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"Brother Frank," 1869 October 3**

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Dear Sister

I recd your kind favo
more than a week ago &
was glad to hear from you
& your horse half also he says
I handled pretty Ruffly tell
him I was just in fun.

There is not much
news to tell you here at present
we had a very dry summer
here & throughout the surrounding
Country the water supply here
in the City was not sufficient
to accomodate the wants of the
people they had to pump up the
water into the Reservoirs by steam
the River got so low at Fairmount
that those large waterwheels
could not run on the high ground