Lsb transcript of Hiram Wyckoff Letter

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from the Wyckoff Family Papers:

July 15th 1863

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I now take my pen in hand to write you a few lines to let you know how I am geting along. I am wel and I hope when these lines comes to hand? they may find you and the rest of the boys in good health and good spirits. I have bin in the service some several months and I know how soldiering goes also though I am discharged now and at home. I was discharged at Galiton, Tennisee. I came home in March. We had it very wet here in the spring and there it set. Is dry and continues so yet. I got a letter from Jesse Oldaker

last week and they was al wel then and said West was there and they was wel. Wel George I just finished plowing corn today and it looks very wel and the wheat crops was very good here and there is plenty of apples here. I want you to show this to Noah West and the rest of the boys there that I was aquainted with there. If there is any of them where you ar. I would like to see you al and talk with you al. I don't know but what I shal go to Missouri for I have sold out here and I have to determine where I wil go to yet. I want to know where your brothers is. I am sorry to say that I have the sad news for you that my father is dead. He died the

fourteenth of June. He had the dropsey. The times is geting beter than they have bin here for some time. I want you and Noah West to write as soon as you can and I wil do the same. I hant? never got any letter yet from you yet and I just thought that I would would write you a few lines and I want you to do the same. Direct your letter to Strawtown Indiana.

So nothing more at present, but remain your friend and wel wisher until death.

Your sincere cousen, Hiram Wyckoff.

To George Wyckoff

(there are several instances of a word that might be haint/hant. I can't determine what it is. It could read "have to" in one instance, and "haven't" in another. But, I'm thinking it might be hant/haint, meaning ain't.)

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