

Transcripts of letters written by Daniel Spangler

Dear and beloved Father Henry Sowers and Mother Sowers

I have taken the opportunity of righting to you all again to inform you of our well fare. We are all well at this time thanks be to God for his many blessings and hoping that these few lines may find you all well. I have thought that you had forgotten us all together I did think that you would send a letter with Mr. Yung and I have been looking ever since for one but none yet and we would be glad that you would right to us worse more again and we will be better satisfied. Write as quick as this comes to hand and let us know what for a winter you had and a spring so far. We have had the hardest that ever was known by the old settlers and a late spring but I think that we will have a great waste if nothing be fall it. I must let you know that I have three hundred and forty acres of land as good as any in the barrens and I think that I will be getting another hundred if nobody take it from me but three is more of them knows much about it and there is a good little cabin on it and Elizabeth Spangler has got another daughter and its name is Dicy Ann (?) and was born on the 12 of October and Saray Finley has got a daughter and its name is Milley born on the twenty first day of February and Mary is married to John Epperly. There is about seven months between the two and I think if nothing turns up more than I know of at this time Samuel Lester is going in there next August and I want to go with him and see you all and I want Henry Rootrougf to be ready to move and come along with me for that is no place for you to stay.

Dear Mother, Brothers and Sisters, We do remember our best love and compliments to you all and all inquiring friends for it seems that you have forgotten us or didn't think it worth while to write. I wish to hear from you all onst more. I did expect that you would send us a letter by Mr. Wm. Young when he was thare for he could not give me any satisfaction about you all. Brother George Spangler are all well and remember their best love and compliments to old Jacob Epperley and his family and all inquiring friends, and we want to be glad to hear from all and brother Jacob Spangler and his wife do send their best love and compliments to you all.

A few lines to brother George Ridinger I think it is time that you would move. You can sell your land but I think you can't higher anybody to take your land and let you move away from it for it is so poor I don't want you to _(?)_ without you intend to move then I should be glad that you would right and let others Know when you intend to come you and Henry promist me to right regular to me but I think that you have forgotten me intyerly. I have been looking for letters from you that was the reason that I did not wright to you all so soon. I want to you to tell Moses Acers that I want the half gallon of whiskey that I won of him and we wil drink it at George Ridinger and we will have a grate frolin a drinking it.

A few lines to George Epperley and his family

We do remember love and compliments to you all and we do wish to hear from you. It seems hat you can't take the time to right to us any more. I do think your ink is frossen yet but I want you to thaw it and right as quick as you can and inform us of your health. I don't want anyone of you to think hard of me for not right to you all. I can't right to eny

satisfaction until I get a letter from you. The twenty second of May we had a very hard storm and the wind blowed very hard and broke down a heap of timber and tore sum up by the roots.

Daniel Spangler May the 23 1832

I have planted about ten acers and a half of corn and sum of it is half a leg high at this time.

Mr. Henry Sowers
Floid Cty Virginia
Stonyfork PS

State of Tennessee August the 14th 1842
Coffee County

Long to be remembered and never to be forgotten Brothers and Sisters and Cannesions
Though the tender mercies of God I am permitted to write you a few lines to Inform you
that mysely and family and Cannesions are all enjoying a Reasonable portion of health at
this time for which I have to return my thanks to God who is the giver of all good things
for his tender mercy confured upon us from the yearlist down of out lives down to the
present time. Hoping that these may reach and find you all well. My dear and loving
friends I have to inform you that we have sum Gloskans things in this country. It seems
that there is a general Reformation taking place in this country _(?)_ and is more Big
meetings hire now than Ever I Known in my life and numbers of people have professed
religion and we have had a probacted meeting near clost by us it commenced on
Saturday the 30 day of July and continued 11 days and 10 nights and there was something
between 30 and 40 persons Professed Religion amongst them my Daughter Milley and
my sun Samuels wife professed religion at this meeting, and I have to inform you that I
have professed a high hope sum thing about 6 weeks ago all my family are all professors
of religion only my yungest daughter, and the work is going on purty ginerally
throughout as fare as I can hear fron Every quarter and we hear from your county and we
have intelligents that there was a meeting commenced and continued 40 in your county
and I want you to write to me and let ne Know whether it was anywhere near you or not
and write to me how you all are a coming and in the way of Religion at that 40 day
meeting. The news came to our country in a letter. Dear brother Samuel Spangler you
wrote me a song Ballod and Brother Jacob when he moved off he took it with him and I
want you to write me another one and send it to me if you have forgotten what sung it
was I will inform you that it was mother sung. I will now come to something about the
situation of our country. The health of our country is very good as yet I have heard of
sum folks deaths this season but I Believe health is good at this time, money is not to be
had for any produce we can make here, neither can people get money to pay their debts,
our crops is indifferent this year. Wheat crops have failed for three years our corn crops
are very indifferent this seansons and there set in very dry and cut our corn crop short. I
will inform you that George Spangler and his family are all well and wish to be
remembered there. Respects to you all let old Mr. Epperly know how they are they have
none made any professions of religion lately.

(Half of the last sheet is missing - Here is what remains)

I have nothing more
present only wish
Death
PS I want you
as soon as you receive this
about your crops and
have this year From
Daniel and Elizabeth
to Samuel and Rotheri
John & Susannah Spangler
Spangler and wife
Spangler and Sister
Ana to Henry
John and Rotherone
Sowers, George &
George and Katherine
and Nancy Epley said
best wishes to be remembered
friends of Daniel Spangler
Mr. Samuel Spangler
as soon as this comes to hand
To Fountain Spring Post office
I will inform you
is broken up at
Direct your letters to
county, Dear Brother
to me commencing the
us, is there write to me
what you have done

To Mr. Samuel Spangler
State of Virginia Floyd
County Jacksonville
Postoffice

Woodbury Tenn
30 August