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Dear Mama.

I could hardly keep back the tears when I got the mail this morning and there was no word from you.

I hope your present nurse is better liked than your first one was, so Ellen said. It can't be helped but I don't like this being so we can't hear from you directly. I have written Mrs Vandevort to if possible go and see you and write to me for you.

I had to laugh at Clifford last evening. He went by Morgan's going to town. Ellen asked him if we had any late word from you. He forgot that I had phoned Saturday so said no.

Morgan met him as he was returning from seeing Pa and

Clifford told him I had word
Saturday. Morgan told Clifford
of Grandma Hancock and Pa
so Cliff went on over to Mr Ross
to get ^{the} Stern and while there
wrote you on Vernal letter about
Pa but forgot to sign his name.
Vernal went back to Talup this
morning. There is no school today
as the teacher is sick at Mr Talup's.
She complained of her throat last
Saturday, as she rode to town with us.
What dismal weather enough to give the blues
I guess the hospital folks will think
I am more of a lover than a husband
by my frequent letters.

I hope you are still improving
I send this in by Mr Pebler. Clifford
got some medicine from Ellen sulphur &
honey and his throat is about well. He had
loose bowels so is at home today. Goodbye love
Affectionately Yours Lewis H. Walker