

My success has been very good  
this far if it continues I will be back  
sooner than I expected I am getting  
homesick to see you I never knew what  
it was to be homesick before have been  
in several places and by a number of  
friends & acquaintance but was never homesick  
before I never thought of you until you  
promised — and every since I have  
thought of you night and day It gives  
me a surprise to work for but providence  
seems to say that I will never win  
but I will give you all the love a true  
heart can possess and if kind providence  
decreases our separation all I can say so  
must it be Have you heard from  
Chariton? When you do I want you to let  
me see the letters & send them to me:  
if I am not there I am thinking  
they will be good and I would like  
to see them (more paper)

St Charles Utah  
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Friend Nora

According to prom-  
ise I will write you as I have  
a few moments to spare  
have just arrived at this place  
came up from Fish Haven  
to day with our friend Mr  
Parson We had a pleasant  
drive which we passed talking  
about old times (Supper is  
ready excuse me until I  
eat is I am very hungry)  
Supper over and my horse feed-  
ed now I am ready to tell you what  
we were talking about Our sub-  
jects varied from hunting and fishing  
to various kind of business We talked  
about our old friends and lovers

Of what <sup>had</sup> happened and what might  
of been (which was very interesting  
to us but would be dull to you  
all but one thing no doubt you  
would like to hear that was the  
incident that took place on the  
25<sup>th</sup> of July if you remember  
The day you called at the P. Q. and  
told Mr Brangham not to let any  
one have your mail The gentleman  
in side was Mr F. L. as you  
supposed And it was he that  
dropped the line you told me of  
for he said so to day as we were  
driving along He said that  
he came very near signing my  
name I left the impression  
that ~~we~~ <sup>we</sup> were not on good  
terms and had never written to  
one another as corresponding  
only as a matter of business  
and at present simply old acquaintances

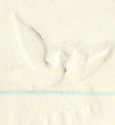
It seems to be a good friend  
to me but I believe that he knows  
who dropped the other note if he would  
tell I could not find out Without  
venturing to far so I had to drop  
the sub.

Well I will tell you about  
my supper It reminds me of  
my first meal at Mrs. Wmsworth  
There was no men folks present  
but quite a number of women - the  
very nice girls which tried to make  
a wash out me. We had a nice supper  
of which I partook very heartily talking  
as much as I could get a chance  
The women were as free to talk as  
they were at Mrs. Wmsworth's  
after supper there was a young  
fellow called and enticed one  
of the girls away (I guess he had  
a right to) They say they are going  
to the City soon and then there will  
be two more hearts to make happy suppers



Well Horace I am commencing  
this sheet but will not have time  
to fill it. I have been getting so many  
letters that it takes all of my spare time to ans.  
You among many others receive fast  
attention I got a letter from my sister  
and must ans she has almost completed  
my watch chain I am expecting something  
nice when it comes My folks want me to  
come home they are affraid that I will  
get a mormon girl and well they  
might if they ~~had~~ know what I think  
I know I guess I will not go to Iowa  
yet a while but I may go to Cal.  
when I return I have a good chance  
there if I do not loose it like I did  
the other one I will watch it closer  
than what I did that

I was out boat riding this morning  
and had all of the fun a lone when I have  
finishe my work I am going to spend a  
day boat riding and have fun



From Your Friends  
 W. L. R.

So O. C. C.  
 Surprised and made a  
 thunder

When you have read and considered you  
 will have enough to comment <sup>on</sup> for  
 a week - until I write again  
 so I will close by signing  
 my name

W. L. R.