

William A. Corbett fragment  
Undated  
St. Louis

You may look for me about the first of May if I come home at all but the chances are that I shall go to Kansas in the spring but if I do not go I will write but there is great excitement about pikes peake in the spring and if I get a good chance I shall go too. You can tell J. P. that [Hartsherm?] is to have my lot until the first of April and if he keeps it any longer make him pay for it and have it drawn up in writing. For the old fool had rather lie than to tell the truth and if he does not give a good price rent, not to let him have it at all and tell J.P. that if I come home in the spring I shall go and take me a claim up the river same place and try to do something for my self if this winter cant make any more than will clothe me and keep me in whisky and [topaece?] no more at present.

You must excuse me for writing and bad spelling give my best respects to all of the children and J.P. and a brother [love?] to you

P.S. Direct your letter the same as before to W.A. C at St. Louis