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Dear Husband

As you will see I am here in this great octagon house. I came here last Thursday & have been visiting & calling on our old neighbors ever since I have not heard a word from any of you since the letter you wrote on Friday before you expected your house to be vacated I suppose there may be letters at Amboy waiting. I have hoped I should get them if there was I expect to return there the last of this week Mr Wilcox & Mary are going to the City I thought I would send a line by them as it will be two weeks to morrow since I mailed a letter to you I have not heard any thing from Putnam or Miss Inglesby since I wrote you last.

Miss I was to visit at Aunt Jetties last week. I suppose she did after I came here. I hope to see her yet.

I am glad that you can write so cheerful about our situation I hope you feel reconciled to it

For my part I care but little
where we are if the Lord wills it
should be so. If we are shut up in
Deerfield we ought & I hope we
shall be satisfied that it is the
place for us I have almost made
up my mind that we might as
well board this winter as try
to keep house at the price every
thing is I have been expecting
when I do hear from you again
that you are disappointed ~~again~~
about a house Dr Hamilton of
Gordon called on me last week
He said that the people of Gor
made an effort to get you last
spring but did not know when
to write to you. They have a
young man from Anderson He
& wife board at the hotel
The great complaint every where
is want of houses

I saw a letter from Mary last
Sat. It was written to Mary Fancher
She is in Logansport He said
Mr Higgins was going back to Ohio
on his cousin's lot it seems he is not
going to Muscatine This is the first

word I have heard from him
since The left Springs
Mr Davis gave his up here They
do not think they can pay him an
other year The Church are re-
solved to a very fear but they are
all getting over His wife's health
is very poor I called there last
week when the thermometer was
at 40 in the shade and she wanted
a shawl on I told him he had better
go to Dulacoin He would find it
hot enough for her there. He is
a very excellent man very different
from Mr Bacon I am expecting
to see Mrs Flaggerty this morn
I met her yesterday in the store
where I was in the village She
& Hannah had started to come
to Mr Wilcocks to see me. She
said she would come this morn
She came from Iowa to spend the
summer with Hannah She is a
great fat broad faced woman.
Mr W is about ready to start so
I must stop I shall write again
soon Your wife Affectionately