



Barrington Station,  
Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> 1862.

Dear Sister Mercy,

I have been

trying for a long time to write  
to you, but somehow could  
not accomplish it, but hope  
to do so now.

Mr. Kellogg is  
much better than he was last  
winter, but is still far from  
being well. We now expect

This paper will now be very full, & I  
will not necessarily make more  
material, unless you write me  
to go to Michigan to spend  
the winter. I have delayed  
writing two or three weeks  
waiting for Mr. Kellogg to  
determine what he should do.  
Last week he went to Chicago,  
came home last night, &  
said he should go to Michi-  
gan. It is a wilderness  
place on the eastern shore  
of Lake Michigan,  
about 60 or 40 miles north  
of Grand Haven.

I rec'd a letter from Horace  
night before last saying that  
he had enlisted, & was on his  
way to Dixie. He has made  
a great sacrifice to go, &  
when I think of how many  
are trying to sneak out of

the draft I can't help being  
proud of him. I intend to  
have a few words with some  
men in this town when  
I get an opportunity there has  
been a great deal of trying to  
get rid of the draft here.

I wrote to Martin several  
weeks ago, but have rec'd no  
answer, Where is he?

Where is Mary? She has not  
answered my letter, & you  
did not tell me anything  
about her. Is your Grand  
mother Perkins yet living?

Tell Marcus that I would  
<sup>like</sup> very much to hear from him  
also that I would very much  
like his picture to put with  
Martin, & I should like to

it'll always bring him  
many mishaps & good & bad luck,  
soff abt my most misery.

to have a picture of all my  
Brothers & Sisters & friends,

I wish Uncle Wm, would send  
me Willies picture. If you see  
Augusta, I wish you would  
tell her that I wish she would  
spend a few minutes time to  
write to me & tell me about her-  
self & family, & who has gone to  
the war from there that I  
knew, I have never heard of any  
one that has went from Fulton  
except Uncle Wm's & Peters boys,

What are you doing this summer?

Who used to own the place that  
Mother has bat? & how has your  
farming been this year? Some  
people about here have made a  
pile of money this year a raising  
onions. I have got to the end of my  
sheet & I stop. From your affectionate  
Sister Helen A. Kellogg,