Sandusky, O. Jan 23rd 1880

Sunday afternoon

Dear friend Johnnie

Your kind and welcome letter was duly rec'd was glad to see your name on the programme which you sent me for I know you acted your part well (that is) if you done as well as we did to the tinkers fire pot I supose you have not get forgotten the night you & I went to Campmeeting when the poor Painters lost their cider it some times almost makes me hold my sides to think of the sport which we have had. I did think some of going to Sandusky today sleighing being so good and I would then have called at your house and gathered up all the news about you and Joe, but then I supose you are good boys now dont meddle with the tinkers fire pot any more (how is it Jonnie) I dont any more unless I should get a chance.

well) enough of this nonsense Johnnie you never told
me wether there was any Girls attending your Institute or not
Please write and tell me all about it and your daily doings
Oh you asked me where Caroline Bohn was she is now at home again but
just came home last week from Huron Co where she has been ever since
she left home. but I understand she intends to return back there again
in a week or two I wisk you could call and see her now. she looks some
differt than she did last summer

Charley is getting along very well but his family still

remains as it did a year ago - no increase

Willie said the other day that Ninety more days would count him a married man but that is an old story by him so I don't think it will be nesessary to vouch for the truth

Sleigh Partys is all the go now we were to Norwalk one night last week there was Fourty two of us went up in three loads long as I have wrote all the news I will close by sending my regards to the boys and hoping to receive an early answer

From your devoted friend

Geo. P.H.

write soon excuse poor writing and haste Sandusky, Ohio March 19th (1880)

Dear brother

We and Zipfels send you and Joe a box this morning. it came so unexspected that we could not fix much so ma went down to Owins and bought 1 bottle of Pickels, 1# of NicNacs, ½# lady Fingers, 1# of Candy and a # of Figs, and that cake is one that I baked yesterday but if I would have known about sending the box we would have prepared for it but I guess you can make away with it you can divide with Joe. Now Johney please write as soon as you get the box and let us know about it I will close hoping to hear from you soon.

Yours Truly your sister Ida

I guess I told you we got your papers of last month

Best regards to all your teachers.

Write soon

Dear brother and friend Joe

We were all pleased to hear from you and the picture pleased us the most we did not know what to make of it when your mother brought up the letter and the picture and we did not get any but the next we got Johney's letter. pa took it along when he went to work to show it to Mr. Cable. You forgot your garters and Joe forgot his ring.

Charley and George Daniels are coming down as soon as the boat lays up and than we will send you booth I think this all I know of now. pa is standing and waiting for the

letter I must close.

From your sister

Ida

Write soon.

If there is any thing else you want let us know and you shall have it. they are slating about the church now.

write soon.

Sandusky, Ohio Nov 17/1880

Dear Johney

We received your letter and were very much pleased with it and the picture is very good too. we all think you look so poor and boney, but still it is very good, we are waiting with patience now for the photoes.

You will be very much surprised to hear that Grandpa did not bring the colt, Mr. Zulska came down the next day after you left and than he said he and Grandpa intended to come that day and bring the colt, but it rainded so awfull the day before that the roads were so bad that they couldend come now. Grandpa and Charley wanto bring the colt down after Grandma and Henry come back. We are well but pa is fealing very bad but still he works. Lewis is wilder than ever he is trying to walk and every time we ask where is Johney he looks all over the room.

Be sure and write soon, if possible one will be up

after Chrismas

Respectifully
Your Father and mother

Sandusky, O. Nov 28th 1880

Dear Freind !

I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know that we are all well and hoping you are the same. Mr. Cable got married yesterday to a woman in Kenton O. and the Bishop come here yesterday and all the School children St. Joseph's Society and the band went out to the Depot to meet him and when they was coming in from the Depot when the bells commenced to ring It struck Mrs. Boodwell with Pallsey and she dies this morning at 4 o'clock Geo. and Me will be up there sometime after Christmas we cannot tell for sure when we will come the boat is still running yet and we are so busy yet that I cannot get away Capt. Fox was over on the Ice yesterday with a horse and sleigh. Mr. Kunzman fell yesterday and broke his arm. Rossa Ott and her sister came down Saturday to see the church blessed and they send their best regards to you.

excuse me for not writing sooner for I had no time to write. I must close my letter for this time for I must go to bed.

The boys and girls all send the best regards to Joe and you.

From your true Freind

Chas. Zipfel

Write Soon

St. Marys Inst Dayton, Ohio Dec. 15th, 1880

Dearest Lizzie,

Having a few spare moments I thought I would devote them in writing to you. Many accidents have happened since we have gone. It is too bad that Miss Boodwill died she was a kind woman. I used to bring her shavings and kindling wood and she used to give me all the apples I wanted When Joe and I were over to see Father Moose, he bid us good bye and I thought he looked so healthy and strong.

How is Willie's father getting along?

I I am glad to hear that your little brother can walk.

You want to know how we enjoyed our Thanksgiving's day.

We had a fine dinner, cake, candy, apples and roasted chicken and a good many other things. the band played in the dining room whilst we were eating.

I've looked all over the box we got the same day, and could find no letter in the tin box under the cake, and last Saturday Joe found his letter in the bottom of the box.

Did you get the dutch girl you were talking about, and is the girl not at our house that was there when we left? I was surprised to hear that Mr. Cable got married again. I did not know anything of it but the boys said he was going to get married again, but they did not know when. The Cable boys think that their father and mother will come down here at Christmas. I would like to come home on Christmas but Father Meyer said we have no vacation, so you can come and see me and bring all the rest along.

I suppose you had a big time the church was dedicated. Joe got a letter from his cousin, Cora Heinz. I suppose you know all about it. When is Lizzie Martin coming back again. You can send her my best love. I thought I would send you one of my pictures as I promised to do. My best regards to Rosa Ott and all the rest of my friends, and of course to Taylor, Pat, Toney, and Savanack. Having no more news I must close by sending my best love to my parents and the rest in the family and all of your folks. Joe sends his best love to all My love to also and xxxx

Your devoted Friend

Good bye and write soon, and dont forget to come.

Oh how I would like to be at home today and see you all.

Sandusky, Ohio Dec. 24, 1880

Dear Son,

We received your letter and were very glad to hear from you. It is just fun to get a letter from one of you too, When we get one we quick go or send down to Zipfel's and when the get one they do the same. We got your letter Sunday morning, and Sunday afternoon the (y) Crisend the bells in the church and Mr. and Mrs. Zipfel stood up for one before they went over the (y) stoped in and after it was over with but how the (y) laughed about the applebutter, peanuts, and cirkes that we agreed to send a little more Zipfel says a rasted duck was always Joes favorite, so we will send them two roasts and sausages.

Louis is to cute for any use when we ask where you are he looks all over the room. he walks more every day. the picture is very good, Lizzie Zipfel was up Sunday night and she thought it was splendid she kissed it before pa and all of us.

I guess that will be in Joes letter about the church next Sunday They are going to dedicate it and Saturday afternoon they are going to meet the bishop with a hack with four white horses and the band and all the school children the girls all must be dressed in white and two hundred men. 50 ct. admidance.

I think this is all for this time. it is getting late and haft to go off soon

(F)rom your dear parents mother and father

write soon

George Taubert sends his regards to both and any of the rest we did not get to see, and Minnie said the the last time already (my love to Johney) and all the rest.