Box 1, Folder 25, Item 5- Letter to Ora Morgan from Dell (1905 Jan 25)

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Dear Sister

Your [[?]] letter of rec end date received and you do not know how we enjoyed them. I think how fortunate that you do not always have postal cards at hand, for than I get quite a letter! Are you comfortable out there to-day? we are haveing a time keeping kinder so, far the Thermometer fell vary rapidly yesterday and froze a lot of [[?]] the

[[written in margins]]

Did you take your furniture? and have you more than [[?]][[?]], tell me all about the place further you heard people and several so we will lemon back you are a [[?]] all [[?]] in love to all with love Sister Dell

[[/written in margins]]

2 Caladium for one, consequently Edna in about sick, Glad you rec, your letter [[?]] all right and that you found the park in good shape and that it fills the bill if I had had time I would have made a one for D. It have at the office, and I may another time. I think Edna wrote you about most of

our C. Presents so I will not dwell there. The little dish you sent Mother is a little [[?]] and can be [[?]] in many useful ways and Grandpa muffler is so rich looking [[?]] I will frame it into service for him [[?]]a very wide collar, and my jacket no stand up collar

3 I must confide in you on your drawings for us. Could vary readily tell what they were, I think your and Grandmas Aframe are alike onaly you have the strings Extra, must compliment on the curve of the storms, vary natural and in a slight breeze As you are aware Sabbath was Harps birthday, So Saturday Evening the friend gave him a surprise and it was [[?]], they were to meet at Carmila and when they were ready to start from there [[?]] was to phone and ask for Edna and in the [[?]] She was to inform her they were starting so Edna could be practicing So as to drown their foolishness or any kind

4 of a racket for they wanted to come round to Harp side door and walk in without any ceremony and they did not a sound was heard until they opened the door and filed in, he was sealed in his large chair with his papers fixed for the [[?]] he had just returned from his Evening round at the horn for generally offer surprise later his lantern and make around through the barn to see that all is right for the night and we were so afraid they would com while he was out or he would meet them coming in but he just escaped, he looked up from his paper as cool as could be and said good evening come in and took his time

Sto getting up, we had everything ready but lighting up and Edna and Archie dressing Moths and I had changed our dresses but Edna could not for she had to [[?]] up a racket in her [[?]] room, we had a good fire in the range and tea kettle boiling everything ready in the kitchen to cook there [[?]][[?]] make the coffee, could set-the table but had everything in the dishes and hid among and Ban Ry- brough the niece crack of slam all fixed ready to dish and, so we had no funny or mussing around. Ban also brought a lot of the [[?]] little. Pickle, Aunt Serelda the cake

Nell B- a cake, and Edna a cake will go on and finish about the Supper [[?]] hat and cold cracker, butter, pickle and [[?]][[?]]

6 first course, second four kind cake caned peaches, apple, orange and coffee. Nextly the erand, Evan came and to stage over Sabbath you know Cousin Charlie Rabb was here and a visit he and Nell A- Ollie could not leave Ed at night and Will had Asthma and could not come, Ollie R, mag and the [[?]] youngest girls, Serelda Barb and Clyde, Charlie, Clara, Stanert, Brannic, and Hollie C. Ban, Jim, Fergie, James and Grace Y-, that were about the [[?]] that could not come. They left before Sunday declaring they had had such a delightful eve. they were [[?]] afraid it might disturb

7 Grandma as she was so quiet but think no are enjoyed the Eve. Better than she, we sent her to the far for soon as they came and did not allow her further and then the dining room to supper a joke an Charlie R. He was rushing through the dining room saying he was on the hunt o fit eAunt Marry for he wanted to see her more than any one and could not find her some one informed him that he would find her in the Parlor, he was slightly surprised said it was the first time in his memory he ever had to go to the Parlor to find his Aunt Marry, for if she did not meet him when he came in he was sure to find her in the Kitchen. Ollie and Dell went

8 down a little while the other day and gave us our invitation for the [[?]] [[?]] of Leever but I will to allow myself to think of it for so so much can happen for Bessie Seeran had a sister married Thanksgiving Eve, and a Brother die Dec. 20th, and we went down and surprise Jim and Ban Dee.T and so many of the younger people meant so that large house was made to ring with laughter and music and the 22nd we went to show our respect for poor little Birthcie as we called him and lay him to rest they laid him away so so mies and such grief, and the Eve we were there of conn they wanted Edna gayest music

9 and the morning of the funeral Edna led the singing and played and the child could [[?]] get through the first verse of the first song but fortunately she [[?]] up, but we will hop and pray that all may be much for the coming day. Since I sat down to write here rec. an invitation for tomorrow eve, at the residence of Jones [[?]] it is gallery up by some of the friends, and the Connleys perform here just arrived containing an account of the Heath Surprises, so will send you one of the clippings and you can send it to the children for me will want to react one . I commenced this to

10 inform you that the MaGague and Paper here not arrived and at you wrote us to tell you [[?]], of they did not arrive at time think they are kinder suspicions of the Co. you wished the paper addressed Edna wishes to know if you rec. her journal of [[?]][[?]] of very interesting news, and a little Collar the Collar I thought reel pretty. Speact I will have to say Goudly for dinner almost ready and we are going to have corn bread and you lemon I am partial to that Now do write real soon, for [[?]] [[?]] I will want to visit again last of next month good know May [[?]] not yet [[?]]