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Lepe Leake
April 25th 1847

My Dear Father

I had written to you before
our arrival at Portland. but had
forgot to put the letter in the post
office. We arrived safe without horses
at the station and I found a
week - we have plenty of grass and
are now more thriving - we are
just receiving the 2000 weavers sold
at 9p. I paid Reed about £1200
I have not had the account book
yet - I paid him £527-19-2
upon supposing differently that of the
wool. My going away he pressed
it very hard - I do think he ought
to have paid it unless he had
furnished account & takes the interest
would have amounted to -
I am getting quite tired of sheep
as they would answer our country.

Much better - we shall have to
commence building as our old building
are getting leaky -

The Poor Rates sympathers are going to
get 14 years lease of their own property
at the rate of £10 for every 4000
slap - and assessments of 1 p head
on slap - it will increase the
value of their property -
slap and lands have been sold adjoining
us at 10/- I see by Gov. sales that
wools are a good price - what we
have must attend to it ^{properly} - it
depreciates the wool 4 to 5/-

We have some fine fat cattle
for sale. I have only 40 of them.
it is a good deal better than
at the present time on the station -

I have a good man to take the
cattle as the I would not hesitate
if I saw the cattle is terms easy
and they would not work
over hard -

I have not got that use of my
left arm that I had before the
Injury was taken off my back -
and I suffer a good deal of pain
about the shoulder -

If I went east I can get it in
Portland at 10¢ each - I do not
think I shall - I would rather be
shut than borrow -

We are at work here - with
kind love to all at Home

Remain yours
affectionately
Yours

P. P. Peck

We calculate we shall clip 50,000
of wool we shall have 10,000 lambs
we shall begin to ^{winter} left to avoid
harm - one that -

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