

February 17, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Freeman  
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Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grayce and Don:

If Gertie and I wrote you every time we talked about you, you would find it difficult to read our correspondence and take care of routine matters. We wish we were nearer together so we could visit more often. So many things come up that I should like to talk over with you.

Grayce, do you remember the daguerreotype of a rather handsome woman that we thought might be a different picture of Aunt Clara. I sent the picture to ~~Clara~~<sup>Clara</sup> and she returned it because it was not that of her mother. It may be that it was simply a picture of some woman friend of mamma's or of grandmother's, and if so, it doesn't mean anything especially to us.

I brought down part of mamma's music yesterday to have it repaired and restored as much as possible in our book bindery. When this is completed, I shall bring down the rest of it.

We hear from Mary Jule often, and I know she would appreciate hearing from you. Perhaps you are writing her, but I think maybe that she gets a little lonely there at times. She has just begun teaching for a few hours a day, which I think will be a fine thing for her. I am beginning to believe that our friendship for her means more to her than perhaps we had thought. She seems quite appreciative of everything we do. You may have been writing her regularly but if you haven't, I know she will appreciate it.

I hope that both of you are feeling well and that we shall be able to see you before many more months have passed. You mean a lot to me.

Lovingly,

WCS:df

Your Brother