

Letter to Mary D. Johnson of Worthington, Ohio from Molly A [no last name] of 2130 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, No Date

Subject: Molly is disappointed that Mary has not come to visit during Mary's father's frequent visits; specific friends are mentioned including Miss Griswold Smith

[Handwritten, script]

My own dear Mary

perfect ease

I was very arguably disappointed this evening to see your Father at our house and was rather disappointed at my not seeing you with him. I don't even know why but I got it in my head that you was not attending school this semester and knew that your father was out here often and I had really anticipated a visit from my gay friend Mary I must be brief for your Father leaves in the morning and 2 of my old beaux have called to see me and I must leave for a short time the very agreeable task of writing to my good friend M—both says say a good word for them to my friend and really Mary we have some right nice fellows here and none to spare and as for your wanting one for Miss Engle[?] I think it is perfectly useless for sure Mary you cannot be in your right mind to think that Miss E [?] would marry Mr H?? and as for Miss Fisk and Mr [Elders] I think they will do well very well both--I suppose you enjoy yourself very much with your lively friend Liz sweet girl please give my best love to her and tell her to have a tender care over our mild but true friend [Sista?] don't you think Mary I have not written to Sista yet make all excuses in the world for me and tell her I will certainly write soon it is not because I do not feel any inclination to write to her or have had company or I have been away ever since I have been home I have sat up until 12 writing this Mary I have grown so ___ You would not own and see if you will your Father comes out often why cannot you come with him some time me I am getting sleepy tremors and all that sort of thing pray excuse this scrap for I will write you a letter and longer one next time My best love to Miss Griswold Smith and all that I know at W what a horrid horrible looking letter this is indeed Mary I do not believe you it at all---Mary for mercy sakes excuse this ____ and believe me your very true though____friend Molly A P.S. Seeing this letter is not going by mail I will put in a peace of my new gown what think you of it Mary I would send you a peace of my bonnet but it is and it would be nothing new they have both come from Norwalk to day I suspect I shall ____make requested a ____new dress shawl and bonnet what think you Write your loving friend Molly [In pencil at the end of the letter] very glad to hear from you my dear Mary I can read your epistle with



[Envelope] Miss Mary D Johnson Worthington O.