

written in the margins.
Good-bye for this week
Yours truly,
Joe Ann Gode
P. S. I have
do you do &
how are you
enjoying your
self in these
days you
mustn't forget
me, nor get
bored.
I am
loving
letters to
me. Will
you & my
love to John
& Mother &
a share
for mother
Chas. & John
Gode.
Sally.
The Sister Annie,

I have not much news
to write you this week; but, will write something
anyhow to assure you that you are remembered
by me. If I could see you I rather think we
could find enough to talk about, don't you?
I do want to see you all so much, that when
I get to thinking of it sometimes it seems to me
I must start right off, for N. S. But I don't
expect to see you in months, if I ever do again.
Yesterday J. & Susan & Samuel was up here about
all day, so I did not get chance to write any.
Susan said to tell you, that your baby was growing
finely. They call it by the name you sent ^{for} it.
I think it is quite good looking for a child 2 mon.
old. Rhoda is about the fattest little "brat" you
ever saw. Horace weighed her yesterday. She weighed
28 lbs. 2 1/4. Lucinda often laughs & says she
thinks that Rhoda & John will be well match-
ed, & thinks they will be called a fat couple.
She hears & notices all she hears talked, & will talk
things over that one would not think such a
child would remember. Yesterday she asked me

if I had got a letter from home?" She hears them ask me, so she thought she must. She talks as she hears grown people talk; but she don't act old like some children; but is as full of fun & frolic as a wild young one.

I think C. Sheldon's baby's name quite pretty. How do you pronounce Ethel? Do you pronounce it E-Mel or Eth-el?

Is John Knowles & Albert Jeff at Chicago now? What business are they in? I think that if they like living in Chicago they will like anywhere, for it is a little of the meanest, dirtiest hole, I ever staid 24 hours in.

I sent you & mother a paper two or three weeks ago. Also I sent you a card for a birthday present, yes & I sent mother & Chae, one ^(card) two. I have never heard, but suppose you have got them all? H. said if I wrote today while he was out, to give his "love & respects to all J. Jeff's folks," so here you have it. He often says he wishes Ann & Chae would come out & live with us. Says it would not be half as lonely if there was some one else but us here all the time. Give our love to Esther & Becca, also to the rest of our R.I. friends if they haven't all forgotten us. You must write me often & write good long letters for that is what cheers me, in this