We have been expecting william out here this fall but I reckon he will not come, from the way he wrote that he wanted us to come in and stay all winter we can not come this fall for I have been sick so mutch and making nothing and paying out all the time that It stands me in hand to make something now and save awhile I do not say I will but everything turns up right I will very likely come in next fall once in three years is as often as I can come yet I would be willing to come every year but my means will not admit It costs me a good deal to fix my family to go & then the trip costs a good deal but I intend to go as often as my means will admit while you & mother lives engoyment is what I want not riches so mutch riches would not go amiss in this instance riches would go a great ways for if I had them we would see you every year but so it is

Give My Respects to Riverious & America

& all enquiring friends we Remainging

your affectionate Children till death

James M. & R.P. Norwood

William Sam & Virginia Norwood

James H. Norwood

Samuel W & S. Ireland

America & Riverus Ireland

Oct 6th 1855

Satterday morning I have just Reed your letter I am glad to hear that Parmela is better and you think she is out of danger I hope to hear again by Wensday mail. I come to the office to put this one in and found yours

A D Ireland

Cabin Creek Dec. 25th 1856

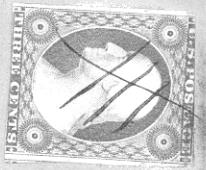
Dear Son

we are all about as when I last wrote I see no diferance in your mother she is hearty eats very hearty and would weigh more than she would at enny time for years I am troubled in my limbs a good deal and with my heart. Americo & Riverine is as well as usual. I Recd your letter on Satterday was glad to hear you was all in usual health. I Recd a letter for James M. Norwood dated on the 7th of this month all well then and had been: there is nothing new you aunt Teasy Cretcher is very low not expected to live. I understand Mary Eades will not return untill a change and it is likely that will be in deth. So you may get to see her if you come down soon

your house is about well he sun
at the nacs but did not broke under
the Jaws. Old hatk has been nearly
dead but has got better his legs
Swell I would not be Suppressed
if boath my old horses dies by
Spring it will not be a big
loss if they do though I would like
to have them a nother year
I did intend to write on Satterdy
but the mail has mist her trip
So I though I would let you
hear from us this morning
Write often

I remane your
father
S. D. Leland

Cabin Creek Ky
Dec 24



William C. Beland
Greenipsburg
Kentucky

Cabin Creek Ky
Oct 6

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THREE CENTS

Wm C. Ireland
Greenipsburg
Kentucky

Letter from
Aunt Rebecca Norwood

Cabin Creek May 14th 1856

Dear Son

I Recd yours of the 12th I am sorrow to heare of Parmela being unwell I am in hopes she has improved by this time. your mother is about as she was when I last wrote. I cannot see enny diference if she is enny better it is mity little. she says things and tolks at time with sence of few wordes at a time she yesterday advised me not to rase enny more tobacco to raise corn wheat & Barley. tobacco was too long on hans she tokes a intent in her Chicken & ducks at time she is not half as bad at this time as she was a go two years I am some better my cold is better my feet is cold all the time with a cold swent they swell in the winter they appeare swiveld now. I have to heat watter and wash them at time make the watter strong with salt

America & Rivenaus is well I Recd a letter from S M Norwood on Saturday mail all was well on the first day of this month and had been. I have been working Jack he is mighty good condition will make a first rate work horse if managed right. he had a spell of cattick on Saturday eavning I do not knowd what give it to him with but I let him drink too much watter all dinner I have not worked him enny since I will this eavning. I bought a old mare which is a great worker I expect I got a good borgan in her. the way horses sells she is 14 years old she does not look to be that old and it is doubtful whether she is that old. I give 30 Dallors for her she can do all my single

plowing my corn has come up very bad and indeed there is but little up the prospect is very bad for a crops heare I will have no barley with out rain in a few days it looks like rain to day. I thought your Court commend on next monday if you come down heare and go up from heare to Clarksburg you can ride Jack I do not know but I can do with out him Ellen Zuckers wants to know if the depotions that was taken at Aberdane in his Case and Wilsons will have to be taken over and if so if there will be time to do it and if you can not attend to it let him know how he had best to git in Mayville to attend to it. if you have not time to write much write if it is but a few lines so I can heare how pamela is I will feel uneasy all the time untill I know she is giting better I am very sorrow to heare of Virginia Eyes being sore. I still hope they will get well. I have no news of intest only ~~[illegible]~~ Mrs Maria Johns has gon deranged at this time worse than your mother she lives in East Mayville with Lemans they expect to send her to Lexington soon.

I will write every mail untill I see you. I remain your father

S. D. Ireland

it has raind a little since I wrote the above and looks like it mite rain to night what has fell will do but little good the more I got is large than her is now plowing tobacco grand over the second time Jack goes like a old horse slow no fuss with him

Greenupsburg Ky.
April 3, 1856,

Dear Father,

I received your letter, by last mail, I was glad to hear from you, and especially to hear that Mother was improving.

We are all now well, Pamelia, & Virginia have both improved.

I have been trying to buy a horse for you. It is a very difficult matter to find one that suits - that can be purchased at any price. I was looking at a mare this morning, she is 11 or 12 years old, but is a first rate, gentle worker. She is in thin order and with foal. I believe she would answer you well. The man asked me $60, I thought it too much, & offered him $50, which he refused to take. I went to see him a few moments ago, to see if we could not trade, but he had gone out & will not be at home until Saturday. I believe If I can do no better by monday I will buy her. We put her in a Sled this morning and she worked finely with a single line. I thought If I bought her it would be better to send her by the Scioto, than by Mail - as the mail boy rides hard, and as she is in foal it might hurt her. I am satisfied she will be able notwithstanding she is in foal to do your work. I have just this moment concluded that I will say to you to go down to the mouth of the Creek next monday night, and I will send the one I have spoken of if I find no other. Some person must be there

When the boat comes, if it would be inconvenient for you to remain, get some one there to take the horse & buck for you until you can possibly send for her. This will probably be the last. I will pay the charges on her here.

I have no news.

We have a good deal of talk about who shall be our judge. I think it probable that E. H. Dulin of this place will be a candidate. He is the decided choice of Grant, would run well in his old County of Fleming. He is well qualified. and would make a good judge, I am for him over all opposition.

She did not consent to run under any circumstances until within a few days.

I am very busy

Yours affectionately

W. C. Adams

P. S. I have heard nothing from Iowa.

Cabin Creek Feby 20th 1856

Dear Son

your mother mind is worse and I believe gits worse every day. I am fearfull she will become Ill natured she is quite Ill at times she does not destroy enny thing as yet she has bean in a good humor all day and is generally in a good humor. She think nearly every baddy is dead, kild and burnt up and same bonied in the snow she has not attempt to hurt enny of us as yet and I am in hopes she will not git that bad, though there is no telin what it will come to. I have very little hopes of her giting better before worme wheather if ever she does. She look bad and is giting poorer all the time. I have give her situation as near as I can to you. and will continue every week.

America & Riverious is as well as usual I have suffered in my limbs a good deal in the last three or four weeks I am to day some better. I expected to heare from you by this morning mail but no letter come. I Recd on last Wensday mail this night week. a long letter from I M Norwood all was well and had bean. I wrote to him on the 23th of Jay. after you left heare. and he got it and answered it the quickest ever enny went and come. I sub his letter he does not want to leave Iowa he has several places pick'd out for me in the peroues three & four mild's from wood the same distance from town and enny baddy lives. Very desirable places for a man