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Dear Cousin Sandy Burby I
take my pen in hand to write you
a few lines to let you now
that I am well at present and hope
that Ted. this may find you the Same
I am going to school this winter
and am studying reading and speaking
and arithmetic and the Grammar lessons are all
Done the Straw Sack is all Covered
with a Sheet but I want you to let
me now about Penelope's name is
your father and your mother are all well
your father is removing to this State
David Bayer is not going to school
much this winter his father is teaching in
the district which Send his Love
and Respects to you I will Write Soon