

Hightstown N.J. 1-13-17

My Dear Granddaughter

I received your letter with pictures of yourself and husband. and was verry much pleased to get them I will assure you. you look healthy and strong together with industry and good management will enable you to get along with the affairs of the world nicely, at least I hope so. I hope you have a good kind husband with good habits. be kind to each other and you will always be happy as trouble ^{never} appears until unkind treatment appears. I would like so verry much to see you. have always had such a desire or would been greatly pleased to have had you with us long ago the last letter I wrote your father I told him if when you were of proper age if he would let you come here with us I would educate you at state normal school at Trenton that you could earn your own living in a nice easy way I never heard from him after that. I was satisfied you either did not get our letter or he wouldnt let you write to us the last I wrote you until lately I satisfied me

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that I was right. Still I think he
did not act properly in the matter as it
would be against your interest to do so
and we did not feel very good because
of such treatment. I wish you to always
write to us and both of you come and see
us and some day not far distant I will
make you a visit. if you should come to
see us you will see a beautiful country
farms of from one hundred to one fifty
are selling readily at from \$20,000. to
\$25,000. towns and cities are close a net-
work of railroads trolley lines farmers have
telephone service one to five miles to cart
produce over beautiful macadam roads
buyers come from New York City and Philadel-
to buy all the produce we being only fifty
miles from New York forty two from Philadel-
one of my boys had about 20 acres of potatoes
that produced over 340 bushels per acre and
average price being over \$100. per bushel from
field all farm produce is high in price I
sold my farm to Elmer my son containing one
hundred fifty five acres last spring he
cleared about one third of purchase price
last year. It was not where I lived when you

Father was here this farm is in a fine neighborhood and an excellent farm. I owned it seven years sold it for eight thousand more than it cost me all told in seven years my net gain was over eleven thousand dollars. beside Howard cost me \$1700. at Georgetown Law School at Washington D.C. and the youngest son one year at Princeton College next June he will have passed three years in college one more year and he will graduate from one of the best colleges in the country. I am now living at Hightstown in retirement for perhaps the rest of my time. Carrie teaches at Atlantic City one of the finest summer resorts in the country her income from her work is Howard says \$140 per month. Howard has a law office there his address being 101-102-103 Guarantee^{trust} building Atlantic City N.J. if you will write him at that address then you will know. all our people here are prosperous and if you were here you would have no reason to be

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ashamed of any of them come sometimes
and see for your self. I suppose you
will follow the farming business although
you sident day. that's as good here as any
with same money invested. we all wish
you both good luck good health and
prosperity as that should make you both
happy. what business is your father
following now last we heard from him he
was keeping store had moved to Killarney
I think now to Grand Chain.

I will close hoping to hear from you
all soon all send there love and best
wishes to you both.

From your Grand Parents
that loves you though they never
saw you.

James Ewart - Grandfather