



*Letter to Orange and Achsa Johnson of Worthington, Ohio
from Mary Johnson, Their Daughter, in Newark, Ohio, 10/
2/ [no year]*

Subject: Mary is visiting a friend in Newark (probably Martha H.) and
needs articles of clothing brought to her so she can stay longer.

[Handwritten note, script]

Newark Oct 29 OC PM

Dear Parents,

It seems quere [sic] enough to be addressing you, away from home, but as I left some things that were necessary for me to have, I thought that if I should write to-night you would get it in time that you might bring the things I needed, -which is a package of edgings & laces, that you will find in the basket under the table in my room. You may send a piece of linen cambric for a handkerchief & a red spool of thread I think with a blueish[sic] paper on the end of it.

Martha seems anxious for me to spend several weeks here & I would like to do so, if I thought they really wished me, but it seems as though they would want to rest after M. is married. I wish you would think of it & tell me what to do when you come over-

If you should think best, I want some things, my Lawn, Balzoreen, [sic] Blue Tarlton, [sic] & anything else that I think I could spend the time very pleasantly—Miss

Howell and Miss Young called here this afternoon, & Mr. Woods this evening—Martha and I called upon the bride this morning—M.P. Bigalow--& we were out shoping[sic] saw a great many nice goods, & very cheap—but did not see any pretty silks, or any that I wanted Margaret has just been talking to me about my staying- she says I must, & that you must bring my winter bonnet & all the fixins[sic] —if you should put them both in the band box together—talk to Mrs. Nash about it-& do just as you pleas[sic]about it, if I knew it would be perfectly convenient I should insist upon it, a few weeks here would shorten the time considiable[sic]—M. has just whispered that you must not say no—They are expecting you all—I hope you will—I do not think of anything els[sic]so I bid you good-bye—only adding that had a very pleasant ride, some little rain, but suffered no inconvenience from it—

Yours



Mary Johnson

Sunday , 1 OC P.M>

I just now asked for pen, ink, when Mrs. H. asked if I was going to write home & said, tell them not to expect you home for a monnth[sic] Now that they have all requested & urged me to spend some time with the, I do wish to, but as you and Pa thinks best—If

you should decide to let me remain, besides the things I have mentioned, I wish you would bring, my satin dress it is in the under drawer, bring any dress patterns, & collar patterns & that piece of swiss I got when in C. in the drawer next to the upper—& those blue flowers that you will find in my riding cap in the same drawer-as I have not got a medium silk I thought that satin dress if repaired & added to, it would answer every purpose—bring my light shoes in the table drawer in my room, & those thick sole shoes-& more under clothes, & whatever you see that you think necessary I cannot think, calculate to leave me the trunk, you can put your things in the carpet bag—I forgot the cape to my satin dress & pecies [sic], & old light silk & pecies[sic]—do not forget my plume—I want my gaiters in the closet & my perfume colone[sic] & the other in the cupboard, & the Balm of Columbia-

[Envelope] Mr O Johnson Worthington Ohio

[Postal Seal] Newark O