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To my Dear Brother-in-law  
Joshua Kawanosh

Sir I take this opportunity  
to send a few lines to you, hoping that  
this letter will find you all well and doing  
well. I was exceedingly happy when I  
received a letter from my sister Sarah  
and also to hear that you was yet all  
well. But as to myself, I am yet on  
my sick bed, occasioned from a heat  
that I received in Dec. 1859. I am perfectly  
helpless, cannot stand up, nor sit up more  
than two or three minutes at a time.

I do not ever expect to get up again  
so as to be able to go about.

Dear Brother, could you not be able to  
come out and see me before I die  
If you cannot come yourself, try and  
persuade some one of my nephews  
to come out and see me, for I long  
to see some one of you, as I feel lonely  
since my daughter's death, Pamam quit o-  
qua. Mr Turner wife she died on 17<sup>th</sup>  
of Jan. 1861. But other wise we  
are

are all well. you will tell sister Josait  
that her son Po-nac-wah-quah-um, is  
well, but will get drunk now and then  
I have nothing more to say at present  
so no more. I shake hands with  
you all

Francis McCoone

To Joshua Kawanok