

William A. Corbett to Joseph P. Wilson
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Superior, Wisconsin

J.P. Wilson

Dear Sir it has been almost six weeks since I wrote to you and have not received an answer yet and I thought that I would write another for fear that you did not get that we have built a shanty in my claim and are a building one on Mikes. We have been stopping on [Emmet's?] claim but it is to far to travel out and in and we must stay in town, until we can build one and then we shall stay out there until you come. [?] are and the rise and if you do not yet have room we can not get any thing to eat at this time.

I have not money enough to pay the postage on this letter but as good luck would have it Emmet has got a stamp left and it is on this letter so you see we are flat broke so you see that we are in a poor [fort?]. You see that you did not give any tellers to anybody so that [store?] keepers don't know who we are and if you do not come back we shall have to come to you for these is no worke to do here and if there was we might work and get some to keep us until you came through and we would like to know what we shall do about the claim for we want to prove up and leave this god dam place.

Give my best respects to all of the folks and tell them that I will see [through?] again in the summer if nothing happens.

Yours truly,
W. A. Corbett