

Balin Apr 20. 1861

Dear and respected Father
your letter came and found us all well
and it is a satisfaction to me to
learn of your good health and
happiness. It seems sad to think what
a havoc death has made among our
old friends, and neighbors, within
the last twelve years, the older
part are nearly all gone. I dont
think it would seem natural to
~~me~~ or much like home if I should go
there, tho there is not one of the friends
but I should be very glad to see,
perhaps more glad than they would
to see me. I thank you heartily for
the present sent by Luther's wife. I ill
deserve such tokens of friend-ship as
I received by them. I especially prize those
that were sent of mother's some of them
were made by her hands I receive letters
occasionally from Enos. No one he wrote in
the winter he said he had written

to a number of the family and
there had not any except father
and me ~~that~~ ~~had~~ answered his
letters, he seemed to think they
neglected ^{to write to} him because he was
poor. It was sad news to me that
he had lost all. If he was here
we could place him on a farm,
and let him have stock to keep
on shares, and enable him to start.
Harvey has helped some men in that
way, and at the same time been
having land that would otherwise
have been of but little use to him,
improved, and yield something
to him, but I don't expect
Enos would come to Wisconsin
to live, if a farm were offered
him for nothing. Spring is very
backward here, there has been but
very few pleasant days yet

Our men folk, have all gone to the
city to attend a war meeting

Berlin is in a quite so fever
on the subject, Luthu's family are
well as usual he has been troubled with
rheumatism a good ^{deal} since he got home
I am in hopes we can go down
next fall and make a visit. It
seems quite an undertaking for me
to go so far from home. I have
never been a dozen miles from
Berlin since we come here. But whether
we ever meet again on earth or not
it is my earnest desire that we
may all meet in Heaven.

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