

PERMELIA E. AND WILIAM H. ARTHUR TO ENOCH AND SUSANNAH EWING

Ohio Jackson Ch

Nov 18th /61

Dear uncle &

Aunt it is with Much pleasur that iembrace this presint opportunity of addressing you with afew broken remarks I am well at present hoping when those few lines comes to hand May find you enjoying the same blessing of god the family are all well except mother she has ben ailing for some time but is better now health is generally good there is afew cases of the sore throat Well I suppose you don't think much of coming out here to see us I suppose you don't fancy coming this far south just now idont think theres much danger here at present I should be very glad to have you to pay us a visit I would like to see you all very much and spend some time in your company I here with bring my few lines to Close with the expectation of hearing from you soon

Yours truly Permelia E Arthur

To uncle & aunt Ewing

December 8th 1861

Dear uincele and

Aunt after a long time Absince I take my pen in hand this pleasant Sabath eavening after returning from Church to wright you afew Lines to let you know that We are All Well At preasent hoping that When these few lines Comes to hand they may find you enjoying the same Blessing of god the Rest of the friends are Well so far as I know While at Church to day I heard that Amus Jenkins Left this World About six oclock yesterday eavening He has gon to try the renolerable laws of the other World health is Tollerable good at the present time I would like if you plase to Write to me where Henry is & how he is agetting along & tell him if he pleases to drop me afew lines to let me know how he likes the soldiers life as we heard that he had gone I have writen him aletter & has received now [no] answer Sonothing more Wm H Arthur To Mr Enoch & Susan Ewing

Note: While these letters bear different dates, they were on the same sheet of paper and came in an envelope posted at Oak Hill, O., in December, the same being addressed to

Mr Enoch Ewing
hills Dale Co
Michigan
Cambria Mills Po

The envelope is adorned with a portrait in red of Col. Elsworth set in the midst of flags, muskets, bayonets, swords, cannon, and an eagle perched over the motto "UNION NOW AND FOREVER."

Suaan (Susanna) Ewing was a sister of Catherine Arthur, the mother of Permelia E. and Wm. H. Arthur.