

Caro, North Dakota.

My dear Curley,-

Indeed I won't forget my  
"American Boy". If for no other  
reason I should remember him  
I don't see how I could forget him  
when he writes me such nice letters.

I am so sorry you have so many  
troubles, Curley. I wish I could give  
you a big hug. Perhaps you have  
gotten all over the cold and sore  
throat - by this time, I hope so. You  
ought to have some of the hoar-hound  
Curley that I have just been eating,  
some hot was given to me before I  
left home by some body I think a  
great deal of. How are you getting  
on with your temper? You said you  
were troubled with a bad temper. I

know you are trying to get over it and I hope you won't give up trying, Curley, even if you think you fail in your attempts. I won't forget to ask some one I know who is nice enough to help you to give you the help you need. Maybe it would be any better if I was home, Curley, you know. I am pretty mighty cross myself some times and not always as patient with other people as I ought to be.

I am trying very hard never to feel cross at any body and it isn't as hard where I am now as it is when we are all so tired and busy at home. But in school I have to try because some times the boys and girls there just try to see how much I will stand and people never do that home at home

But, Curley, I haven't been a bit cross to them and I haven't even hardly got so and the principle reason is because I keep thinking how Silder would like to be treated and how some times he is tempted to do. I remember that you have feelings just as much as older people and I try not to hurt the feelings of my pupils. The other teachers all believe in punishing the children hard and some times whipping them or as they call it using the strap to them ~~and~~ but I am trying to make them see that I am their friend and not their task master. Do you think this would be a good way to manage the people in your room?

As to your postals, Silder. I will try to give them to some of my boys. I think there will probably be as many

as I can dispose of.

Curley, are you still selling needles?  
I don't think I have any needles so I  
would like to buy some of you. I will  
send you in this letter ten cents in stamps.  
I forgot whether they are five or ten cents  
a package.

I saw a little boy in school the  
other day that looked so cute. He had  
on a fur coat, long, and a fur cap,  
of the same kind of fur, that came down  
to meet the collar of his coat.

• Are you and Willie awfully respect-  
ful to Mamma since I went away? I  
hope so because I think just that makes  
more difference than almost any thing  
else in wearing her out or making her  
feel well. I hope you don't think this  
letter is "preachy"; you know I am always  
glad to have advice myself so I expect  
other people to be.

Good bye, dear Curley,  
Love loving Sister  
Gelen.

These give the dear lady my love!  
I want to write her as soon as I can  
with  
love  
Gelen