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My dear Sister

Ever since Rebecca came home I have been wishing to write you, she thinks if you sell out the Farm you may come here to live I would be delighted, that is just what I want, a house where I can feel at home, that I don't think I ever can have here unless some of my family came to here to live.

You can get a place handsome here for 7 thousand dollars which in Dayton would cost at least 16 I think Mrs. Wilbers place is a great deal handsomer than Charley Andersons and the(y) only paid 7000. If it should look like your leaving the farm you come over and look.

I have been deeply immersed in housecleaning soap making washing bed clothes intersperced with gardening. I thought I would get off without taking up my carpets they went down last fall so clean, but it would not do, up they all had to come, so we have had real hard work for two weeks but are pretty well through all of that now.

We are about having a Mammoth Festival in our Church to be held at the County Fair ground on the 18th to commence at \_\_\_\_\_ and continue until bedtime. There is to be a Band of Music & Fireworks, a Game of Base Ball in the afternoon to bring out a crowd then we are to have a grand supper which we expect to sell to the crowd ice cream & strawberries Baguettes and some fancy tables beside of articles made by our sewing society, I wish

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