

PERMILIA E. ARTHUR TO MACK AND NAN

Nov 2ond /62

Mr. H Mc & N A Ewing

Dear Cousins

With the greatest of pleasure this pleasant Sabbath morning saet my self in order to reply to your kind letter that reached here on the eavening of the 28<sup>th</sup> I was glad to hear from you and also to hear of your good health but was sory to hear of aunt being unwell the friends and relatives are all well so far as I know health is generaly good there is afew cases of the typhoid fever but no deaths as I have learne[d] yet ther has bin Afew deaths in the circle of our relatives Susa burnsids died some three or four weeks ago her son harrison died A bout one week befor she did he died at the gallipolis hospital of the fever he belonged to the 2ond Va Cavilry Regt Capt D Doves Co. we was sorry to hear of the death of uncle henry Radabaugh we know how to simpathise with those that loses a near freand for we have had the trial of it you spoke of the draft it took place the 20<sup>th</sup> of September but our town was far out of the raech of it our town is A head of any other in the county

I am so lonsome since will enlisted Silas has bin in the service 7 months he has seen some hard times his Regt quartered at Camp Summerville Va last winter untill may they left then for Lewisburg Va where they fought there [their] first hard battle the 36<sup>th</sup> & 44<sup>th</sup> fought the battle there against twice ther number Co D lost two died of wounds & they left there in the month of august for the Shanandoa vally but did not reach there they went to washington city from there in to Md and was in the great battle of Md was kept in the feild 7 days three days and nights they were kept to support a battry and was under fire of both armes without sleepe or Any thing to eat and now they are on there way Back to there old place in western Va I went to Parkersburg to see Silas when they passed through but was one day to late I will now Close for the present Still Remans yours with respect

P. Elly Arthur

To H Mc & N A Ewing

Nancy A Ewing

Pleas write soon Mother sends her kind Respects I also to uncle & ant

I forgot to mention in the marked lines of my letter that I am not married yet nor no such prospects

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Note: This letter was addressed to

Mr Henry Mc Ewing

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It was posted at Clay, O. Nov. 7.

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Note: Permilia's brother Silas enlisted in Company D of the Ohio 36<sup>th</sup> Infantry as a Private on April 1, 1862 at the age of 22. He was mustered out on July 27, 1865. Her other brother,

William, appears to have enlisted on June 7, 1861, when he was 21 years old. He served in Company G of the Ohio 23<sup>rd</sup> Infantry, and also in the military band.