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## Letter from Annie [L. Muir] to [Daniel H. Muir] , 1872 Oct 21.

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c43  
I have a nice horse and buggy  
David rides all he can and I  
think is improving.

We, at home, are now comfortably  
settled, with our surround-  
ings pretty much to our minds.

In looking back, Dan. over the  
changes which the last few  
years, or, I might almost say  
one year has brought. I feel  
that God has led us by a way  
which we knew not, and has  
led us into pleasant pastimes  
God is very good, and my heart  
rises in gratitude to Him.

Concerning the enclosed money  
order father wishes me to say  
that none but the four in  
the house shall be made  
acquainted. Mother sends  
love to you and Emma, as do  
also I and your

Affectionate sister Annie.

c13  
Dear Brother

As father has appoint-  
ed me to describe this evening, I step  
into Benjamin's shoes and report  
all the changes, "for better or for  
worse"; - (What chance sends me back  
to the parlor, in the old house on  
Hickory Hill, and to the day when  
you and I stood up, joined hands  
and listened to those solemn  
words, <sup>from the lips of "Uncle" the "Squire"</sup> found in Sandy Gray's  
old book which at that time  
opened so readily to the sermons  
from which this is quoted.) but  
to duty - Father says - The pain  
in my stomach is subdued



and is healing very slowly; and except when much tired by over-exertion either in thinking or speaking, the part which before required the application of cold-water cloths, now seems to call for heat; — For further description of his case, I refer you to his notes which he handed me to copy from, and which I enclose. Several times during the last three or four days Father has come very near fainting, after any extra exertion, or ~~rather change of position~~; he also appears better in the evening than in the morning, this only today and yesterday. — David is still very poorly, and complains of having written a description of his case, to you over a week ago, and received

no answer.

Last week John Cairns' wife, Levi Reeves' wife (Abbie Perkins) and another lady were riding down a steep hill in the buggy which she used to own, (a very high one you remember,) when Levi having left the "reps" too long the buggy ran against the horse causing him to rear, the ladies were all thrown violently from the buggy into a ditch. Mrs. Cairns had her left arm broken between the elbow and the shoulder Mrs. Reeves her shoulder hurt and bruised and her collar bone dislocated, or fractured. I hardly know how the other lady escaped with but slight injuries. It now seems natural to report such cases to you.

Perry and Tunis have pur-