

Campbellburg

Dec. 22, 1890

Mr. & Mrs. Mastie's wife.

Dear Brothers & Sister

We received your letter  
some time since was  
very glad to hear from  
you all. Would have  
written sooner, but have  
<sup>been</sup> thinking we would  
start on the Cong. jour-  
ney to see you early  
since. Just one thing  
and then another  
would come in the  
way so we have not  
got off yet. Was sorry  
we could not come  
while Charlie was down.

Suppose you are getting  
ready for old Santa  
What has Slater written him  
suppose he ad large en-  
ough to write by this time.  
and perhaps Mr. Wright-  
wonder take to open up a  
correspondence with old Santa  
Pa went up to Mother's  
this evening. will bring  
her home with him if  
nothing prevents. Ma &  
Lillie (our daughter's) have  
been baking cakes all day  
think they got one though  
all right. I helped them  
you may know. While  
I write Lillie is dressing  
some dolls for her.

Nephews & nieces, I have  
discovered that about the  
first thing to be done  
after you have entered  
the holy relation, is to  
get acquainted with old  
Daisy-Clayton, Well I  
believe I had better  
tell you something about  
our trip to the Green City.  
We had a huge time,  
I say huge time because  
we put on top-notch style  
Oh Me! More than we  
were taught by the tra-  
ditions of our forefathers.  
We stopped at the Grand  
Hotel Cincinnati, and  
so grand, words can  
not express it. We walked  
upon marble floors & beautiful  
carpets. From the time we

entered until we took up  
our departure, I never felt  
so grand in all of my life  
but alas, everything is  
fleeting. My fond dreams  
of utopian happiness  
were destined to be  
crushed, I heard a sweet  
small voice say, all these  
nice things cost. I would  
go farther with my discip-  
le, but Lillie is quitting  
because I don't say some-  
thing about her. No more  
my life I can't think of  
anything - so say, she sends  
her love you both and Mabel  
and regrets very much  
that we can not come  
Christmas. We will have to get  
over the effects of the grand before  
we can go any where, give my  
regards to Mrs. Mabel,  
O. L. Talbot