not know what condition
it is in. Our room is coming on as
well as we can expect I suppose - the
carpenters are finishing up their
work now.

I hope you will write to me
real often and give me full partic-
ulars of your doings and Washington
affairs. - Mr Clark & Chimera go
home tomorrow. Be careful of

yourself darling for my sake. for
Johnny's sake but most of all
for your own - and we all love
you so dearly - Good night - dear
God bless you and keep you from
dangers -
Your loving wife
- Frank.

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