

Painesville Ohio
June 1st 1868..

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he brings word that you are well
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get sick from over work. He are all pretty
well - Johnny is well and happy - he
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teeth so easy and fast I hope he won't
have to have such sick times as little
Charlie used to when he was getting
his teeth: I had a short call from
Anna Tracy today. Her mother has gone
to visit. Agnes & she & Mary with the
children are keeping the house.

I hope to see you before many
weeks darling. I am looking forward
to the time when you will come. For
I love you dearly and think of you
all the time.

Good night dearest -

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Goodnight dearest-
Your loving Wife
Frank.

Painesville Ohio..

June 9th 1868..

My Dear Husband..

I have not written you for several days though I did one day commence a letter but made such a miserable botch of it before I had written six lines that I would not finish it - I am feeling pretty well most of the time but can't settle myself to write or do much of any thing I sometimes feel so restless and evenings I am more than ever uneasy - until I have a bath and go to bed then I will rest very comfortable through the night..

And we have such cold rainy weather all the time that it makes every thing unpleasant nothing will grow but weeds and grass though the trees are leafing out beautifully - I shall have a nice garden when the plants get started - & every day I grow more in love with this place - I hope it may some day be your pleasure to buy it and turn farmer.

Dan left last evening with his family for Cheyenne - they will have a pleasant summer if they all keep well but I am afraid the baby will be sick

Our darling Johnny is as healthy as he. We have not had letters often from
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of the wet grass and cold weather three telegrams. I shall expect you
he is now up in the woods with his home before long now that Dan has
Grandpapa - he is so full of mischief into gone back and I hope you can stay awhile
all the dirty wet places he can find with me you will enjoy a long visit
and constantly gabbling to himself. with Johnny I am sure..
he is awful smart for a boy twenty
months old - you will think he has
improved fast when you see him
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sick - but he seems to keep just the
same and his teeth come along without
any trouble."

I had a letter from Eliza last
evening - her mother is still on
crutches and she will not be able
to leave her for some time if she
can at all this summer - so I must
give up any thoughts of her for the
present. I do not know who I can get
but when a good chance offers itself
I shall have some one - I don't mean
it shall worry me for good luck will
come some day & I shall have a good
girl. for I have usually been quite fortunate
in that respect. Eliza was feeling badly
when she wrote and said she had cried
nearly all day over it - she was so much
afraid I would have hard feelings towards
her. - Nettie is here today - happy as ever.

Tonight there is to be a Strawberry
Festival in town to get something
toward the soldiers monument. Anna
wants me to send over for some ice
cream and strawberries - Ma got me
some strawberries in Cleveland the
other day & John & I had quite a feast.

My darling I love you dearly and
I sincerely hope there is a great deal
of happiness for us in the future - &
may we be spared to love each other
and enjoy this world for many years.
Give my love to Alonzo and Mary
and come home soon as you can but
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me at all..

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Tonight there is to be a strawberry festival in town to get something toward the soldiers monument. Anna wants me to send over for some ice cream and strawberries - Ma got me some strawberries in Cleveland the other day & John & I had quite a feast.

My darling I love you dearly and I sincerely hope there is a great deal of happiness for us in the future & may we be spared to love each other and enjoy this world for many years.

Give my love to Alonzo and Mary and come home soon as you can but in the mean time (sic) don't worry about me at all.

Your loving Wife
Frank.

Painesville Ohio

June 10th 1868.

My Dear Husband.

I was hoping I should have a letter from you tonight for it would do me so much good. but I hope the reason for their not coming is that you expect to come home soon. I am feeling pretty well except that I am worried about Johnny. he has been sick for two days last night. He was quite bad and I thought perhaps it was his teeth troubling him & he had got some cold. But this afternoon he seemed to be in so much pain in his bowels and was so worrisome that I sent tonight for the Doctor. He came and left him some medicine & tells us the same we were always told about Charlie - to be careful of his head for he has such an active brain.

I hope the little darling will be
better in the morning -

Pa hurt his knee today and is quite
lame - Ma has been in Cleveland today -

Last night the Strawberry festival came
off - Anna sent me over a lot of Ice
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Your loving wife
Frank.

Union Pacific Railroad.

Office J.S. & B.T. CASEMENT.

End of track June 14 1868

My Dear Wife

Did you begin to think I never would write to you again it is so long since I have written that I feel as awkward as when I wrote you my first love letter. I have been very busy and the times I had allotted to write to you some one would be sure to be here on business we have a drove of men and it is no small task to keep them all running right it will be easier next month but to supply them all with their tools and provisions so far from Omaha has been a hard job. I went to Cheyenne last week for the first time since we started work was there but a few hours I took dinner with Lou & Mary they seemed quite happy Mrs Wilcox and Mrs Clifton are staying at end of track in a tent I sent for John to take care of me but have given up my tent & John to them I hope they won't stay long I was up the line last week & will have to go once more before I go home

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than words can express and thank God
daily for giving me such a noble wife
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many years in Happiness. I am about to
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One for me give my love to all at home
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Jack

Painesville Ohio ..

June 16th 1868.

My Dear Husband

I have not written you for a whole week and have not received a letter from you in more than that time - but last evening we received a despatch - which Pa answered telling you that Johnny was better - his bowels are much better they seem now to be well - but his head does not seem right and we are all worried about it - we think he is dizzy him the head for he staggers so when he stands and he walks very weak. complains of things tipping so much. he had an attack of dysentery last week & for several days his bowels were in a bad state but now they seem to be well as ever. I am afraid his head has been hurt sometime - but it:

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Your loving Wife

Frank.

Washington June 17th 1868

Dear Gen^l

The Wyoming Bill
is on the Speakers table - We
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I think Covodes "Coal
operation" on the Road are
softening Ashleys head a little
- as he invited me to come
before his Committee on Friday

I have the two rooms at Whitney's that were occupied by Sumner and Cameron - Mr Ames is not here at present - will aid us as soon as he returns -

Our old friends have returned and say that they have had no sport since we left - They were sadly disappointed when I told them you would not return this summer - They will nearly all be out to see you - Judge Spaulding stands true as steel - I will do every thing in my power to aid the organization of Wyoming - If we fail this session it can only be for want of time and will go through the House early next winter -

I shall be out to see you after Congress adjourns -

If I can do anything for you here, let me know -

I saw Anderson as soon as I came on -

Truly Yours
W A Burleigh

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W. A. Benleigh

Capt P. P. Reed Camp
June 28th 1868 -

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G^{en}l Badenkapp. one of the parties
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He wishes to get Passed
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appreciated

I am Gents

Very Respectfully
Yours O^{bed} Serv^t

A. A. Denny

P.S.
Herts for
P. P. Reed

Capt P. S. Reed Camp

June 28 1868 –

Messer J. S. and D. T. Casement [Laramie City Dakotah ? Unclear origin]

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He wishes to get passed through to Omaha, any favours you may grant him will be appreciated

I am Gents

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

A. A. Dewey

P. S. Thanks for P. S. Reed