

Morrison Ill Napa 19 1840

Cousin Lewis you must
pardon me for not answering your kind &
ever acceptable Letter sooner I have been
so busy that I have not had time

I am as well as usual and
^{hope} these few lines will find you all enjoying
good health, uncle Joseph & Aunt
Hannah are well, the rest of the friends are
well with the exception of Sanford Williams
wife she is very sick with the putrid sore
throat, there has been but very little sickness
here this summer and but one or two deaths

I am at work for many by the name of Sholes
Schrother in lab of Milard Barber, I
get \$15,00 per month wages are very high
and help very scarce, day laborers demand
from \$7½ to \$1,00 per day and but a few can be