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**Letter from Mother [Ann Gilrye Muir] to John Muir, 1886 Feb 1.**

Ann Gilrye Muir

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Portage Wisconsin

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 1886

Dear John

Your very  
interesting letter arrived  
here this morning and  
such good news deserve a  
speedy reply

I heartily  
congratulate you on  
having a second daughter  
added to your family  
I am also much pleased  
to think that Wanda has  
a sister that will very  
soon be a playmate and  
they will very soon enjoy  
each others company

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I am specially glad to know that every body is well and happy

I trust your health has much improved

We are having a very severe winter, but it is really wonderful how very warm and comfortable we can keep ourselves but it requires a great deal of effort to do so -

The side walks were all shovelled out last week so I was tempted to walk to the "Presbyterian Church" yesterday, but I was very stiff and tired when I got home -

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My Parlor & bed room is a success, with my large stove standing so near the door and it keeps the fire going all night.

"John" Bird left us for home two days ago - he expected to meet "Walter" "Brown" at Milwaukee - I wish "Walter" had come on to Portage when he had got so near us we would have been very glad to see him -

Give my kindest regards to Louisa I hope she will soon be in her usual health and able to resume her new cares and duties with gladness of heart -



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We had our pleasant visit  
yesterday from David as  
usual, no kind of weather  
hinders him from coming  
once a week.

Dear John I rejoice  
with you in your joy  
at this time, and I trust  
we will ever have thank-  
ful hearts for the many  
great blessings we have  
enjoyed in the years that  
have passed, and also for  
those we are still enjoying  
with love to all the  
family I am affectionately  
Mother

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