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Anna M. Johnson

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Sincere well wisher

Anna Wilson

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Poynett [Wis.],
Dec. 6th, 1863.

Dear Friend,

I have been so long in fulfilling my promise that I am almost ashamed to do it at [all]. I had my picture taken soon after I saw you but did not know where to send it till after I came home. I have been at home now most seven weeks, so there is little excuse for me, but you must not be too hard on me, as I never wrote much. I have not been very well since I came home. Mother's health has been poor. David and his wife were here three weeks ago. She was well then. I have not seen her since. There has been a good deal of excitement going on here about the draft. There have been a good many drafted, but all will pay that can get hold of the money. I suppose your folks are all safe. I will inclose that long promised picture, although it is such a horrible looking thing that I hate to send it, but I will rather than tell a lie. I should like to have you write and let us know how all the folks are, and when you intend to make us another visit. I will be at home most of the winter, and I would like to have you come and bring Mary and Anna with you.

I will add no more, but remain,

Your sincere well-wisher,

Anna Watson.