G. T. SMITH,

Man'f and Dealer in

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Tobacco, Cigars and Jewelry.

WEST COURT STREET.

Paris, Illinois, Dec 27 1895

A F Longee

My Dear Sir.

Your communication of
some weeks ago was received.
I was pleased to hear from you
though I regret to hear that your
Lodge had no representation
in Paris. I shipped the Shoes
Saturday last. Though I could not
write sooner, I lasted the shoes
in June and finished them
Thursday last. I believe they will
suit you as I made them 1/2 in
longer in the leg. The vamp is
the best Dixon Calf and Kangaroo
calf Tops. Do not neglect oiling
~~them enough to keep them as soft~~
as they are now. Be careful not
to put them near a hot stove
and never let water get
get on them and you will
be astonished to see the service

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they will give. If they
ask off the least bit in fit
tell him about it as it is.
Just as easy to get them to
fit without a wrinkle as
with. They will last and feel
better and not break so soon.
Should anything happen
the Shoes advise me that
I may have time to explain
them. You will understand
better when You learn that
my best marksman died
a year ago. And before I
remarried I lost my wife
last June. The little boy and
I have got along much
better than I thought we
could. He has his play things
in one section of the store.
He eats all the candy for the
business and goes with me
nights and mornings a miles
to feed and milk. You will
surmise that I am on the go
~~from dawn til bedtime every~~
day. Give my best regards to
Your wife. Hoping this will
find You both well and happy
I am
Yours Truly
G. F. Smith

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