

13. G. Fritsche to Mr. John L. Fritsche, March 23, 1899

[Translation:]

Milwaukee 23/3-99

Dear brother John!

I sent you the mortgage  
I expect, that you will  
5 have received it.

But I would like certainty  
about it, so let  
me know immediately  
on the enclosed postcard.

10 We are healthy so far.  
At the beginning of spring,  
we also had snow  
and whoever can  
is still driving sleights.

15 Last Sunday I was by  
our Emanuel in Green=  
field there is the Evange=  
lical community in Wis.

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20 The most of what  
is now still there from the evang.

[...] is an old  
church, approximately like the [...] in the  
Lomira [...] a  
church cemetery, where more dead

25 lay than the church  
has living. There are  
preachers next to members:

the Eßlingers, Schäfers, Herle,  
Schwentes, Sister Schwantes

30 if I'm not mistaken, is buried in  
Iowa. Oh yea, our ev.  
community can [...] in  
some places only in the past.

Our nephew, Emanuel  
35 will also not stay here in Greenfield  
any longer, since  
his time has expired.

greetings to you and  
your family in brotherly love

40 Gustav