

Pine Creek  
Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1909

Grace and Peace dear relatives,

I have to write once again, because I came home from two days in freeling, and one day spent in Adelaide, and came home on Friday.

It rained quite a lot while I was away, about one inch, everything was under water. Now it is very nice, the fodder and wheat grow very well. I suppose you read in the papers that Gothold bought a big farm in N. S. W. about 1200 acres. It is about 25 miles north of Albury. He sold his farm yesterday, by auction, Richards of Gladstone bought the farm for Ten pounds Ten shillings per acre. Richards probably will take possession, and his home place/farm he will lease to Zänkers.

Zänkers and Emma only come back next Saturday from their holidays.

Gothold will have a big sale in the first week of October. He will sell everything, horses and cows, and the big house and furniture. He didn't want to take anything with him, and I didn't know that he went to N. S. W. until I came back from you. He was just over there to look at the land, and he paid 5 pounds per acre for it.

Gustave [Saegenschnitter] (re-)married last Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> so it wasn't a big wedding, only eleven people there. They didn't have a real reception. Next Monday they will both go travelling. They might come to see you. I don't know if he will go and see his brothers, or not.

Next Friday, that is tomorrow the 24<sup>th</sup> it will be our school examination day. Next Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> will be the Laura Show.

We are just finished with shearing sheep. We shored 173 sheep. I got 4 bales of wool and a little bag full. The sheep are very fat now, and so are the cattle. Only the horses are fairly poor.

I will close now with heartiest greetings from us all and from Richard too who was here just now. We hope that these few lines will reach you in good health. Mathilde sends greetings.

Please write again, soon. Mathilde will write to you next time.

Alfred.

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