1873, 1878, 1881 Ann Murray

Indianapolis is a remarkable town, I suppose it is the only city in the United States that has no water works at the rate of the world. It has 100000 inhabitants. So entirely built up by Rail Roads. I went down with Ted Grant & his wife. Had a long talk in the way with Mrs. Grant; she is a silly childlike little woman, but very unassuming & pleasant. She told me her Grandmother was a Miss Dorsey of Md. from somewhere near Baltimore. That she went to Kentucky with an excursion party about 60 years ago and married a Capt. Carr & never went back. Ask any old Dorseys you meet if they know what Dorsey family she belonged to. When you see any of the Rodgers ask them if St. Clair Sutherland is in Chicago. I saw a card in yesterdays paper from St. Clair Sutherland something about politics. It was dated Chicago, & if it is my old acquaintance I would like to hunt him up. Nov 13. I will now finish my letter my dear Annie & send it off. I am very anxious to hear from you all. Have you heard anything of Harry lately. I wrote to him some months ago & Rob wrote to Robt but we hear nothing of them. We are beginning to have cold weather & it has started the furnace. It is a new thing for us & we were at first afraid to have a fire built as we felt that there was danger of blowing up the house a setting it on fire, but we are now easy about it & find it a very great comfort. Best love to all from self Adelaide & the boys.

Affectly & truly yrs A. Murray

for the largest communication

424 Oak Stat St.
Chicago Nov 22. 1878.

My dear Annie —

I do not owe you a letter, if a p.c. is considered as a letter by you & as you are a great advocate for p.cs. I suppose you are willing to count it so — but I have not heard from any one in Maryland for so long that I will not wait for you but write to day. We are finely & comfortably fixed in our house, not as elegant as a high Division Mrs. Dorsey's house might be in these times of mystery — but good enough to live in & a very great improvement on boarding — The boys enjoy housekeeping very much. They have a play room fixed up in the upper part of the stable which they enjoy especially & now Dorsey has a dog, which he has been pining for for over two years, I made the acquaintance ten days ago of a most pleasant & pleasant puppy who seemed to be without an owner & after walking with him & hobnobbing with him two or three squares & finding that we were very congenial, I suggested to him that he should come home with me, a proposition which he at once jumped at & he has been with us ever since, to our mutual satisfaction. I advertised him as found