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Prospects are good
for our union this
fall & I feel light
hearted & gay
about it

Working very
hard planting
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Sunday Morning

My Dear

You no doubt
have been disappointed in not
getting a letter ear this but I have
been so very busy I have not taken
time to write to any one but you
I was in the field yesterday by
sun up & never started how tall
way after sun down & not being
able to work it makes me quite
tired You will excuse me I
know when you get this letter
But why should you not write
to me you might have time
I think I was pulling sags
yesterday & my hands were sore
so I can't write I thought to
write you every night but
it was 10 & 11 o'clock when I would
get in from work. You are good &
will forgive me & know what you
I am As Ever Your Will.



Tuesday Eve.
My Dear Friend

I did not get to send
the letter written last night
so will write again I have
been hard at work today
harrowing sod It hurts my
feelings as well as making
me tired After coming
home this evening I went
with the boys for a boat
ride on a raft, we had a
nice time I did not stay
long after we were landed &
I started for the house one of
them fell in & got a ducking
They tried to throw me in but failed

I will soon have my crop
in & be glad of it I am
getting a long better than I
expected Now I am feeling
sick & will not write any more have
taken sick at my stomach I'll
wait a while & see if I don't feel better

Here is Wednesday night
half past nine & just come
in from work every body is
asleep excepting Mrs. Howland
It has been storming most of
the day snowed over two in. last
night I was dressing wheat
& getting it ready to sow this
fore noon Harvested this afternoon
after I come home & ate my supper
I cleaned 8 bu. of wheat & vitrualled
it It had taken me from 7 till now
I have 15 acres ready to sow will
sow some tomorrow if it does not
rain to much to night

Now you will be looking for
a letter from me & will be disap^{pointed}
in not getting it but when you
find that I have not neglected
or forgotten you You will forgive
my delay you see we have not
post here & it can't get a letter off
only by chance unless I take it
myself & I am too busy to go to
M^r. now for a few days
I am working like a good
fellow. Doing much better than
I expected If all is well I shall
be able to say "It's done" & rejoice
to know it is finished I am not
very fresh & lively to night & will
quit If you were feeling as I do you
will be satisfied with these few
lines I know you will if you can
read them My throat hurts me
real bad to night so much so I can
hardly swallow Good Night, Will.

Here is another page of white
paper to be filled with something
& I do not know what to say
I am well or moderately so
Pulled so hard on the sages that I
was picking to day Old Logan
is well but very poor he ~~knows~~ me
when I saw him - N. D. Ranch
is over to wh. a head of any other
place in the valley & broad
through 2 ft. of snow when I
was coming from Soda &
Bennington but when I got
here I found that people were
putting in their crops & I am
now busy at mine (or ours I
should say) Prospects are good
for our union this fall & I feel
light hearted & gay concerning it
Don't you? Write me at all
soon or sooner if you can
Yours Will



N. D. Ranch
Idaho Ter.
April the 21. 1885
My Dear Friend
I am on the
ranch again as you will
see by this letter Arrived
here last night - Have been
plowing and gathering
sage brush to day and feel
very tired to night - I found
all well and feel more at
home than I expected to
I shall come very near getting
my grain in this wk. I
that I have plowed if it does
not rain to much

I feel perfectly happy
excepting one thing
and that is the society
of you You have been
in my mind continually
all day I did not feel our
parting as sharply as I
do the absence. To think
of not seeing you for one
month is more of a trial
than I expected it would be
but I shall be so busy it may
not seem very long.

My long ride north seems
to be inevitable & since I have
made up my mind to
go home back it seems longer
I will leave here about the 6 of May
if all goes well.

Now I am wanted to go &
serve as a juror by some of
the best Mornings up here they
say they would rather have me
than take any chances of
getting another as good but
I told them it was of no use
for I had made up my mind
not to if I could get out of it
& I think I can & not with
much trouble but nevertheless
I shall have to go to Black
Foot - any how I am terribly
put out by having to do so
I am very tired & sleepy to
night - & will not write you
much I miss your
letters very much I am
not getting many letters now
& do not look for many but
yours I look for when I do just expect.