



New Salem January 3rd 1870

Dear Friend Eva

I received your welcome letter this morning and was very glad indeed to hear from you but I was sorry to hear that you was sick this leaves me well and having lots of fun going to school I wish that you was well so you could come to school and enjoy yourself with us. I received a letter from Alice Allen last week and she told me to tell you that she gave your history to your Pa. your said if you recaned I got a good many Christmas

Children was coming to school they have bin coming but they hasent come any this week. girl has bin sick for some time you asked me what we was going to do the last day of school nothing as I know of.

I know at present please excuse my bad writing for I am in a great hurry yours truly

Your friend
Mary

The second time he asked the questions from Margaret she got two

I believe you school one of B. got very well

gifts well I dident get
very many. Harry gave me
three presents. one was a big
Candy apple one a very nice
heart. The other his picture.
Bon Armstrong gave me two
very nice presents & one of them
was a large Candy apple &
it weighed a half lb.
well Emma Loring just now
told me to tell you to be
sure and come to their house
as soon as you get well.
well I guess I dident tell
you the other present that
Dad gave me. well I promised
him I wouldnt tell any
one he gave it to me
when you came over to town
I will tell you. well we
got through the arithmetic
first part weeks ago.

we commenced in common
fractions. we are now deciphering
on the last page of analysis
well Bon Armstrong has just
come to make us a visit.
I suppose you asked me who
was going to get the prize
in the spelling classes.
Emma Loring and Jane
Williams. each of them have
to and are near head again.
you asked me if I was
acquainted with Dr Carboys
wife I got acquainted with
her a Saturday night.
I was there until bed time.
Maggie Williams went home
with Dottie last night and
stayed all night. Sammie
was at our house a
Saturday night. you asked
me if Mr Darneys

I received
your letter of last-
week, was glad to hear
that you had arrived
at home out safe safe

Wm. Willmore

~~Wm. Willmore~~

Wm. Willmore
Oxford
Ohio.

I was also glad to know
that you enjoyed your
short little visit so much

W. L. S. Oxford O. Dec 26/1871

Dear Papa I expect you think
that I am not going to answer
your kind letter, but I am, have been
very sick so could not write sooner.
The girls was all provoked when
they found you had written to me
first, I can imagine what a nice
time you had when you visited
home. I never was so homesick
in my life as I was. I just was day
that you got. I am not in
any Sunday after you, and what do
you think? I would I wish I was
a rag, she asked Miss S. if she could
go and she told her no. So she
packed her trunk and left it here;
and went out just like she was
going to take exercise; and went

She bid me good bye, and said
she was going to send me a box
when she got home, & just come up
from her, Luke. I see some room with
you, I am sure Mattie likes her room
and all the things, nothing transpire of any
consequence. Got a letter from home to
day said my box was on the way,
and lots of nice things in it which
you was here to tell of. But I
suppose you have better at home.
I wish you was here,
I would give you a good spanking
and I envying to hear Mattie & Clara
in their room singing Nellie Gray,
the loo bell is singing, it has sounded
off beautiful, but Eva and sister
write soon and tell me all, & let
you say, we are here to say
Pattie & I did enjoy you

self. Eva you must think of me
sometimes when you are having a nice
time, I wish I was with you the next
day & be on a beautiful scene. I'll have
have so many letters to write, but
I'll write this one first & then
and tell you all the news I receive
in my mind

Lottie

W. G. S. Oxford Miss.

Oh, here come the express, get my box
is here, & K.

Monday morn I received mine for
and it was so beautiful with some

Lottie

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Messrs. W. & M. Wells
New Salem
Ind.

Charles Town
I send you a Kiss,

Xenia, Ohio,

Nov. 17th 1871

Dearest friend Eva,

I was so surprised on seeing that my letter was from you. But it was some the less welcome, it came while I was at home on a visit. I tell you I just had a splendid time; Ruggys ride, and Horse Back rides, receiving and making calls. It was all round pleasant. I do not think I shall attend school after Christmas at least that is not my intention unless I change my mind. I am very indignant about some things. I expect I shall go to see Kate C. this winter at least. I want to very bad but I am first coming to the conclusion that Kate is forgotten one as it has been so long since I heard from her. Tell her that I think she had better answer my letter if she don't want me to have the Blues every mail that comes in. I look for a letter from her but am doomed to be disappointed her seasons for promising me

so I do not know why which I wish perhaps I
could sight them, I suppose you are studying
hard but I can tell you I am not beating my
-self you know I never do, if I live only until
I beat myself from studying I think I shall
live always (about you) all I care for is my time
-ie and chewing. Coeas is so hard and I
cant endure Chemistry and Algebra but to tell
the truth I do not like to do anything any to well
but you know that without me telling you.

I commenced this last night
but have not finished it yet - what are you
studying this term and do you intend to
remain in school all year or do you intend to
do like me stay at home after Christmas one home
gay times here at school but I can have more
fun at home than I have here so I propose propose
staying there when I get there (Katie wanted me
to send for my trunk when I was home -
at visit but I thought I had better come
back to Xenia and stay until Christmas
as it would cost be here I suppose you

will go home Thanksgiving I intend to
remain in Xenia as we will have a party
on that night at the College I believe the
Western is to be dedicated on Thanksgiving is
-and it Prof Gallaway to come I think I want
be certain, he is our Professor of Languages
and Mathematical he used to go to Oxford
to school last year he graduated there
last June we called him Mr Charles
and teased Kate O about him
but I think he is real nice man.

Well Eva I must close
as I want this to go down this morning
to the Post Office and it is nearly break
fast time I
Bye Bye
Kate.

Xenia Ohio
P.O. Box 15
Give my love to all inquiring friends
and keep a good share of it yourself you
neednt remember me to Miss Keabody
as I wont be here I suppose you

New Salem Ind

November 12/1871

Dear Friend Eva

As I have just
been writing to Robert Henry I thought
I would write a few lines and would
of written sooner but my hand
has been so sore I couldnt write
my hand has been sore for over
six months and dont get any better
I told Alice to tell you as soon
as my hand got better I would
write to you and you mustnt
think I didnt ~~want~~ want to
write I just now saw your Spring
Wagon pass I expect they will at
your Uncle Grebows they come from
that way

Era I have been having
the gayest old time since
you went away I have been going
to school and I think we have got
a splendid teacher Jhy is a fully boy
dont you think so I know you
do your King David is glad out
I guess I havent seen him for a
long time he has gone off to school
somewhere but I dont know where
I expect you know you hear from
him every day or two dont you
I have an idea you do but I dont
know I am just guessing at it
Era how are you getting along
you must tell me when you
answer this Robert has left
us and I am so lonesome
I dont know hardly what
to do with out him I recived
a letter from him last week
and said he felt just as happy
as big Sunflower is that the

may you feel I hope so
Oh Era I am so cold I cant
hardly hold my pen but I
want to finish before I go
to the fire I have a bow in out
preiting us and her little boy
torments me so I cant stay in
where he is I must not forget
to tell you I was at a party
on last Friday night week at
Rush College this was a great
may this more than I expected
and we had a gay old time
Oh Era I cant write any more
I am getting so cold I will
write more in my next letter
that is if you answer this
Answer soon

As ere a true
Friend
Dollie

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Miss Era Wellman

W. H. Seminary
Covington
Ohio



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Clarksburgh Ind.

June 8. 1871

Friend Eva.

I received
yours — A few days ago
containing your photo. and it did
me so much good just to see your
image it is perfect. excuse
scribbling I will do better.
Eva I have seen a letter from
Rob. which I have not answered
I have had it over a week he is
coming to night. He came so we
had a jolly time. he went to
Morning Star. This Morning will
be back on Monday. hope you will come

over & stay a while & see him. I hope
to go to see you ^{about} in 3 weeks after
this. How is Gertrude? why don't she
write & answer my letters? well I
have a new percal dress and am
very busy, trying to make
it before sabbath it is communc
ion. excuse short notes as Bob
says for he calls my letters, notes
I close with, love, love, love to
Mrs. Jane M.

P.S. I have a letter from
Emma Hill to answer yet.
if she don't write you her
address is Glendale

G. F. Sobelge, Ohio.
& if she does write you it is
the same.

write very soon
C. L. Swan.

Cottage Grove Ind
July 15th 1871

Dear Eva

Yours of the 23rd
was received, some time ago
I will have to ask you to
excuse me for not answering
sooner. They have had a
late circling sound about you
and me the night of the
fire they first said I was
so scared I wanted to jump
out of the window and you
would not let me, then
the next time I heard it
it was me saving you I
told them it was not so
Miss Jessup said she heard

I lost my watch I don't know steps with Mr Finn her
where they start from and the dog had there photo
College Corner I guess as I have taking she was a gay one
already heard some 40 from sure I will close hoping
their low notes to me about to hear from you soon
Bob posing the question to and see your photo inclosed
her I think she was to fast Eva I will send mine
he kind of a fast boy I as soon as I can get them
guess. Miss Peabody said she excuse for writing it the
was very sorry indeed that per fault I give my love
I would not come back to Bert. My loves to you
to school (you know how and all Jennie Howell
sorry I am that I am not
going back) they are making
The seem a great deal
larger I have no photo's
now but will get some
as soon as I can go to town
you send me yours I will
send mine as soon as I
get them I never heard
one word from Vi since
she walked up to the



Mr. W. B.

Wm. H. Bellman
New Salem
Rush Co Ind

Miss Chara. B. Brown
Lawrence
W. No. 8. Ind.

Miss Salem Ind
Aug. 1. 1872.
Dear Chara

L. M. Lawrence
Ind.

W. P. S. June 18. 72
Oxford. Ohio.

Dear Eva

I suppose you think I am never going to send you that programme. But if you do, I think you will be disappointed for once in your life. The programme did not come until yesterday, and I have been so busy, that I really did not have time to send it. My examination is just over, and I am about as happy a creature as you ever saw. She did not call on me to recite one thing. They gave all the girls little pieces of paper with a question on them, and they were numbered 1, 2, 3 &c. and

she would call on 1, 2, 3 and so on just in the order they come, and to one that had the number would get up and recite. I had 22, but she called for 21, then 23 and of course I was left out. But I expect you would like to ^{know} the name of the teacher, and also the study, well the former was Miss Eastman, and the latter Botany which is the only examination I have. We have not any much company yet, only about twelve, but they have had X, Y & Z find up, so I guess they must be expecting some more. All the girls in the front on the second floor have moved out to give their room to company, also most all the girls on the whole 1st floor. Lotta Rogers is still flourishing, but I suppose you hear from her often

enough without me, speaking about her. Oh! My! I am so warm I can scarcely live, I am still rooming in front, and the sun beats in so hot, it would almost roast a person. The College Commencement is tomorrow and ours day after, and the University was last Thursday. Well I have just come from some of the exercises in the Sem Hall, and the man is to be here in a few minutes to check our trunks, so I must close. Much love, Write soon
Clara.
Direct your next to Lawrence

Indianapolis Sep. 19th 1872.

Dear Eva:

I presume you have been looking for a letter from me some time before this, but I have been so unsettled and my time so fully occupied that I have written but one letter since I came here, and that was a letter to the "home folks." I arrived here safely on Monday Sep. 2nd and fell in with friends that very day, as I chanced to meet Emma Lee's brother Harvey, who took charge of me and procured a boarding place for me. But I soon found the walk was too long for me and now I am within one square of the schoolhouse in the easiest, quietest place imaginable with a good kind Scotch couple for my host and hostess and one of the teachers for my room-mate. I am

Oct. 3. 1872

Dear Laura:

170 Davidson St.

teaching in the 9th district, and have a
delightful school of only thirty-three
pupils and in a grade both easy
and interesting. I enjoy my school
my boarding place my church and
my friend Mr. Hadley very much. I
never was so happy in my life.
You must not be surprised if you
receive a very short letter this time
as I really have not the time to
spare to write and am just taking
time because I think I ought to.
After the first month I shall not feel
so rushed and crowded. Give my
love to your pa & ma, brothers and
sisters and Aunt Etta and remember
me to your uncles Perry and Orris.
Write soon and I shall try to write
something like a letter the next time.

Yours with love

Lama C. Delongh,

No. 170 Davidson St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

June 14-73.

Dear Eva,

The catalogues just-came today, and I will send you one right away. the Programmes for commencement have not-been printed yet, I will send one when they are.

I have not-time to write anymore this morning. must-study my Latin
Write soon. much love

Clara

Miss Eva Wellman
New Salem
Ind.



each masked, one slight
followed one load of girls, and
the other the other one. I will try
to describe the occupants of the
ones who followed me, in the
middle was some one with a
false face, a big old white hat looked
like it was running up to speed
on one side was one with a light
calico dress on, ruffled, and when
his dress blew up we could see
a red felt skirt, he had some white
mopping on, and a thick brown
veil on, so we could not see his
face, and in his hand an old
dilapidated looking umbrella,
on the other side, was one with
a dress between a brown and red,
trimmed in velvet, both dresses
were hanging out of the sides

W. Y. S. Oxford Ohio
Jan 25th -12

Dear Eva,

It is now during
half hour, Emma is in the cut,
and I am sitting in one chair
with my feet upon the other, and
the old gas is cutting up all kind
of shivers, while I am trying to
write to you, and that is the
reason I am writing with a
lead pencil for I could not begin
to see to write with a pen, I suppose
you were at Miss Lou Swain's
wedding, were you not? and did
you have a nice time? but I
must tell you about it, she ran

away, and has been staying in Oxford ever since, and told the people there that she was ~~was~~ expelled, a few days since Miss Peabody received a note from her, wishing her carpet and trunk sent to her, ^{rather} or to Oxford as she had gone to Indianapolis on her wedding tour, and she signed her name formerly Lou Swan, but now Mrs Brake or Blake or some such a name, I have been thinking that I need not be entirely discouraged, for I might have as good luck as her some time, Clara Richards cousin has come and she is rooming with her and Mattie Newmyer is rooming with Julia Lambskin, I have not been to see Mattie since you went away, she give me a good scolding about it the

other day, and said she knew all the time, I only came to see you, she also gave you your share for not writing to her. Eva havent you been having a gay time sleigh-riding? we went yesterday, two large sleighs came up in the morning and Miss Dodd's and Cunningham's sections went, and in the afternoon all the others went, but we only got to stay an hour, I went in the last crowd, there were Miss Gay Sheppard's & Burgess' sections, and we had large sleighs with four horses to them, one of them broke down and they had to stop to fix it and the girls had to get out and go in a store, the students crowded around and they had a gay time, but best of all there were two sleighs with three students in

Hannie Read
No 132 N Liberty St
Indianapolis
Ind

Indianapolis Ind
September the 13th 1874

Dear Aish
I suppose you think I have
forgotten you as I have not
written a let but indeed I have
not I was real sick after I
got home, I got hurt awfully
before I started I suppose you heard
about it and I was laid up
for quite a while my head was
hurt very bad.

I have had a splendid time
since I got home. have been
to two or three parties and falls
am going to a grand concert
tomorrow night to the exposition

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the next and I am going to
have a party the next night.
Johnny Lree has been here twice
since I got home.

Are you taking lessons.

How is my friend when did you
see him last and what did he
say do you ever see George what
is he doing. How is Beante.

I was going out last day of the
fair but the friend that was
going with me was taken
sick and I did not go I was
so disappointed. Are you not

coming out to the exposition.

I had the jolliest time coming
home on the cars had the
hardestest going man for
traveling companion.

I met Perry and Willard as
I was going to Rushville

just loved to them. 3

How is that small boy getting on
or Or you may kiss the little
darling for me and tell him
you love him for me of course
for it ^{would} not be proper for you
you know he might not
bunder such a disgression for
it is hardly proper for a lady
to tell a gentleman she loves
him without his consent
I'll save the infair Amkeys we
might need them some day.
What is that your little George doing
now who does he go with.
How is Aries Melvin does he still
live poor little fellow.
And Rhoda I suppose your heart
is still fancy free but Rhoda
being the handsomest girl I
know in all Ranch Co I should
think you would stand a chance
now you will say she is making

fun of me but never mind
Rhode you know coming
I miss my buggy rides with
Rosa very much indeed.
Dora and he are still I suppose
under the ~~late~~ paternal care
of their father, is your ma well,
we are going to move in two
or three days I dont know the
number of the house but as
you will direct, to 132 St Liberty
I will get it as an old friend
lives there and when you write
again I will know our number
I suppose you are getting sick of
my nonsense I can imagine
Eva is saying "she makes me sick"
I dont want to Eva because it
might — but never mind
what it might do so Goodby
my love to all and write soon and
tell me the news. Fannie R.