





This is show that
Asa Young is head
in the first class
and merits the approbation
of ^{his} tutors. M A Alexander
Dec 14th 1850.

Russellville Ky Nov 6th 1857
Brother

Your
epistle bearing date the 2^d, and containing
a five dollar bill came to hand yesterday,
and pleased me much to learn that you
was all well again, but I was indeed
very sorry to hear that Fleming Green
was dead. I am proud to say that
I am enjoying the best of health, and
though I am offered superior advantages
here for mental culture, I am it seems
to me progressing slowly, tis not because
of want of application, I dont think, or it
may be too, but I will tell you just how
it is and then you be your own judge,
confining myself to a room and looking
over my lessons I can do it to a charm, but
at the same time, whilst studying my lessons
"my thoughts will wander," and conception

go astray, and consequently I find it a very difficult task to speed rapidly, now a college is no more like such a school as old Jesse Murrels, than night is like day, a man don't know in such a school as murrels whether he is really learning any thing or not, that is if he is not pretty sharp, But here he is very apt to know, for the ^{clerk} books in the recitation ^{room} will show it, what I mean by this is that a good many students go to school and study hard, and think that a sufficient guarantee that they are learning, their teachers you know not testing them on the lessons, now this is the great trouble in all our country schools, teachers are too careless with scholars, and when they learn any thing they don't know it still, and they go to school for years learning the same thing over again, they teach here on the principle that when a man knows any thing he can tell it, I would not have you infer

— from this that I am getting low marks
 on my recitations, for I have every good
 reason to believe that I am getting on as well
 as an average, you said in your letter you
 probably would come down after me Christmas,
 well now my opinion is that it would pay
 for it will cost at least six dollars fifty
 cents to go home ^{in the} stage besides take me
 about three days nearly, If you come
 down after me, I would like to have you
 get here about Saturday before Christmas,
 for I will have to start back down here
 again before vacation is out in order
 to get here against school commences,
 And if I go the Spring Session I will
 not get to come home any more until
 June, write to me when you get this
 and let me know certain whether you
 can come or not, & it is getting late and
 I am getting sleepy so I'll close, give my respects
 to Father & Mother and accept my best wishes
 Yours &c
 G. C. Garner of Borren } Asa E. Young

April the 18th 1867.

Mr Asa E. Young

Dear Cousin Asa

As it has been a long time since I heard from you. I have written several letters to you & have never gotten none from you except the first one. Have you ever received any of mine. Cousin we have had quite and over flow it was higher this year than it ever was before. it was about ten inches deep in our houses.

We had to build false floors. we lost nearly all of our stock. Mamma says she is determined to leave this country. now if she lives. I fear I will not interest you much for no one in this place never hears nor sees any one to hear any news. I will be so glad when we get away. the river is rising here again but we hope that it will not get over its banks. again. some say that it will come up again & some say that it will not. nearly every body are floating timber. there is about a dozen ~~men~~ ^{men} up above here a bout two mile got about one thousand type of timber. they make a great deal on it. We have commenced clearing up our ground to go to farming. Mamma has only two hands a negro man & a woman. hands are hard to get here & when we do get them they charge so much that it nearly breaks any one up to. here. then, Mamma gives her hands one half for the other they board themselves & mamma furnishes all the farming materials. & she gets one half you must excuse this short letter for it is late & there

is a boat going to stop here in the morning and that is the only
way we can get letters any where. We are all in reasonable health at
this time, & believe give our love to all of our relations. You must write
to me soon. All join me in best love to you. Anna says write to her

To when are you coming to your Affectionate Cousin and
Mr Asa E. Young } see us we all } Friend
From } would be so glad to see } Martha Buckner
Martha Buckner } you }

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P.S. When you write direct your letters
to Boats Point Tennessee

Cousin send me your photograph
if you pleas.

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July the 30th 69

Will Giff I learn that you have no home
Bacon at your house and I know that you
was when you lived at your father's you was
used to having it to fry for breakfast and
it must be hard to do without it I do not
blame your husband as he is not able to
furnish it but so long as I live you shall
not do without it and all other necessities of life
such as flour and lard sugar and coffee and milk
and butter so when you lack such things
you know who to call on yours with due
Respect

J. D. Smith

in best-love to you both & your families
 Cousins write to me it affords me so
 much pleasure to read letters from my mother
 people as I never get to see them.
 write soon & often to your unknown
 Cousin

Martha C. Huffman
 Barefields Point
 Mississippi County
 Kansas

Sept 20th - 1872

Mr Asa & Mr George Young
 My Mother's Dear Cousin

You will perhaps think very strange
 of receiving a letter from one whom you
 know nothing of. But Cousins as I have
 nothing to hinder me to night I take
 great pleasure in writing to you both
 to ask you all how you are for the first
 time. I feel that I know you all as
 I have heard my mother speak so often
 of you. & have read so much of Uncle
 Asa's poetry & songs that he composed
 years ago. I have seen very few of my
 Mother's relations but they feel as near

and as dear to me as my Father's relations
 whom I have lived near all my life.
 Mother is not very well at this time
 but she is in better health now than
 she has been for several years at this time
 she generally has a spell of the Syphoid
 Fever about this time.

She looks quite young though consider-
 ing her sickness & her troubles she has
 eight children in all. seven at home
 with her. I am her eldest Brother
 Jimmie her next. He will soon be
 a man in age he is already in size
 but is very unhealthy.

Not able to do any kind of hard
 work. He is in business at Barfield's Point
 and is doing quite well.

I am in very bad health & have been
 for the last three years. I have been
 bed fast all last winter & spring &
 the larger portion of the Summer
 just been so for the last two months.

That - I can attend to my little house-hold
 affairs, Ma has two grown daughters besides
 my self, Bettie & Ellen, then Johnnie
 Sallie & Willie, Willie he is the youngest
 six years old, quite a large boy.
 The worst is that troubles Ma is she
 cant - school her children as she wishes
 to do there are no good schools here,
 If a good school teacher comes in
 the neighbor hood to teach some
 one of people gets angry with them
 on the account of them being
 strict on their children & in that
 way they get so few scholars that
 they get disheartened & leave, so we
 never have no good schools & that
 is all the reason that they ever give
 for not - teaching, in Pa's life time
 he kept a teacher in the family
 so teachers Ma kept them also for
 two years, but she can not get
 one these days with out paying such

enormous prices that she can not do it
 now Cousins I wish you all would
 write to her, she thinks you all
 care nothing for her as you all never
 write to her, she gets very low spirited
 at times.

I have been married four years the
 first day of this month but I live
 in a half mile of her I see or hear
 from her every day.

I have a little girl three years old
 the 20th day of last June she is a
 very large child to her age. My little
 boy died the 22nd day of last April
 he was three months old when he died
 my husband Mr Huffman is in
 very bad health, & has been all the
 year. If I live & we have good luck
 I intend visiting Kentucky one time
 more in life. Ma and all join me

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Cave City, June 4th 1883.

A. E. Young Esq.

My Dear Brother

I am at Hardins get-
received safely on Saturday
at noon - found all well
but acquaintances on the
case - had a pleasant time
"I was Sammie, the second
boy that was sick - had spasms
caused by indigestion - had
eaten unripe fruit - he
got better as soon as his
stomach and bowels acted
"I was strange that I was so
much mistaken in reading
the letter - I have not told
any one here of my mistake
was ashamed of it.

All well at Bettie's Sammie
and Tibba were here Friday night
at the school exhibition.

I hope you are all well this bright morning after such a rainy night. The rain fell in torrents yesterday evening and last night - rained all day yesterday.

I hope Minnie will like her shoes. They are best quality - price $\$2.50$ I paid $\$2.25$. I thought them a bargain at two dollars and a quarter.

Minnie must come up here and stay while when her school is out. Sister Kate spent the day here week before last.

Betty spent the day here last Tuesday. She said that Prof. Flood had sent Siggie King a subject for an essay and she was going to write one and would be at the close of the school in Glasgow if well enough.

Gardens here look very well
have peas and potatoes to eat.
Butter is very low and paying
chickens 1st 45^{cts} per. doz.

No news of interest to write
Had large rink collection
at Davis hall Saturday
night. A man by the name
of Morning Star said to be
the champion skater of Ky.
wrote Hardin asking the privilege
of skating there tonight.

Skating is the popular
amusement now for all
ages sex and conditions.

Fannie sends much love to
you all and tell you the baby's
named Archie Brent - forgot -
to tell you such checkie for
whom his first name Archie is,
is dead. The children are very
much exercised about going to
the rink say they cant wait till night

Hope you will be able to read
this pencil writing. Haddin
does not keep stationary
~~at the house~~ else I should
have written sooner.

Give love to all accept
the same. Bless the dear
children. Tell them I love
them if I did sometimes chide.

Affectionately Yours
A. J. Davis

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Happy Valley, June 10th 1883.

A. E. Young Esq.

My Dear Brother

I wrote you from Hardins last Monday morning. That evening the Primary election was held at Cass City and I came home with Dr. Caldwell have been here ever since.

I have had the worst spell of laziness since I got home. Had sleepy headache was fit for nothing but to lie down and sleep.

It has been raining all the morning the cistern is full and would have run over had the water not been turned off; The pond is a lake covering the lot; The children all housed up keep up a continual clatter and I heard Pa. exclaim in a harsh irritated tone of voice, down stairs just now, as it poured down raining "Rain! you aint half a raining!" (After the manner of Mr. Jackson)

The bees have been swarming like mad,
 for several days swarms two or three
 times a day always going back in the
 gum again. Yesterday a swarm set-
 tled and was thought to be hived
 but after the rain they were gone in
 the gum they had gone back where
 they came from. A swarm came out
 just now before it fairly held up rain-
 ing. I am hiving them it is raining
 briskly again. Jennie got stung. Sam-
 uel after her and she ran too near
 the bees. Bettie is trying to make
 ice cream has killed two chickens
 for the first fry this spring. I told
 her not to they are so few and small
 have had peas, potatoes and beets
 Mrs. Riches still holds to the superstition
 if you don't plant in the right time
 of the moon, vegetables will not do well.
 "All do as they please this rainy day."
 And "thus runs the world away."

Mr King came over last Tuesday evening
 to help take honey and play we
 quit did not make much speed
 at either Sister Kate, Asa and George
 drove off in the buggy and left
 Mr. King and I, to finish the game.
 Mr. King, Asa, Lizzie and Ella were
 going to Glasgow next day. The
 girls came home Friday evening.
 I mean, Asa went for them that morning.
 I would have seen some of them to
 day had it not rained.

Tell mother her fowls look ever
 so much better than Betty's, and
 Sister Kate has had bad luck with
 hers. Sister looks well and cheerful.

Tell Jimmie and the boys to come
 up this fall and go to Louisville. If
 you or brother George cannot go I
 or Harriet or some safe person would
 go with them. I know Sam. and
 Luther Wells want to go.

(Bette came up stairs just as I am
 finishing with her head tied up, her
 severe headache this evening sends
 love to you all and would be so glad
 to see you all down there and tell
 grand ma she has no young fowls at all
 hardly - so much rain and grass and woods
 they died in spite of all.
 Tell Georgie and Ned the milk here is
 not good like their cows give Tell Minnie I
 expect some of Aunt Kate's folks will
 come down this summer and she must
 come home with them. Tell Ellis I am
 afraid he'll fall in that big hole in the
 creek where he goes fishing. Tell Oscar he
 must not pet Hardin, and I'll bring him
 a set of marbles when I come. Tell Bessie
 to send me word how she is getting along
 putting up butter and besure to stay
 till I come again. Kiss Hardin for me.
 The school districts up here are hav-
 ing a high time, some of the most
 peaceable citizens at daggers points
 talk of building a private school house
 by Harmon Backow, Ben Dake and
 Jack Harris. Much love to all including
 her family. Affectionately A. J. Davis.

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Came City Ky May 27th 1913
Dear Lillian

Recd your card
Yesterday was so glad to hear
from you, sorry to hear that
Oscar was sick, hope he is
very much better by this time
! Well our Company is here
Mrs Gardin Cole of ^{my} Harris Tex
arrived here the 19th and Mrs
Edla Thornton of ^{my} Anacostia
Missouri arrived the 20th Mrs
Cole is a Daughter of John
Davis and Mrs Thornton is
a Daughter of Nat Davis

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Their fathers were Brothers
 of Cousin Sam Davis Mrs
 Thornton is a very good looking
 Woman, has a Sweet face, but
 Mrs Cole I will just pass over
 that, I cannot do the subject
 justice. Bob Golly arrived here
 the afternoon of the 20th and
 just left this morning for Louisville
 enroute to Texas. our Company will
 leave Thursday, Mrs Thornton will
 go to Illinois to visit her
 Daughter, and Mrs Cole will
 Return home. they are expecting
 Gay Davis of Cisco Tex about the
 12th of June she expects to stay
 some time did I write you
 that Clyde Davis is at the

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Popar Sanatorium in Louisville
 She has been there six weeks,
 but they say she is not improv-
 -ing fast, her sickness seems
 to be a Overous breakdown.
 Cous Perry went up to see her
 Yesterday, will probably stay
 several days. well I believe
 I have nothing more to write
 this time. we are all as well
 as usual (Cous Hardin is Frisking
 around like a 10 year old Boy)
 with much love to all the family
 and all enquiring friends
 I am Lovingly
 Aunt Mollie
 writes very soon

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At Home Monday July 2^d 1917

Dear Lillian

I am sorry
to have to inform you that it will be
impossible for us to visit you this week.
We are in bed with another spell with
stomach. Taken this morning and is
suffering very much we will have
the first opportunity

Love and Best wishes
Your Father
A. E. Young

IN THE MATTER OF)
 MRS. HUBERT BOWLES, ADMX.) FINAL SETTLEMENT
 OF THE ESTATE OF)
 ELLA YOUNG)

Comes now Mrs. Hubert Bowles, administratrix of the estate of Mrs. Ella Young and makes this her full, final and complete settlement.

She states that she had previously wound up this estate but thereafter a judgment was collected against John S. Young and she received as administratrix of said estate therefrom the sum of \$1409.67. She states that said funds have been disbursed as follows:

V. H. Jones, Attorney.Fee.	\$ 25.75
George D. Young, heir	460.83
Ellis Young, heir	460.83
Lillian Bowles, heir	460.85
State tax on check account	1.41
TOTAL	\$1409.67

She files herewith checks for the aforementioned disbursements as receipts.

WHEREFORE she prays that this be taken as a full, final and complete settlement and that she and the surety on her bond be finally discharged.

WITNESS the signature of said administratrix, this the 16th day of February, 1946.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me by Mrs. Hubert Bowles, this the 16th day of February, 1946.

BESS HOWARD, C. B. C. C.

BY _____ D.C.

No. 72
20 March 1950
Received of Lillian Bowles
Three 50/100 Dollars
order, prob + petition will of
Herbert Bowles
Amount Paid \$ 356
Balance Due \$ 0
National No. 2874 Made in U. S. A. Martha S. Allen Clk

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Received of Lillian
Bowles, \$88. as my part
of the Wyatt place - one
third of John's part.
Ellis Young

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Received of Lillian Brown
\$85 - as my part of The
Wyatt place - one third
of John's part.
Geo D Young