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English Translation

[English words written in Latin script in the original are indicated in *italics* in the translation]

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Juneau, Wis.

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Dear son!

I received your card today, and so I will write back right away tonight, although I am very tired, because I did the laundry. I couldn't hang out the laundry because it rained all day. It has been raining since Friday. Friday evening, lightning struck the big poplar tree, traveled through the telephone wires, blew out the door of the telephone, and ripped out all wires. It was an awful noise. The door landed near the dining room table. There was stuff strewn all over the room. There were even small holes

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in the lace curtains, and everything was thick with smoke. We thought there was a fire, but the dear Lord held his protecting hand over us. Edna and Leo were here, and the children were very excited. LaMar is here too; it has been two weeks as of yesterday. He wants to spend his entire vacation here. Yesterday after church, we went straight to Hib's. He also got hurt. On the field, a wagon loaded with hay tipped over, and Hib fell on his head and hurt his neck badly. He also hurt his right arm and shoulder. The doctor says he pulled some tendons. The laborer did not get hurt. Hib brought in a lot of hay, but now with the rain there is no dry weather. We haven't even started yet. Norman is almost done with hacking down thistles in the grain field. LaMar hacked [weeds in] the corn field. It has been a week on Friday that Bud [horse] had surgery. The following Tuesday, he was so sick that we had to call the vet. Now he is better. The vet gave him shots against lockjaw. It was the vet from Watertown.

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How many graduated in Providence? Was it the same as in Madison? Did you hear from Lehman's? Today they buried the wife of the pastor in Oak Grove. She was only 35 years old. She had to endure a lot. She had a growth in her brain. We haven't heard anything new from Aunt Louise. Aunt Hulda and Nora have not been here yet. They were going to stay for a few days.

Now I must go.

With love, mother.