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Newell family
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Lydia C. Newell correspondence, 1863-
1868

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May 22 1888

Dear brother I take this opportunity
to write you a few lines to let you
know that we are all well at this time
but pa and I guess he will be able
to plant sorghum against Monday
all the rest of the planting is done
Malon hard was here yesterday
and he says he would like to
you that he sends his love to you
and wants you to write to him
oh tip I will let you in to you
a little secret Frank Smith promised
Maria that he would be home in
June Bra went to town last evening
and too how should he do but Frank
poking home well I am very glad
I hope I shall see you leaving home
some of these days I have not seen
Ma Mary for three weeks to day
I think she will be home to day
oh tip you will laugh when I tel

you that you that old Beuth is so
so much of a success that they would
not let his daughter be married
in the Episcopal Church dont you
think that was good for them I any
how John Wadwell was over there
not long ago and him and old Mrs
Beuth had some words he told the
old dinner that he ~~was~~ had some
word to say to traitors and he
drew out his pistol the old witch
began to look to way for Sunday
it had been 6 days since John was
home he expects to get paid off
before long he has not received
no letter from you since you
went away he has wrote you 4
letters John is fat as a pig
and pretty black tip if you are
not fit for duty do try and
get a furlough you dont no
how anxious we feel about you
we all want to see you very much
we all send our love to you we
want to see you my best respects
to all the boys I must quit you
must excuse this scribbling want you
good by for this time From your
daddy G. C. Newel to ransom G. C. Newel

Mrs. Wadwell

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now John if we must write
down for you dont know how
we are about you please write
soon from your sisters

Lydia & Elvira

good by for this time

dont forget to write soon

September the 4 1843

Dear brother I set
down to write you a few lines to let
you know that we are all well at
present and hope these few lines will
find you the same John it has been
more than 12 weeks since I have heard
from you except through 1 one of Mrs
bushers boys he wrote to his father that
you was sick and they dont word to
as I could not wait any longer to hear
from you so I thought that I would
write you a few lines now John if
you are sick I want you to tell me how
you are and what is the matter if you
are not able to write just some one else to
write for you now John I will have to tell
you something about home and the
Sunday School picnic we had a very
nice time only wished you had been
there very much we had a speaking.

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several Gentlemen I will give you the names
of those that I can remember Mrs. in fact
opened the exercises of the day by addressing
the paper moments then came the
Reverend Mr. Trimble he addressed the
Sabbath School scholars which was very
interesting there was five schools there
there was one party of our little girls
dressed just alike all went in waggon
trimmed with reds and every one of our
school boys and girls all had little
flags to carry you never saw any thing so
beut these little girls they were all
marched up to yalbe and asked they
as to us that spoke and for yalbe
and then we had our papers every one
brought their own dresses every thing
that you could think of in the eating
and they had some had coffee others
made tea better and it's very spare
at home I expect you are tired of
this talk by this time and I will not
worry you any longer about the friends

but will tel you the rest in my next
I am still in town Ed was over here
this evening and said the folks was
all well he has got the dollars most
all day and all the stores hauled
Abner Martin Beat Thompson
and our Whip have all got home
Abner is very well and I am
glad he was will get well to be
Duckett has got home I went to see
Abner myself and he told me
all about brother's death they were
intending to come up the river on
the next boat to take my on the same
and together with when he died he was
able to be a boat when and had a
water note here the day he died John
I am not at home and I shall have
to bring my letter to a time John
there was quite a sail here Wednesday
night that was quite a hard storm
and Miss Malry's horse was struck
with lightning

~~It~~ I have got is apart
they dont let me eat at the table
with these kids & you must
excuse this awful scribbling
I am in a hurry I want
to get done before Mrs. H. goes
to town
I love you & stars I live on
friend street
can you find me
I must this weekend
do - hardy good to
this is the first
letter I ever wrote
So

Dont show
this to any body
I want you can
read it

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November 10th 1863

Dear friend I thought I
should write you a few lines and
let you know that I am still
in the land among the living I
I want you to send some tobacco
pipes and a met tobacco and tea
and
will get some hand some place
to work I am tired of doing
house work I have got an easy
place to work but that isn't
all they stuck me back in the
kitchen and there I have to
stay and that I don't like
any more all the company

I am scarce of paper

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"THE GIRL I LEFT BEHIND ME."

He turn'd and left the spot—O! do not deem him weak—
For dauntless was the soldier's heart, though tears were on his cheek
Go, watch the foremost rank, in danger's dark career;
Be sure the band most daring there has wiped away a tear

I am going
away and
I do not
know what
I shall ever

it will not
it not a half
appreciate
the dinner is a
dinner

must
bid you
goodby

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Ointment
Extract of Sassafras
50 parts alcohol of proof
25 drams
of Sassafras 1 pint
of Sassafras 1 pint

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My dear Mother
I have just
received your kind letter
and am glad to hear
that you are all well
I am well at present
and hope to hear from
you again soon

I have not much news
to write at present
I am still in the
same place and
hope to stay here
for some time
I have not time
to write you
more often
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