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Dear Mother:-

It is late to start a letter to-night, but I will try to write you a few lines at any rate. Our picnic last week spun itself out over two days and while it was not an unqualified success financially, it was not as complete a failure as I anticipated when I wrote you. We had a pretty good crowd on in the afternoon of the first day, the weather having cleared and on the second day we had a small crowd. We cleared in the two days \$52. If we had had a fine day we would have made at least \$75, but it was our luck to strike the only stormy day in a month. We had no rain before that for a long time and have had none since. In fact it didn't rain much that day but only threatened rain and rained enough to settle the dust. It is very dry here now and awfully dusty. The wells are getting low but we still have enough water for our use. I don't know how it is going though if this keeps up much longer. We got in the last of our marsh hay to-day. We made 5 tons. This makes our entire hay crop one ton better than last year. Our other crops are looking well. The barley is beginning to ripen. We should make about 200 bushels of barley and nearly 200 of oats. We should