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and cattle getting thin some are already poor we drive
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will have to drive our cattle lower down on Spring creek I
hope we will never witness another drought like this, I think
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see them all write at once & tell me all you can your father
J. E. Wallingford