

I owe some here for my board also but I suppose when
I feel well enough to work I can raise enough to settle it.
I will leave it to you - if you think that by coming
home I can get anything to do I will come - if not I had
better seek some other place - Mas I hate to do it but
am compelled to ask something of you to get me some clothes
for I am without a shirt in the world my pants are
worn to the very thread and my coat the only one which
I have is torn up the back - and upon the whole I am
as dirty a looking an object as you ever seen -
Dr Gay has been kind to me since my illness for I have
had no place to stay without his assistance - - - I am
tired now everything without seems cheerful and gay
~~it is a~~ Spring day & presents a melancholy contrast
with my feelings and myself - hoping to hear from you
as soon as you receive this

I remain your affectionate son

Henry

Give my love to Sis and Anne and Jessie all the
balance &c.

Ma address your letter to:

B. C. H. Cooker
for particular reasons