EDITED TRANSCRIPTION – Original file: "Letter June 21st 1863.tif" Edited to enhance readability. Added notes are *{italicized-bracketed}*.

(Letter is addressed to "Daughter", but as he refers to "you and Franky" it was probably written to his daughter-in-law Susan M. (Reading) Keeler, wife of his son Dexter Dwight Keeler. Franky was their daughter, Frances D. Keeler, born November 23, 1861, about 19 months old as of the writing of the letter.}

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East Saginaw {M/}
June 21, 1863

Dear Daughter {-in-law},

I received your *{letter}* on Saturday night. I am *{glad}* that you are well and Franky, too. We are all well here at home and so is your folks. Miss Lapham went out there yesterday. Sis and all after strawberries; they done very well. I have not had any letters yet from the boys. I suppose they can't get time to write as often as they have. The army has been on the move on the Potomac where Frank is. We have not heard from Dexter since you left here. It is lonesome here without the baby. You say you will come back on the 8 of July. You must make your visit out before you come home if there is any

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From your Father,

L. S. Keeler

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