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My dear sister.

I came home Friday night and found your long and very interesting letter which gave me great pleasure.

I am very much gratified to learn that all of you have passed the worst of the summer in health and that the children are getting on so well. One of the best things you now do will be in the evenings to school the children - It is unfortunate to lose a dog at their ages.

We had a pleasant summer near West Point - I came home with the boys, Caroline and I on Friday night - the 13th - Sister will stay another

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Hamilton until Oct. - Ella & Mary stayed
on until Monday night 10 to 11 of Jan
say a bit. We were only 48 miles from
N.Y. and it was a lovely boat ride
there and back. I must have acci-
dentally put the children back under
cups. We stopped a few hours on our
Columbus. Commenting on the clouds
and the lights, Nelson said "Wouldn't
Roosevelt open his eyes if he were
here to see N.Y.?" As you see they still
think of you ~~it is~~. I only wish
they could see each other often. If
Luis sticks oil, you can come up
here often and see your pocket.

I have been watching anxiously for
the news from Yocum's well and
from the Bryan heights. we do hope
to see every day news of spring wells,
if not great gushers. I spent about

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Three weeks in the Hudson - we had a pleasant
boating season over looking the river just
17 1/4 miles from West Point. The scenery was
beautiful, the air fresh and invigorating -
All eyes look well. With our Indian
stills from - Caroline had - the 5 7 5.
for 7 1/2 inches. He likes her a great
time with the coats, looks and concerns
all the time. Mother & pleasant here
The land is in a rural area the death
of the President and will be full of
until Thursday - Roosevelt will
probably ~~not~~ ~~be~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~country~~ ~~concerns~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~ad-~~
in the managing concerns of the ad-
ministration. I ask your ideas of Ann.
I rather fear the something - she has not come
up to what I expected of her, though I have
been hoping she would do something. I agree
with you about Billie. Please join me
in dearest love to your friends & the children.
I enclose memorandum of the Shepard's

President connection. It is all right &
has passed the examination of the
high school to which I can give you
more information. But heavy can when
she comes. Write her if you need any
more. Glad you will join the League &
will join in the shorthand side. It can
doing with Edna shorthand who was
member of Long Green St. (College)
1910-1911. Edna was the President
of League - Edna

Just affectionately - Mother
Beth Shepard

decide to their desire to know something
of their family history.

Your own 99 Father James McDowell
was in the war of 1812. He was a Major
of a Ky regiment engaged in the
campaign against Tecumseh's Indians
and distinguished himself in a
battle fought in Ohio, about Dec
15 1812. He was in Col Simrall's
regt of Ky volunteers & afterwards
became Lieut Colonel. You will
find this in a book by T M Green
entitled "Historic Families of Kentucky"
page 47 to 50. It was published
in 1889 by Robt Black & Co Cin-
cinn. Ohio.

This book contains an account of
the McDowell family and others.

The girls are entitled to join
the Colonial Dames, The D A R and
the 1812 Society. Besides, they can
on the Shapere side join the Society
of Mayflower Descendants, as descendants

of Eldon within months.
I can furnish the references for all of these.

I have not been in good health for
some time since last May. I broke down
then finding that I had an abnormally high
blood pressure. Went to Bad Nauheim
in Germany for the baths & cure and
was caught in Germany by the war, but
got home without much difficulty.

My right arm is rather numb & I
can not use a pen very well. Hence
could write well any more. I hope you
will be able to read this.

I hope to hear from you again.

Yours very truly
in which my wife joins,
to each and all of the children. I think
you could hear my wife. Your affectionate cousin
Sally Shepard