

Transcript of Letter from J.S. Lemont to Frank L. Lemont, September 10, 1863

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My Dear Son

How do you do to day I wish as you say I could hear your response audibly I want to see you terribly but must wait patiently untill time rolls round, (if we are spared) I hope that glad day will come in the course of a few months

we are well as usual and getting along comfortably as we can in our lonely situation we have many things to be thankful for I feel that I ought to be grateful that you have been preserved so far and been kept from temptation I am confident that it needs a strong mind to withstand all you have to contend with there among such a set of evil doers but I do not worry about that as I did when you first went away I want you to still keep on your guard I east you fall you spoke about the money you lent Aaron Daggett I have been over and took up the note and paid the interest our rent money maxes us very comfortable our taxes are high this year in Greene thirty three dollars but I have got the money to pay them I try to look ahead about these things as well as I am capable I know my abilities are inferior to many but I try to do the best I can and that is all that is required

I see that you noticed that I did not date my last letter I have so many things to think of I grow forgetful about some things but I am not blind to the interests of my dear children no and I hope I never shall be you say you are my own boy I am not ashamed to own you and I hope never shall be you have been a good Son to me in my great affliction I dont know what would have become of me if you had not been willing to helped me ought I not to be grateful for it

Achsah has not got home yet gone longer than I expected we set down to the table with only three of us how different how changed from what it was in former days but I refrain from dwelling upon these things as much as possible for it (is) wearing to my nature who do you suppose the Republicans have got for a candidate for Representative from Greene I will tell you the Rev C. R. Daggett they rather think he will get it .

Josie thinks of going to school to the Academy ours finishes to morrow have had 13 weeks I have no news in particular to write

the hundred you sent home I hired to Uncle William I knew it would be in good hands and get a little more interest I will try and write oftener if anything goes wrong I will certainly let you know it so dont you give yourself any uneasiness till you hear from me (?) Grandmother is very lonesome her health (?) is (?) about as usual Margie and Josephine send (?) their love and best wishes to you

Mr Goss was up to day and wanted money very much and I let him have two hundred dollars out of the Bank I thought it would be safe and get a little more interest he has with two others bought another hard-ware store and wanted the money to lay down I have a chance to send this to the office and must close

good by for this time  
write  
from your ever loving  
Mother

L. F. Lemont

Jane Lemont