December 8, 1859.

I take this pleasant moment to write to you, as you requested Capt. W—— to have me to do. I am well and hearty, and hope you and all the officers are the same. I heard that Mr. N—— has left. I am very sorry, as I expect to come down on Christmas, and I hoped to see all my old friends. Give my love to the managers. I have not got much to say, but to thank you and the managers for taking so lively an interest in me. I like my home; but I never expect to be a farmer—but a sailor or a soldier of the United States.

GEO. M. K.

November 18, 1859.

Please let the board of Managers know that I am well and like my home well, and am very busy in getting our fall work done, so that I can go to school this winter. Mr. H— has showed me how to catch rabbits in traps, and I have good sport at it. Please read my letter to the Board of Managers and the boys.

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WM. S. J.

November 27, 1859.

I take the time to write to you to let you know that I am well and hope you are the same. I am going to Sunday school and have a good teacher. I am treated very well, and have got a good home. I send my love to all the boys, and send my love also to the officers. I hope you will let me