

New Germany, N.S.,
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Dear Mamma:-

I suppose you celebrate your Thanksgiving day to-day. We didn't celebrate as we had ours over a month and a half ago. We are still thankful only we look on the Americans as slow. But I hope that you are all enjoying the holiday. I spent the day in an effort at sermonising, which so far has been only partially successful, but which I hope to bring to completion before the end of the week. I heard the good news of the great event in Herbert's family through a souvenir card of the "Little" family with a picture of the baby on it devouring an enormous piece of pie or swallowing it whole. I sent Herbert at once a congratulatory post-card in German script and dialect. I don't know whether he could read or not, but maybe the baby could. How does Herbert carry his paternal honours anyway? I guess they are both proud that it's a boy. As for myself nephews are becoming quite common. I would just as lief it had been a girl. A niece would have been some thing new. But as 'all