



Letter to Mary Johnson of Worthington, Ohio from
Elizabeth Beckwith of Somerset, Ohio, 12/21/1839

Subject: Elizabeth inquires about school friends; Elizabeth will never forget Achsa's kindness; Elizabeth wants Mary and Cal to visit Somerset

[Handwritten note, script]

Somerset Ohio

Dear Mary

I have a few leasure [*sic*] moments and will try to write you a few lines. Have you forgotten me Mary if you have I have not forgotten you I have set down often a thought of the times we have had running off from school, But I confess I have neglected you and hope you will forgive me and answer this. I have so much to ask I don't know where to begin.

Do you go to Miss Marsh yet if you do I know you have your own trouble and vexation has she a full school I don't hear a word about it any more and so I think it don't prosper very fast Is Isabella Miller there yet if she is tell her to write to me and I will write to her Is Miss Cary there yet give my love to all especially to your mother tell her I shall never forget her kindness to us whyle [*sic*] at we [*were*] up there. I often sit down and tell folks about her and everybody that knew her like her Give my love to Cal Griswold and tell her I would like for her and you to come to Somerset. O! Do what would I give to see you coming up streat [*sic*] why I would go crazy almost but I must stop that won't do it will make me cry after while, now Mary if you don't answer this if I ever do get to see you I will pull your nose for you Tell Cal to write soon or I will fix her the same way.

I go to school to Miss Tucker now and will for some time Miss T is thought a great deal of hear [*sic*] and if she would go away I don't know what we would do she is taken in the first company and loved very much by all who knew her

O! I do wish you was hear [*sic*] we have so much fun about everything I must now close my letter Mary don't, don't forget to write Think you have an ever Dear friend in Somerset and so goodbye, now do answer this

I remain your friend

Elizabeth Beckwith



Mary Johnson

Give my love to Miss Tuckers sister

[Evelope] Miss Mary Johnson Worthington Ohio

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Note: Elizabeth left the Worthington Academy (Miss Marsh's school) where she was friends with Mary Johnson and Cal (Caroline) Griswold.