



Letter to Mary Johnson of Worthington, Ohio from Emily Beckwith of Somerset, Ohio, 10/11/1839

Subject: Emily is a friend of Mary's from school now living in Somerset. She is asking about friends from school: Isabella Miller, Miss McNeal, Emily Griswold, Emeline Lathrop and Call (Caroline Griswold) and lamenting Mary's failure to write to her and she mentions that Mary generally is long in answering her letters.

[Handwritten note, script]

Somerset Ohio Oct 11, 1839

Dear Mary,

As you have naever [*sic*] answered my last letter, I hope you will not consider it an offence [*sic*] to my writing to you again as I think if you had ever received my letter you would a [*sic*] answered it my reasons for believing so are that I always believed you to be my friend and I think so still. Now I [hope] if you get this one you will not delay so long about answering it. Miss Myers has searved [*sic*] me the same way I wrote to her as much 6 or 7 weeks ago and have never heard a work from her.

How dose [*sic*] Miss McNeal do is she teaching musick [*sic*] ther [*sic*] yet for the school. How dose [*sic*] Miss Marsh come on [has] she many many borders [*sic*] yet and is there any there that I now [*sic*]. O! how is Isabella Miller is she as wild as ever if she is there tell her I send my love to her. And where is Emeline Lathrop I would like to see her and Emily Griswold. I always like my name sakes tell her when she gets married if she lets me now [*sic*] I will come to the weding [*sic*] and you to [*sic*] Mary Call, I would like to have one play with her tell her I will come up next Sumer [*sic*] 4 years and then we will play like yound [*sic*] rabots [*sic*] won't we Mary you nows [*sic*] do you cisey [*sic*] I must not begin with my noncencce [*sic*] or I will be very apt to end with it (I hope you will excuse me for asking as many questions)

Tell Miss Myers that Miss Susan Beckwith got married to a gentleman named Mr. Scott. but you must not let her see this letter. tell her about no answering my letter and then tell me what she sayes. [*sic*]



Ther [sic] has been a great many sick people about Somerset and in Somerset and also in the neighbouring [sic] town some of my acquaintences [sic] have called to try the realityes [sic] of an Eternal world and some relations. but we will let this subject drop, and turn to another one.

Now Mary do not forget and tell me all the news in Worthington and answer my letter (write [sic] a way) do not neglect it now write soon do not delay so long as you do generally [sic]

Youre [sic] affectioned [sic] friend

Emily Beckwith

My love to all

[Envelope] Miss Mary Johnson Worthington Ohio

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