

Transcript of Letter from J.S. Lemont to Frank L. Lemont, November 10, 1862

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Dear Lindley

How do you do to night it is needless for me to tell you I want to see you for you know your Mothers feelings well enough for the welfare of her children to know that my thoughts are ever clustering around them I got your letter dated the 2nd you wrote you had started on a march toward the scene of action my anxiety is verry great for you I hope you will be preserved from all harm, Oh how many hearts are made to bleed on the account of t his dreadful war, is it possible that you will be spared while so many are falling, we have just heard of the death of George Merrill and George Hussey died two weeks ago with fevers Ellen Merrill was here when her Father brought the sad news she could hardly bear up under its he said how much she should miss his letters they have been so much company for her when she was sick we felt as though her grief might be ours, may the Lord preserve you in mercy, I feel that you done perfectly right in doing as you have done I want you to be very careful of your health, I can hardly feel that it would be right and just for me to sacrifice my only son for the cause of the country perpaps I dont feel right, we are packing up today shall move this week what an undertaking have felt verry lonesome thinking over the change in our family since we were doing the same one year ago, what a contrast a loss that never can be made up to us I get along as well and perhaps better than I expected when you went away. it is dreary and discouraging yet I try to put on all the fortitude I am capable of the girls are very kind to me and do all they can to assist me Josephine has been sick did not have her clothes (on)? one day last week but is nicely now my health is pretty good dont give yourself any uneasiness about us we will let you know if there is any trouble and you do the same nothing new about the business at home have had no difficulty as yet have had nothing prized it is almost eleven o,clock and I must close all send love and ___?___ the kisses to you and accept much love from your

Mother
and I think well wishes

I hope this letter will find you well and in good spirits do be careful of your health they thought George Merrill might (have) lived if he had stayed in the hospital till he had got stronger

Write often as possible