

Quilting

R says tell him that ~~you are~~ ^{he is} alive & kicking, has gone to milk & my little boy is talking & kicking in my lap so if it troubles you read this lay it to him

but I must stop
will try to do better next time
from your sister
write soon

M. E. M^{rs} Dorrance

L. G. Burnell

July 21st tell B. I get her letter & will answer soon

direct to New Milford

I did not have a good chance to send this until now please excuse it

I will send you a piece of paper

July 8th 1860

Dear Brother

Having rec'd a letter yesterday I thought it best to answer it directly.

The weather has been quite warm the past month but is cooler now than in June. The grain is ripening quite fast R has cut his barley & his oats look quite ripe, he says, crops look quite nice and I hope will be better than last year unless the bugs take it, corn looks nice it is rather dry, & very dusty & windy to-day, the children have just returned from the Sabbath School, I have not been in yet would liked