

December 1850

Palmyra N. Y.

Dear Brother I have  
been trying all day to get time to  
answer your letter P. and Edith  
is up and there has been a house full  
of young folks here all day but they  
have gone to singing to night  
we spent Christmas at Chauteau  
Will you wanted to know how much  
I would give to see I would have give  
you 100 gold pieces to have had you  
here that is a false report about  
Sam. and Jim Kane he was  
down Christmas but he had to  
take no for an answer and was  
glad of it for I know that she  
could do better Will you ask  
me for my advice what to do if  
I were in your place I think you

you are capable of choosing for your  
self if I have a your choice we would  
be best being well was never let any  
thing or any one separate you if you  
love I have here to and you  
will be welcomed to our home as a  
Brother and sister and we will  
do all that is in our power to do  
for you. I did not get the  
money from New York as we  
could not send you money. Pe-  
did not raise any form to amount  
to an thing. I've let him have my  
money. You need not worry about  
paying that money till next fall  
we are not in any hurry for it.  
Will of you and I have good health  
and you both have a good  
education. why need complain?  
will assure you that if you both  
work each one for the others interest  
that all will be right and as we all  
know that we cannot go through this

world! but we and why not enjoy  
life to gether I wish you both a happy  
New year and I would like to see you  
both before the year of 1857 closes. Will  
if you let I have read my letter  
I want to excuse my writing I  
have been suffering with rheumatism  
in my head and I will close  
for this time. I did send to tell  
you that you had his best wishes  
and to write some to him in  
my letters. Write soon.

Yours  
Ezra C. Wells