

Give my love to all the boys and officers, and tell them I am doing well and belong to the church. I would like to be back and to see how they are coming on, because I love them all. May God bless them and help them through this world of trouble.

JOHN F. S.

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*November 24, 1859.*

DEAR INMATES—I am enjoying good health and hope you the same. I live in the country and see the beautiful meadows in the Spring mornings. I live in the middle of the town—I do not live on a farm; but have a garden to attend to, and two horses and two cows and twenty head of hogs;—is situated three miles from the Susquehanna river and tide-water canal—it contains three stores and one hotel. Fine times in Harford, boys—rabbits are numerous. Good bye, House of Refuge boys.

WM. N.

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*January 2, 1850.*

I take the pleasure of addressing you these few lines, to let you know that I am in good health. I am learning my business as well as can be expected for so short a time. Be so kind as to give my love to C. S——, and tell him I hope he is a good boy.

JCSEPH S.