

Brown Marsh

Dec 12th 1867

My dearest Cousin

I received your highly appreciated letter, and will endeavour to answer it, it makes me feel both glad and sorry to get your letters, when I receive a letter it makes me want to see the dear boy nurse, I am sorry to say I cant go up to see you all Christmas, Mother says I cant go, and you know what she says must be so, I dream the other night you and Hannie were here, I thought Cousin Harry was dressed terable fine, that is a good dream for her. Cousin Joe I had the toothache to kill last night, are you sorry for me? James gave me some pain killer to kill it but it did not do it, he was sorry for me. now aint this interesting,

Well, Cousin Joe, Lucinda is married you
do, or was to be to-day, Uncle Andrew I think
and Aunt Mary were invited, they say,
wouldn't invite me Uncle Andrew won't
told them of they didn't invite me
he wouldn't go, but I guess he went, and
they were to spend Christmas at their
Father's, I hope they will have a gay like
time, Look, here Cousin Joe when are
you and Miss Mary going to be
married? tell me like a pretty boy
I will not tell every body.

I don't hear talk of many getting
married a bout here, I wish they
would be a great many, and you
would come to some of them.

I have been staying home so close
that I haven't any news to tell
you, and Sarah is here sick, and
Shipman her little boy has
the whooping cough, and all together
makes me stay around, I know

you will excuse a short letter
I hope. I saw Mary & the other
they day, she was well, I know she
would be glad to see you too,
Mary and Kate Kelly had their
amblyps, don't you wish you had
them & seckan cousin who would
gay like to have Marys. Mary &
when and myself liked to ^{hand} had ours
to be taken but we got disapantid we
were going to have them taken
together. Dear I want - yours I
don't think these photographs look
half as well as you do. give my
love to all the family, and tell
Mannie to write soon and answer
that question I asked her, dear
cousin I hope you will excuse
this letter if it could be called
one, bad writing spelling and
all. good by Yours long lew
C. A. S.
will soon soon do you hear?

