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My dear Mother

As Mr Pope leaves to day for Cleveland

I took the opportunity of sending a letter by him.

Since I last wrote I have been buried by baptism into the death  
of Christ. Since that time I have felt as I never did before.I have felt as though this world was nothing; it seems as  
though we should soon be done with this and exchange  
it for a better world. It seems now as though I could not  
sin willingly as though it was sweet and pleasant  
to be doing right. I do hope and trust we shall all  
meet above where there will be no more sin and sorrow  
and where death can never enter. How is dearsister Ellen getting along? is she getting ready to meet  
the Savior. I do trust that she will not forget where  
she is and that she will remember her Savior.Mr Pickands has received a letter from Mr Pomroy  
which ~~says~~ says that Father has already got home  
or was expected on last Friday or Saturday and  
Elder Oron Gahosha with him. Mr Pickands is desirous  
if it is so that that I should come right down here and  
stay some days.

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Being baptized I found a most unspeakable blessing far beyond what I expected. I found that being buried in the likeness of Christ death by baptism and in faith of his resurrection was a very different thing from what I expected I found it a most pleasant ordinance and no cross at all. It seems so reasonable that we should in some way testify our faith in Christ and this is the way which he has appointed. I trust that I have put away my sins and shall hereafter live in newness of life. There is another thing that looks very pleasant to me and that is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ. Mr. Hart said that he was intending to leave on Wednesday morning for Buffalo. He heard here that that boat did not get into that port until Saturday, on account of its being so stormy. You advised me to get shoes instead of boots but Mr. Hart said that if I staid here this summer that shoes would be very uncomfortable on account of its being so sandy, and the shoes would get full of the sand in walking. I found a good tight pair of boots for 4 dollars and I thought they would wear the longest and so I got them. The weather here is getting very warm and the trees are all in bloom.

My thick clothes are getting rather uncomfortable and I would like to come home a few days if I am to stay here this summer and get some thinner clothes, espec and I need my thin coat more than any thing else and my gay pants are getting to be very warm.

Mr Callow is going to Cleveland next week and is going to come back to Akron again. I should like to hear from you whether I may come with him and so come back when he comes. It is so pleasant here that I can hardly say I am homesick and should like to stay here this summer.

Please give my love to Ellen and Libby and Lury as they are all very particular friends of mine and also <sup>to</sup> Father if he has returned. Tell him he must come right down here as soon as he comes, as we cannot do without him any longer. I would like very much to have you come with Father when he comes as we should all be very glad to see you. The roads are now good and you would like the place very much. When you come be sure to bring Ellen as I want to see her very much.

Mr Hart has got a very pretty place here altho' is nearly a mile from the village.

I am glad to hear there are so many coming out in Cleveland and being baptized. I hope that some others who have not will conclude to take up the cross and follow Christ. Please answer this immediately and remember to come right straight off Tell Ellen she must write me a letter and tell me how she is getting along. Remember me to all inquiring friends and oblige

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P.S. Excuse all mistakes  
and the bad writing as  
I am in a great hurry - C. L. F.

Your affectionate son

Charles L. Fitch  
son  
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Rev. Cha. Fitch

Cleveland  
Ohio

J. S. A. Pope

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