

Hamden, March 21st 1857

My Dear Mother:

I received ~~your~~
your letter safely, but I do
not remember what evening
I received it. You said that
you received your letters a
bout one o'clock but I do
not get mine sometimes
till a quarter past four
because then is the time
the cars get here and they
bring the male sometimes
and the boys brings the
male to, other times I
get my letters after
supper because they do
not give them out till

after supper sometimes.
I am glad to hear that
sister Anna can sit on the
floor a lone, and can shake her
head no no, and I am glad
that she loves to laugh and
play, I know she is very sweet
and I do love her dearly. Yes
I will soon be home to see all
the family, from to day I have
only to stay here a week and
five days. Yes so I would go to
church with you if I was home
and would be glad to go. Yes I
am kind to my school-mates.

I was very sorry to hear that Gan-
dha Ineed has been sick. Please
excuse my date because I made
a kinder of cram with 1857 and

got confused with it
and got a nother cram
up and the third I got
it right. This is all I
can think of so goodly
all at home.

Your affectionate son
Alfred

