

2881 Sept-13th 1882
Dear Channing - I have just
received your letter of Sept-3rd
and will answer it, and yours of
the 29th of August. now, and first about
fixing the Barn, if we dont sell right-
away, or before it is ^{absolutely} necessary to have
it to use, perhaps you had better get
Plank at Aconnowoc and make a
floor and make it do until Spring
you cannot put in a sill and fix
the whole end of the Barn as it sh-
ould be when there is grain in the
grainery or anything over the
Stable, use your own judgment
about it anyway. I knew just how
bad it was a year ago - If you can
reasonably avoid any expense do
so, if not fix it some way so as to get
along until it can be done thoroughly

we are well, I think Ma must get fat if she
done housework and thrashing has 575-1
210 they feed her crops are very poor
just four bushels of grain in whole crop
dont mention it I did not expect you
but of that more - anon

and now about selling the land, did
Ransom mean that he would give
6000, for the ninety acres alone, or did
he mean, with my share of the crops.
With, or without, if there is a good
prospect that he will take it at 6000,
within a reasonable time, Patten or
or Willard ought to do as well - I am
willing to sell it for that and even a
little less if necessary, but would rather
sell the whole at 45, per acre if we
can - The fact is the more I see and
learn of other parts of the world, the
more I prize Wisconsin and the old
farm, and that is the mind of all
of us except Sam and Ellen - But
I am getting old and cannot take
care of a large place and as none
of my children can buy it or are
willing to rent it during the rem-
ainder of my days, I am constri-
ained to let it pass at a low price

frustrate - I will or Miss G. by and by
I wish you don't want it then go
ma thinks that notion is worth to
into the hands of strangers - It wrings
my heart, but it evidently must be
sold some time, and I think I
had better do it than any one else,
If any one of my children could have
it, and the rest of us have our rights
out of it, I would be Oh, so glad to
have it so, I do not want what has
cost me so much hard labour
and self denial, to pass entirely
out of my family. Whatever agr-
eement you may make regarding
its sale, which you consider rea-
lly binding upon me, I will confir-
m, and make out, and ex-
ecute, a perfect deed here, to
the proper person, and send it
to you for delivery, or if it is thought
best I will send you a Power
of Attorney to do it for me, I
think however, the former way
would be the most satisfactory

It would be welling to come out here
is worth about 700 dollars per fellow -
owing to being got in late on west ground
Buck gets - 100 Wheat - 100 Barley - and

did not make so much - I am glad you got
to all concerned - When you read all my
letters about the sale of the land I think
you will understand what I want
you to do, so I will say no more about
it this time - I did not say anything to
Emerson about that note - I think as
you do about it, put it into some
Lawyer's hands for collection in ^{Wool} Oconomowoc
if it wont cost me too much, and if
being out of our Co dont make any
difference to me, ascertain about
these things in good season - Is the
cheese factory insured, if so, in what
at Co, and for how much, - Have
those foot stones come and been set
I promised McGee the old Whiffletrees, ^{Wick yokes} etc
with the Wagons let him have them or
some of them so that he wont have any
excuse for not paying and saying
I did not keep my word



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