

From Mary E. Bedford to A.M. Bedford

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St[.] Joseph

March 8th 1864

My Dear Husband[.]

I received yours of the 22 after I left Uncle Henry Russell[.] I am always glad to hear from you & hear you are well[.] I left all of our relations & friends well in Kentucky[.] we landed in St[.] Joseph yesterday Saft[.] I am going up home to morrow[.] I would give any thing on earth to meet you thar[.] I hope & trust the time will soon come when you can return home to enjoy the comforts & blessings of home[.]

I received a letter from Brother Thom Bedford last week[.] Tha [they] wer all well[.] he ses he has not received a letter from you for over too years[.] if you need any money you must let me know & I will send it to you[.] I will write to you as soon as I get home & give you all the news[.] this leaves us all well[.] you must write to Aunt Lizze[.] She ses she wants to hear from you often[.]

it is peaceable hear now & I hope it will continue so[.] the children often speak of you & want to see you[.] Jennie kiss me for you every day[.] the children all look well & are growing very fast[.] I must close so good night[.] Father & Brother Jo[.] & famley all Join me in love to you & your miss[.] the children all send you a kiss[.]

from your most affectionate Wife[.]

Mary E. Bedford