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James A. Sweany

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Portage Friday Evening, March 6  
'63

Friend Minn,

I have arrived here safe and sound  
after a day's rough riding. And just in time  
to take the letter out of the P. O. that  
my father mailed for me today. I was  
right in my conjecture, that it would have  
arrived here tomorrow evening. I think  
also that you will not be disappointed if  
you shall expect one from home by tomorrow  
night. For when I went up <sup>to my father's</sup> to deliver the  
book and letter they said that they had mailed  
a letter for you. I now send you the two  
dollars that I borrowed from you and with  
them <sup>my</sup> most grateful thanks for the favor.

Write to me if you can make it convenient  
and pardon me for sending such horrible hard  
writing to you, for I assure that it is the best  
that I can produce under the circumstances.  
My hands being perfectly numb after riding all  
day in the cold.

Yours in friendship

J. C. Sweany,