

close - I have a thousand thanks to give my dear Anna
for your agreeable letter - and I hope you will
accept my
affectionate
Love
Always

Wednesday Dec-
5th

I thank you my Dear
Anna, for your interesting
letter, I had seen the an-
nouncement of our much
respected friend Mr Crittenden's
death - and felt it would
be a sorrow to my Dear
Brother - he is a great loss
to the country. Tho' perhaps
he lived long enough for
his own happiness, as he
could no longer exercise his
great talents and warm
patriotism in its service.

I was concerned to hear of
your Mother's new source of
anxiety, but hope before

this she has renewed
her asking accounts of
her son - I suppose his wife
is with him, or well informed
of his position - we have eagerly
sought for information
about Kentucky - hoped Mor-
gan's capture would have
effectually put an end to
those domestic wars that had
given so much trouble - and
been so fatal to many of
its citizens - we look anxiously
for the efforts that are
now making in the South
in hopes they will terminate
the war - or open the door
to arrangements that may

stop the effusion of blood.
Marian Etting is staying
with me at present and
desires her love may be
acceptable to you & your
Mother, for whom she enter-
tains very affectionate remem-
brance. Josephine & she talk
of a summer excursion
to father. Charles Etting is
here on duty for a short
time, he looks thin, his
Mother's family being in
the country within a short
distance from town, I do
not get much of his compe-
ny & therefore have none
of his war experience to tell
you, but "they say" he acted
well his part and after a

short time will resume
his position in the army.
I am sorry to hear your sister
Laura is not in health, give
her & Minnie my love, and
much, very much to your
Dear Father & Mother - we are
in the midst of a very hot spell
of summer weather, but
thank God are well - Horace
wrote to his uncle last week
we have to keep quietly at
home until evening, and
then the younger members
of the family come to us -
Laura Mordecai is at New Port
on a visit to the Brindleys
who are her neighbors & pupils.
Alfred is with Genl Gilmore at
Follys Island - where we hope he will
be favorably received of - I have come
to the end of my paper - and

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