

PERMILIA ARTHUR TO MACK AND NAN

Portland Ohio
Dec the 28/62

Dear Cousin with
the greatest of pleasure that I Embrace this present moment of time in addressing you with A few unworthy remarks we are all in moderate health at the present time trusting that those few lines may find you all in the Best of health I have nothing to write that will interest you the friends and relatives are all wel so far as I know may be it will interest you to know that some of the Soldeirs from the 36 O V I [Ohio Volunteer Infantry] has come home I first haerd that Will Radabaugh and Jhon Comore came hom A Friday they were detailed with other ones to guard some prisnors to Camp dennison they got furlows to come home I paid them A visit some two weeks Ago Silas was well and look quite hearty he is as Large aone as there is in Co D he goes at the head of the Co I staid up there A week the Camp is just out side of the town of Charlston Va I would feel much better sadisfied if will & Sile was together but sile is in Va while will in in Ky and expect to go to nashville Tenn We was sorry to hear of Aunt Susys bad health but I hope ere this comes to hand it will find You all in the Best health there has bin several deathes lattly Lewis harmens wife died last wednsday night I will stop writing Plaes write soon without faile give my kind respects to all inquiring friends

Nothing more

Yours with respect

E Arthur

To H Mc & N A Ewing

Note: This letter was posted at Clay, O., Dec. 29 Although signed "E Arthur" it is in the same hand as the letters signed "Permelia E", "P.E.", and "P. Elley."

"Aunt Susy" referred to was Susanna Radabaugh Ewing, her mother's sister.

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