

[1884-02-16; postal card filled one side with very tiny writing, worn, very hard to read; addressed to "Mr Nathan Sears, Care of Geo N. Spear, Greeley, Colorado."; postmarked "Shelburne Falls, Mass., Feb 18":]

S Falls. Feb 16.. 1884.

My dear Bro.. I was very glad indeed to receive your well-filled card of 392 words, last eve. I think you will take the prizes. I am sure I shall not be able to do any thing to equal it. You speak of the disagreeable weather that you are now undergoing. I think it cannot beat the terrible weather we have had for the past two weeks or more. The sun has no tput in an appearance but a very few times. it has been damp, foggy, & chilly. Friday of last week one thought it had cleared surely but yesterday was again cloudy, and today a hard, rainy day. The river broke up Friday, spoiling the Ice bridge for the workmen at the Cutlery, Our sleighing would be Wholly spoiled only for the thin coating of ice on the ground. Lizzie Spelman has been with us more than a week, went home last night. I, in my blundering way had a bad accident happen last night. We were making preparations for bed between 11 & 12, and I in passing thro' the sitting room, knock of the lamp from the sitting-room table, of course broke it, and spilled a quart more or less of oil on my carpet, also knocking off a pot of beautiful carnation pink, so you can imagine what a mess I had. I was sorry it was not J. who did it, so that I could scold him think that would have been some relief. I felt particularly sorry to have broken that lamp, as it was one Sarah got for me, years ago, and it was always a pretty one. To day I have a coating of corn meal, and brown paper, on the carpet and I guess it will all come out. Mr Guild had his limb taken off, last week Tuesday, at Mass.. Gen.. Hos.. and is doing well, Mrs G. writes. I hope to see Mrs Gale here this week. Hope the cold weather has moderated and you by this time have pleasant weather. J is preparing to be home my card is full. Love to all.
from Sister Hannah

[at top:] T[---]t get on 11 more words, any way, even if it all about O.



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