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Dear William & Philinda:

Just a few lines this morning for I do not have much time but wishes to send you the reinstatement of your New York policy. I do not know how I missed the first notice but evidently it got away, otherwise I would have paid it. I have sent them a check for \$40.10 being the premium and interest and wrote to tell them that I would send the blank to you to fill in. I told them you were in good health, but it would take some little time to get the blank over and back. Send it directly to them when you return it.

We certainly enjoyed the long letter that Philinda wrote about your trip to Jos, it was really a dandy and gives such a good description of the country. The fine pictures arrived day before yesterday and all that have seen them have enjoyed them very much. I shall preserve them for you or would you have us return them to Lagos.

I think that I have finally sold the farm in Coshocton county to Tom Powell and I shall be glad to have it out of the way and get John Taylor paid off. It has been quite a burden, especially since help is so difficult to obtain and tires and gas or quite bad. We get only three gallons for each coupon now. I have a B card which helps out going to the Hanover place and also with the business, but we do not have a gallon for pleasure driving and it is just as well as we have no time for it.

We had quite a large Grand American considering the times and the fact that the shooters had to furnish their own ammunition, it lasted only three days and we had 610 on Wednesday 716 on Thursday and 828 on Friday. This will be the last until the war is over.

Grapes and fruit are bringing a high price and if I could have had the grapes taken care of, sprayed and pruned properly, I really could have made a little money. The apples are fair and will bring a good price.

Sarah started back to school on the past Tuesday and has a somewhat larger enrollment than last year and Melody is going to Denison, their term started in last Friday, she has to go on Saturday as well as the balance of the week. She likes it very much is doing quite well.

Had a letter from Janie last week and she says that she is getting along very well. She had to have an operation for varicose veins and is having some fleabitis now, the clots are working their way out. I do hope and pray that everything will go well with her, so they so pleased with the prospect so let us all hope that all will be well.

We are still having a terrible time getting anything to sell and in August our sales dropped 36% before a year ago. Do hope that it will improve now since the surrender of Italy which is fine for the Allies. With love and best wishes to you both, I am,
in haste.

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Yours,
Daddy