

WILLIAM ARTHUR TO MACK

Jackson Co Ohio December the
26 1857

Dear Cousin I sit myself down this morning to right a few lines to you to let you know that I am well at preasant and hoping that when these few lines come to thand they may find you in good helth the rest of the friends are all well as far as I know with the exceptions of mr dalrymple boy has been very sick but is better

well imust tell you some sthing about the time out here they are pretty hard there are no monety to be had for work nor produce corn is thirty five cts per bushel wheat is from fifty five to sixty cts per bushel oats twenty five cts per bushel

well H iwish you was here to day and have a long chat with you about the girls there are some as prety little things as ever you saw in your life and if you don't believe it just come out here and see for yourself I thin if you was out here we could have some fun with them

this is the third letter ihave sent two before this and I have not received now answer for nether won of them and I thought I would right you another one ithink you will answe this won well imust bring my leter to aclose for it is very cold to day and my pen is pore and ink is pale so nomore at preasant wright asoon as this comes to hand and let me know how you are

William Arthur H Ewings

Jackson Co Ohio December the 29 1857

This is another opertunity I have taken to wright afew lines to you to let you know that since ihave wrote the other part of my letter that nelson harrison has died december the 27th and was berried december the twenty ninth

NO MORE AT PREASANT Wright as soon as This Comes to hand

(William H Arthur)
(to H Ewing }

(Ginger bread is mitie sweet)
(molasses they are sweeter but)
(you exceed them all as)
(far as they exceed saltpeter)