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Write all the news soon. I will write to any one who will write to me, and do so with pleasure. I don't have much time to write so they must write first.

Yours truly, W.J. Templeton

P.S. I thought I would send a five cent shin plaster. I want you to send that hammer to Josephine. You may pay Ed Mack \$5.75 when he comes home that will square Folsom and I if you carry that little can to Henniker Cogswell will mend it you find in my box a letter backed to John Wood send it by some one to him.

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