7. John S. Roeseler to Rev. John Fritsche, June 26, 1898

[Translation]

Prairie du Sac, Wis. June 26, 1898

Dear Father in law! We received your last valuable letter from the 20th of this month 5 and we were happy to hear that you are all health and that you have had much to do, that we believe gladly. I will receive on July 31st 10 \$450 one of my notes is then due and I have already borrowed \$200 and on the [line illegible due to crease] still receive the $$100^{00}$ from Dürr which you want to buy 15 from me then I will have enough money to pay off the mortgage. Enclosed, I am sending both of the notes which I have signed. 20 I paid \$1400 for the 28 lots. My Madison lot was added on for $$425^{\underline{00}}$ and then I paid \$775 outright. I want eventually to 25 sell some of the lots. Now we thank you many times for the 40^{00} which you sent to us. Now I can understand why you 30 didn't hold back the interest at that time so I feel relieved.

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I felt very uneasy about it that according to my calculations I 35 was still in debt to you and I was afraid that you would have thought that we let this go for so long

	without having
40	set it right
	but now I feel relieved
	because you have lifted a
	weight from me.
	Kellers are healthy and
45	Keller with Pohlmann and
	Company are building the preacher's
	house. Now the masons are
	busy plastering.
	Papa is healthy again
50	and sends greetings to you. Oskar
	and Edna are growing heartily and
	are funny and content.
	We made 7 good [] of
	hay on our lots
55	and we have also canned 30 quarts
	of strawberries which we have on
	our land and 8 quarts of
	rhubarb and 2 quarts of gooseberries
	If you don't have any strawberries
60	then Sarah wants to give you some of
	hers. If you have a lot of fresh ones
	then Sarah would like some of them
	and you could cand tham raw or

and you could send them raw orcanned, however it iseasiest for you

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If you have already canned them, could you buy some 2 quart and some 1 Quart cans for us and Sarah will pay you for

70 the cans and sugar etc. later.

Now I must close otherwise it will get to late because, God willing, I want to

75 go to Milwaukee tomorrow and stay there for multiple days I think Thursday I'll come back to Sauk. Hearty greetings to you all
80 from us. We thank you again for all of the good

	that you do for us from time
	to time and we wish
	you health and God's
85	blessing and protection. We hope
	that it will be possible for
	you all to visit us this summer
	On the 4th of July, we have
90	here in the park a great
	celebration and we await
	your visit for this fest.
	yours John S. Roeseler
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