

Ashville and I should be more
than pleased to accompany you,
were it in my power to do so.
Am very glad though, we shall
see you before going there.
Can you believe it! I am up
after ten o'clock writing to you -
I am such a one for bed at
"nine" - know you must wonder
at it - though it is you, is why
I am writing at this late hour.
What are you busy about now?
must press into your daily routine
and write me a long letter very
soon - I would like so much
to see the boys - My best love to
Mrs Twitty - And all join in
the same to each of you.
Good night -

Yours sincerely,
Bettie W.

"Fountain Hill,"
March 2nd, 1874.

Dear Aunt Ell:-

Mamma is now on a
visit to grandma - I ought to
have waited until after her re-
turn, in order to have given you
the latest news from her - but
there will be passing to Warrington
tomorrow, is why I write to-night -
I went yesterday to call on a
young stranger in the neighbor-
hood - Cousin Emma Jones has
another son - named it "Whit." -
I know you must miss Nellie
a great deal! she is so cheerful,
or I should have said full of

life - Doubtless she, (and in fact
the whole community) wondered
at Hattie Battle's selection. Hope
she will not regret her hasty
step into matrimony - Expect you
have heard that Dr. Field's place,
belongs now, to one of cousin
Leah Perry's children - Aunt
Mary Ann, had quite a "storm"
at her house, on the night of
Feb. 13th, so did Mr. Q. Harris,
I did not attend either of them -
Sallie went to Mr. Harris's -
made an engagement to go
there, before she heard of the
other - Both were well attended.
Cousin Mary Burton is staying
some with us now - Beck is with
Kellie - Reie is looking every day
for her - I am fearful you
will not be able to read this,
my pen is so very rough - Thought

would not lose much if you
failed - Cousin John Beck has
been suffering nearly all winter
with a sore hand - it is much
better now - he was fearful at
one time it might be a cancer.
Miss Ann Harris is now sick
at her brother's - I want to go up
to uncle Whit's soon, and stay
some with grandma - I think,
from what I heard Cousin June
Alston say, that he intends sell-
ing his new place, (after awhile)
to Cousin Al - think aunt Polly
would like it very much - Reie
Alston is in Warrington. We
expect Ellen Williams to-morrow
she is in Warrington also. Whit
and Billy write home often they
seem much pleased in Arkan-
sas. I know you will spend
a most pleasant Summer at