

*[Letter from Llewellyn Drinkwater to Olive Knight; Llewellyn is ill and is in Hot Springs, Arkansas to try and get better; he is married to Nellie Knight, Arno's youngest sister]*

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Dear Sister,

Your letter just received a few minutes ago and will be prompt in replying to it. Here it is Spring and I am still in Hot Springs and dont know whither I will leave in a month or not but I think I will start for home by Apr. 5 at latest but am not sure. I am gaining but still have my lame spells and am far from well. If I had known I was going to gain so slow I think I should never come here. We have had some cold weather here for the past two weeks, cold for this place at least. I do not bath any bad days. Have not bathed for a week untill today. It has been very pleasant today but windy like March at home. We expect good weather for a spell. If we get it I shall expect a marked improvement in three or four weeks. I am still consulting Greenway. I think he is the best Dr for a case like mine I could have found. As the Disease works on any one the muscles and cords become contracted all over the body. And any one will never be right untill they are made to expand and assume their proper functions. I think there are a small presence of such cases as mine ever cured. I try to take good care of myself but I caught a little cold a week ago and I soon felt the effects of it. I am quite well over it now I have not herd from Ed and Alice for some time They wrote very regular for a spell. I get two letters a week from Nell and Albert always puts in a lot of kisses for papa. How I would like to see him. Am sorry Arne has had another sick spell. You must take good care of him and he will outgrow his trouble in time I think

Bessie Farrow did well I am sure. The last time I saw her I did not expect any thing better for her. And I never should have thought of Henry Hartshorn getting married. I guess there is no danger of me being drawn on the jury but I think I will be at home in time to serve if I was drawn. Tell Arno to write all the news as I like to know what is going on at home. I want to send this off in the mail to night so will close for this time. Your Loving Brother Llewellyn