

Letter #75
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make four
pages 7¼ x
9½"

Date: Sept. 10,
1860
Place: Pacheco
From: H.H.
Fassett
To: Mrs C.H.
Fassett

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Mrs. C.H. Fassett
Cox Ohio

Dear Mother

As to when I wrote
you last I cannot say As to when I shall write the next do not know and as to
the time when I shall come home (as you say) cannot tell. I had thought of
leaving home and making you a visit this winter but do not see much chance
for doing now. I am this year staying in the Warehouse as Superintendent
have 3 to 5 men to work and make a hand myself and at this time I handle
100 to 125 ^{lb} Sacks of Grain all day do not feel much like writing more than
my warehouse Books by night and then going to bed to get up and go
through with the same routine next day and to day being Sunday I stay at
home to write some letters of which yours is the first. The next one will be to
Julia Fassett Sacramento and by the way Miss Mary Fassett ought to write to
her she talks incessantly about her and old times and wishes much to hear
from her. And Father Truman would think more to hear from you by Letter
than any other Man. Now if you will not write to me please write to him. Ann
and Family all well and would be glad to make you a visit if the means were
forthcoming.

I presume Jane got my note I really had no time to write more
then and somehow or rather you all seem so near to me I know you will
overlook my shortcomings and delinquencies and remember I am but
mortal. One thing if I cannot find time to visit you I have the pleasure of
thinking of you all often and when I do make one shall feel able to spare the
money for the trip. Fun is fun mother and if I can have any along the rugged
paths of life I am going to and always enjoy my laugh Rich or Poor and intend
too. I have some notion of - Yes I believe I will invite you all to my Wedding.
the time is not yet sett but then it may be some time or rather If at the time, I
should be so engrossed by my fair enchantress as not to write you in time
consider this a standing invitation and come along and you shall be welcome
in Shanty or Big House.

If you happen to know of an eligible situation where
a good Cook and loving husband are considered equivalent to lovely maidens
stays - Hoops - Rouge &c &c let me know as I am looking around and in the
market for leap Year

Your Aff^c Son
H H Fassett

Master Willie Fassett

You cannot tell how much I would give to see you or how
much I hated to leave you behind when I went to Illinois but it had to be
done. Now if you cannot write yet hurry and learn and I will answer as many
letters as you send me. Be a good Boy and take care of the Horses - Dog - and
other stock for when I come home I should like to see how that you can do
such things as well as any one

Yours
Harris

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Harry W. Fassett

I do not know but what being the oldest I am to blame for not having written you before this if so here goes for clearing my skirts I want to have you set down and write me a good long letter as soon as you get this tell me about some of your fine times who you associate with and any little or great items in your daily life. How fast the horses can trot who owns the best one in the county how the Blood Cattle look the farm produces and how many of the different kinds of grasses and seeds of all kinds you have on it, and the cost per acre to raise &c &c and when I get it I will figure up and see the difference of the cost of the same things here and write you accordingly

write soon and I remain as ever

Your Aff Brother

H H Fassett