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## Letter to Brother and Sister from Isaac Butler and Sarah A. Butler

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due him of any consequence and that I had better have my money sent in a draft your letter to father some time ago if I understood it right there was \$350,00 due the 1<sup>st</sup> of January next, <sup>of my part</sup> but let that be as it may whatever is due send it in a draft until I should make other arrangements if I should make other arrangements I will let you know soon, I will tell you something about how I am getting along I have a claim of 390 acres about 50 acres under fence 100 apple trees 20 out and 100 more in the nursery to set out 2 American mares 1 horse 3 years old 1 half indian horse 2 years old an Androgyar also, American cattle, 12 acres of wheat sown in May last I expect to have a good crop next year from this you may think it strange to sow fall wheat in May and let it stand over until the next year, but it is the surest plan of raising good wheat. I sowed my corn in February last and raised 26 bushels to the acre, I have 11 hogs up for my pork is worth 15 cts Bacon 12 cts wheat 75 cts 3 cts 6 cts an foot better. 36 to 40 Cows 40, to 50, we have an institution of learning just started in about 5 miles of where I live I have bought a lot of 10 acres there and intend building next summer. There is a good district school going on now

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