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Corset Junction STATION, May 24 1881

Dear Sister Lizzie

I am in the condition of the prophet and ready to exclaim 'What shall I write?' The winter is over and gone and the prairie chicken is heard in the land and Nature has put on her green mantle again and all things are lovely, but it is hard to get news. The papers supply all there is, and personal affairs must take the place of public. Mary has left Nebraska for the far west either Idaho or Oregon. They started last fall and wintered in Utah. She did not seem over much pleased with Mormon institutions. Dan, Kate, and Ada are still in Nebraska. Dan is married and

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has a boy which he calls Owen Ed-
lingwood. Owen is in the north
part of the State in a mill and
I am in Center Junction running
a RR depot through the week and
a Sunday School on the Sabbath.
It is better than doing nothing, but I do
not like it as well as I should something
else. Joanna is going out
to Nebraska to see her mother. She
will start on Thursday. When
she gets back I will let you know
and we shall be glad to see your
pleasant countenance in Center
Junction.

The political world seems to
be in trouble. I hope it will continue
to boil until it gets purified, but
it will take a hot fire to do it.

We have had quite a sensation
here in the shape of a first class
burglary. About \$6000⁰⁰ in clear
cash was taken from a store here
and no word of it. I wish Pinkerton
was here for I think it is a case
that would exercise his powers.

When I can find anything to
write will send you another
epistle Love to all

Yr aff Bro
John E. Looney