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Yellow Springs. April. 2nd 1862

Dear Son

we received yours of March 21st a day or two ago and should have answered it sooner but we were washing and cleaning house and we thought we would get through and then write and now I hardly know what to write that would be interesting. I learn from to days paper that the 44th have been in a big fight in Kentucky. the Rebs. had two to one but our Ohio Boys whipped them and made them run after four or five hours hard fighting the loss on our side was about thirty there was two other Reg. engaged. the names of the killed and wounded was not given. Cap. Sulleys writes home that the 44th knew nothing about hard times untill they went into Kentucky. we have had very unpleasant weather during

the Month of March I dont think
there was ^{more} than three or four pleasant
days in the whole Month. and April
has come in cold and rough. but I
hope we will have pleasant weather
after a while. you say you sent us some
petrified wood in a letter but there
was none in any of the letters that
i've got. I heard that John Hawkins got
one with some in. but I have not
seen it. School commenced yesterday
in Antioch and they say there is about
Seventeen new Students I dont know
whether we will get any Borders
this term or not. one of ours said
he was afraid he would not get to
come back. April 5th you see I did
not get to finish this letter the day
it was commenced I have not heard
any thing more from Dayton I do
not know whether they will accept
our proposition or not. Mary went
to Springfield on Saturday and

was examined for Teacher and
got a good Certificate. There are
four Grades and she got next to
the highest they don't usually give
new beginners Certificates for more
than Six Months but they gave her
one for Eighteen Months don't you
think that was rather encouraging.

Mr Seever was over Saturday and
says he will do his best to get her
the School. Mary went to Mr Cath-
carts and staid all night and they
told her that Ike was at Vixburg
in the 49th Co. and John is
Enginneer on one of the Government
Railroads down there somewhere.

The Copperheads have to keep pretty
mum at present. Burnside has sent
a Squid of them off to Fort Fayette
we are having very stormy cold weather
for the Season. well we did not get
our Boarders this Term I am sorry for
it to, for it paid over table expences

and for our wood. I saw Elex.
Kalahan yesterday he is well excepting
his hand he said he was looking
for a letter from you. well I guess
I will close. take care of your self
and write often. from your Mother
C. Sadley