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Pontage, Mis. October 18-1902 -My Dear Brother John ... I write to say, in Particular, that I shipped a bot for you by freight, yesterday, containing the Parts of your wording clock + other things helittled long ago - I am mut at all ! Cure that your will Grid them Satisfactory as they had busine so scattered + missof + passebly broken that it was a very difficult matter for me to know which to send + what to leave here - Suele as the frast whiles + crose vars - Eter Most of the Theres Sent were found up saint Sarahis care & she knew better about theme Howen I have done the best I could with them washing of the dust of things to keep theme from being traker on For Their formery hest ward.

Thinking that Sarah was still in Martingat the time of packing - for it - has taken me a month at least to 1get sweething together + packed to my mind - I used some of her old pires of challe + garment to hill tack which I thought she might - Some time 'vant But I wrate him about it & she said she would nat care about these things in a letter frue how in Scalpoure + received by me after the Lat was mailed ub - + 9 thought - they mightas well go as darking -I also suchosed the buffalo horns of in Each horn you will Lined one of Jarahs little 110 to care inhich I wanted the to have Thurs are also two packages of parsond plants, wire left hus - I have such thende also I am some that I had no money in hand with which to prepay the freight Charges. But come told that it will drake no defference, as to their Safety. I still have some money out but can not get it where I want it which does hub me very short of many to use must of the more.

I hear that you have had another fine outing the summer and the surles Our Bland that - you keep will + able to so on with your valuable writing Cun old college president vesting his In me Mislouri. read your bookst while there with great Bleaders. He wished me to mentione thet fact to you where writing Mr. Good year of this celly also wished suke to give you his mydeals ste, We have had a fine coul summer Sure watter oldight fer Condian I still have the Covered family is the house with rue - and so am any comfartable Situated. My heath is better this your thank last-In fact I searcely consider any selfan Some Ency da, although 9 still dough Some Eny day There Remember one with much bound to sach much of your Samily Diville write to Maggiz soon - Cins glad She is Jeding better - your Sister Ammed Many

My dear Brother John:

I write to say, in particular, that I shipped a box for you, by freight, yesterday, containing the parts of your wooden clock and other things whittled long ago. I am not at all sure that you will find them satisfactory as they had become so scattered and mixed and possibly broken that it was a very difficult matter for me to know what to send and what to leave here, such as the brass wheels, and iron bars, etc.

Most of the things sent were found upstairs in the barn loft. They were left in Sarah's care and she knew better about them. However, I have done the best I could with them, washing off the dust of years and packing them with all sorts of things to keep them from being broken on their journey westward. Thinking that Sarah was still in Martinez at the time of packing, for it has taken me a month at least to get everything together and packed to my mind, I used some of her old pieces of cloth and garments to help pack, which I thought she might sometime want. But I wrote her about it and she said she would not care about these things, in a letter from her in Scappoose, received by me after the box was nailed up, and I thought they might as well go as packing.

I also enclosed the buffalo horns and in each horn you will find one of Sarah's little ink cases which I wanted her to have. There are also two packages of pressed plants, which she used to prize very highly which were left here. I have sent them also.

I am sorry that I had no money in hand with which to prepay the freight charges. But they told me that it will make no difference, as to their safety. I still have some money out, but cannot get it when I want it, which does keep me very short of money to use most of the time.

I hear that you have had another fine outing this summer and the girls also. Am glad that you keep well and able to go on with your valuable writing. An old college president visiting here from Missouri read your books while here, with great pleasure. He wished me to mention the fact to you when writing. Mr. Goodyear of this city also wished me to give you his regards, etc.

We have had a fine cool summer, and are now enjoying delightful Indian summer weather. I still have the Owens family in the house with me, and so am very comfortably situated. My health is better this year than last. In fact, I scarcely consider myself an invalid now (although I still cough some every day).

Please remember me with much love to each member of your family. I will write to Maggie soon. Am glad she is feeling better.

Affectionately your sister,

Annie L. Muir