

Letter

Handwritten text in cursive script, appearing to be a list or ledger with multiple columns of entries.

John
D. K.

1851

Aug 18

Dear Father,

We have finished our second week here, and I think George is decidedly the better for it. The baby too is getting over his little troubles. They are all very happy and enjoying themselves very much. We have had scarcely any rain; only a little fog. I hope to go to Springfield to-morrow and to return on Saturday. I may then either send back all the people and go on to St. John of the Injun, or leave them here till my return. I shall hope however to have a letter from you before that time, which may help to decide. I am doing a little geology & collecting here ~~that will be of service to me~~, and when in Boston, I saw many things that will be of service, as I hope to do also at Springfield. If you were thus before mailing the letter with the draft for my salary, please address it to Mrs. Dawson, as I may be absent, and if registered she may have to sign a receipt; but if already mailed it will likely be here before I go. Hoping that all goes well with you & your family & with best wishes from us all
Your yours affectionately & with
M. Dawson