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here and settle he would do first rate  
even to work at his trade I wrote to Mary  
last Monday I have not heard from Walter in  
most 2 months but expect a letter every day  
I suppose he will soon home now Allen I  
must tell you that Jim and I went to Amas  
querade Ball the 15<sup>th</sup> of last month it was held  
in Bond du Lac in Amory Hall I tell you  
it was quite a novelty to me the Dress were  
very rich there was about 12 hundred present  
the Hall will seat 15 hundred 30 set can dance  
quite easy I did not dance as I was not able  
but the visit done me good we are acquainted  
with some French Families so we staid over  
night & had a grand dinner Supper  
will you tell Brother Allen to please send me  
them Cabbage seed he promised me and tell  
him to send them right off as I shall want  
to plant them soon & say to him just to  
write a few lines if he has not forget how  
many Allen I will bid you good night with  
much love I remain your loving Sister Kate  
give love to all my Brothers and Sisters &  
kin little Allen for Auntie Kate  
tell Fony I think he might write to me

Union  
for ever

Springvale Feb the 6<sup>th</sup>

1849

My Dear Uncle Allan  
I received your welcome letter in due  
time and was glad to hear from you  
and to hear that you was well we are  
all as well as usual out herewith  
the exception of Walter he has  
been quite ill for two or three  
days but is some better today  
Agnes complains some  
today we have all got a severe  
Cold and most every body has  
at present it is quite warm  
today the trees are all covered  
with frost and the sun is shin-  
ing brightly which make them  
look very beautiful as the frost  
descends in feathersy flakes to  
the ground it is just

nice if you remember a very thing about our folks let me know  
 come in the morning for want in his family  
 Photo graph to him & Mrs. Allen they are very

Springvale March 9<sup>th</sup> 1880

like snow I am over half  
 through my Arithmetic  
 but the lessons is quite short  
 and easy learned that is I  
 can learn it very easy when  
 I lay my mind to it  
 I am now writing this in  
 school we have splendid  
 skating out here now I got  
 me a pair of skates this winter  
 which cost two dollars they  
 are a fine pair i can  
 skate Backward as fast as i can  
 run and forwards pretty fast  
 but I must close as ma  
 has to write on the other  
 half of this sheet give love  
 to all and kiss my Cousin  
 Allen for me I close by remaining  
 your Affectionate Nephew  
 J Wallace Alexander Porter  
 Providence Fondulas Co Wis V 1880

My Dear Brother  
 I meant to have answered  
 your letter long ago but since I have been  
 sick it dont seem as though I ever would  
 get time to do any thing but work they  
 was 5 weeks I could not do the first thing  
 and me one to do the work but Jim &  
 Lena and she cant do much yet it was  
 Inflammation of the Kidneys I had to  
 was very ill for 3 weeks I thought I was  
 called for but my time had not yet come  
 I am round about as usual but dont feel  
 strong the Children have all been quite sick  
 with Influenza but are better Wall & Lena  
 wrote their letters most 2 weeks ago but Wall  
 did not date his till the 6<sup>th</sup> it is a most impossi-  
 ble to get round with a team but the vet-  
 er is quite fine for the reason I am sorry  
 you cant come and see us for you dont  
 know how well I would like to see my  
 Brothers I do hope Walter will come out