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[Letter is possibly from Nellie Knight to her brother Arno Knight; Arno is working in Colorado]

Belfast Me. Nov. 28th 1881

My Dear Brother,

Received your letter to day in a letter from home was as I always am very glad to hear from you but very sorry you do not gain any faster it certainly is very discouraging and you are one that thinks a good deal and suffer in your mind so much but Arno you suffer not alone you know not how mother and sisters have suffered at the thoughts of the pains you had to endure and knowing your disposition so well and how you would worry seem so we could almost fly there Hope you will come home as soon as you are able I would not stay there, we can get a honest living some how here if we don't assume wealth and what is wealth to health happiness and contentment I think we might as well take life as it comes to us and if we have but little to start with and do our best and if we are to have more it certainly will be granted to us how we want you to come home and be contented and what is the use to fret and worry we know it does no good and only does harm but in your case it really seems terrible you dear old boy

After you was so good to come home and help administer to our dear father wants the last you could do for him and he was so very grateful and spoke of it so much that we never thought you would loose any thing by it and dont know, think you will be rewarded and a contented man yet and how we hope you will Arno you don't know how interested I am in your welfare and how much I have thought of you I think and sincerely hope I have a true sisterly love for you and think I have and only hope and trust you will come out allright yet

Little Addie has been writing to you and has done well she would be very much pleased if you would answer it she is a real smart little girl and good to, her mother takes lots of pains with her Anna is a nice woman as ever was I never was so well acquainted with her as I have became since my stay in Belfast I think good deal of her now expect I shall be homesick after I go home guess Ave will be after me tomorrow. I am through with my trade now don't expect to become immediately rich by it but think I shall work at it all I can I like it so well wont [goes to margin at the top of the page which is partially torn]

Fan is married Amen married the 20th