Bakersfield June 9" 1858

Dear Son

I arrived at home the 4" Inst--quite unwell & I am not well now. I wrote you from Princeton Ill-- in refference to my not going to Iowa &c &c Mother & A are in usual health & were glad to welcome me home again. John Maynard has been at home during my absence. from what I can learn I think that he is doing well I have not as yet been able to find any land warrants but shall go or send to St Albans & if to be had will forward them as soon as may be. I hope ere this that you have disposed of your goods & found your Horses. Mother says that when you launch your carriage she would like to have you call & take her to ride, & as you use tobacco, you will not object to her using snuff--

I have not decided what I shall do-- My friends are urging me to resume my former business. Brigham does not keep a general assortment of Goods, nor does he give general satisfaction. Dean is doing but little. he wishes to sell me his stand, &c &c but I shall wait awhile & see what may turn up-- business is dull here as well as in the West. Please write me how your Mill opperates & how your crops look it has been very wet West-- when I left they were planting over their corn wheat looked well. there is nothing new or interesting here worth mentioning I learn that in August you vote on English's Amendment to the L Constitution. see that you vote it down down & consign it to oblivion & I wish we could send the Authors of it to perdition or some place where they would repent of Sins & Do as they should

Give my regards to all who may enquire after me

Yours as ever

S. T. Learnard