

selected the better land. We don't wish Blanche
Nanette or Gertrude to scold Dolph and John
Louis publicly. The public cares little and we
pull down ourselves. In other words I shall
never go back on you if, through some miasma,
you bring forces of evil on my head.

You made a few mistakes Sweet Birtles.

Julia and I was born in Warren township
Lake County six miles west of Waukegan. (Grandpa
had the post office ^{long before our day} at Warrenton from 1852 to 1859
then turned it over to a man named Phineas ^(Sherman))

We arrived in Larned March 25. Julia
remembers because her birthday was the next day.
As I told you grandma died August 26, 1878. I should not
have said "The few hundred dollars" for with the money ^{lost, etc.}
we were in fine shape.

John R. Baird had been superintendent for a time before
the parties decided they wished mamma and mamma declined
for his sake. He had both leg Collie, but was bent from
rheumatism. It was about 1885 or '86 Julia ^{thinks that}
mamma ^{received the offer of the superintendency} but we are
not sure of the time.

This is the day our beloved father died, October 29.
Little Jennie died October 1, and Aunt Belle October 23. Mamma and Uncle

Louis in November. the 17 and 29.