

## LETTERS TO AARON JONES FLETCHER

**Narrator:** People in Acton wrote to soldiers with news of home. These are excerpts from letters to Aaron Jones Fletcher by his cousin Fannie.

**Fannie Fletcher:**

Cousin Jones,

We have had quite a time here in "old Acton." We have has our old "Town house" supplied with a new one and week before last we dedicated. It was crowded to the utmost from gallery to the pulpit. I was there & had a fine time. We have got a very pretty town house indeed. They have a nice place for the armory and I wish the war was over and the armory of Acton (soldiers) was safely deposited in the town house. Perhaps you will agree with me on that point.

George is at work in a shoe shop in Marlboro this winter. He likes his work very well but he don't like the place as well as he does Acton. I don't think he likes the girls as well.

Sophia is going to be married soon & so is Emma Robbins.

Lewis's wife has got a little son so I am Aunt Fannie. Don't that sound kinda natural?

I have not seen Silas since he came home. I suppose he has as much as he can attend to now that he has got a wife. Henry Brown spend all his time with his lady at Assabet. You know his lady is Carrie Brooks. Emery Lothrop was is our shop the other day. He is a little better but he don't seem fit to go to war. He coughs badly.

I heard that Cousin Billy was dead, how sad it is. He did not seem to want to go. I little thought I had seen him for the last time.

Your affectionate cousin, Fannie

**Narrator:** Fannie was one of ten children born to Daniel and Ruth Fletcher. She and Aaron Jones Fletcher were cousins on both her father's and mother's sides. Fannie was born in 1844, didn't marry, and died in 1912. She is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery.