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BY: *RONALD R. PRINZING*

NOTE: Please read the article by the author found at the very last of this posting.

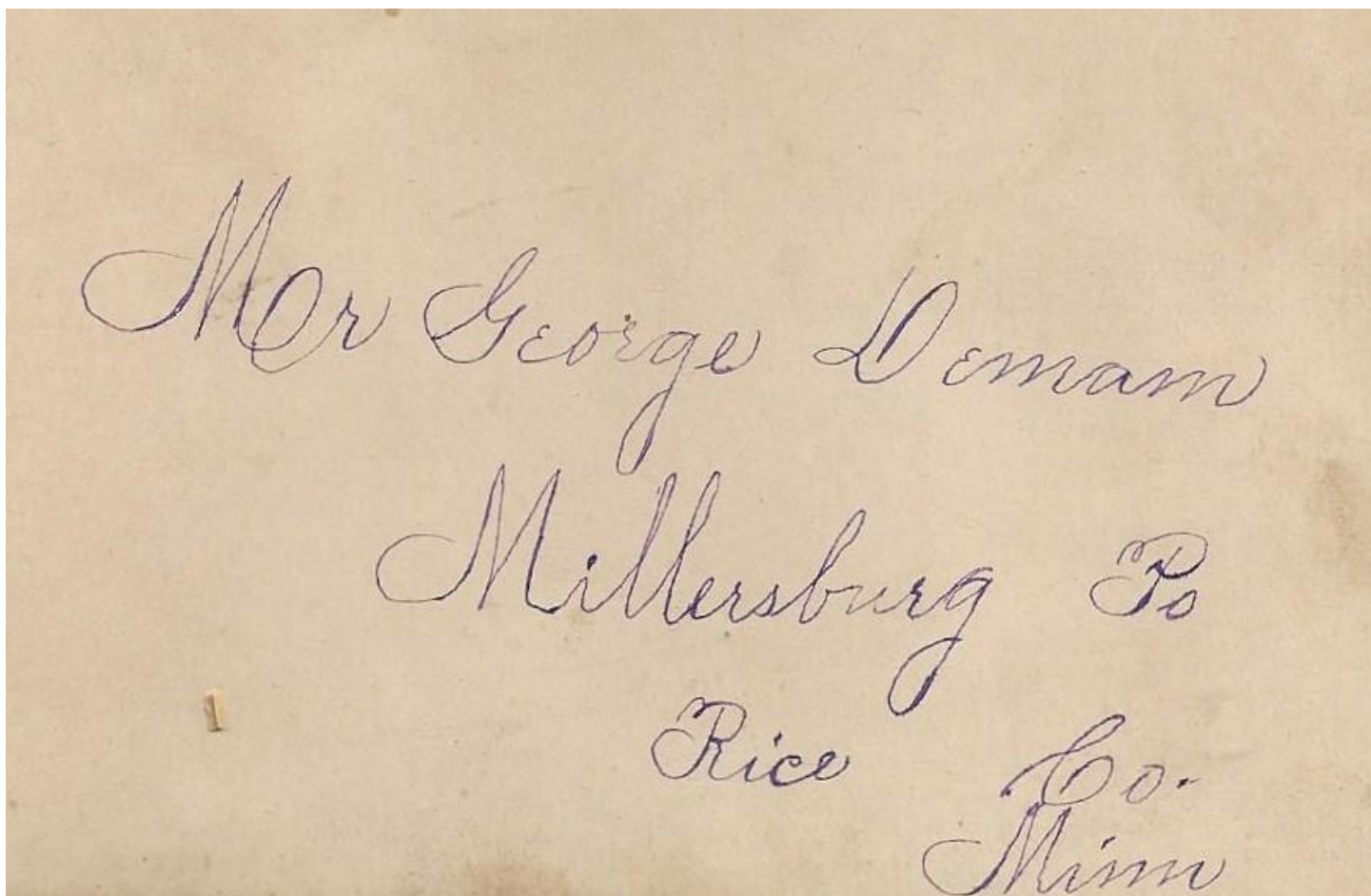


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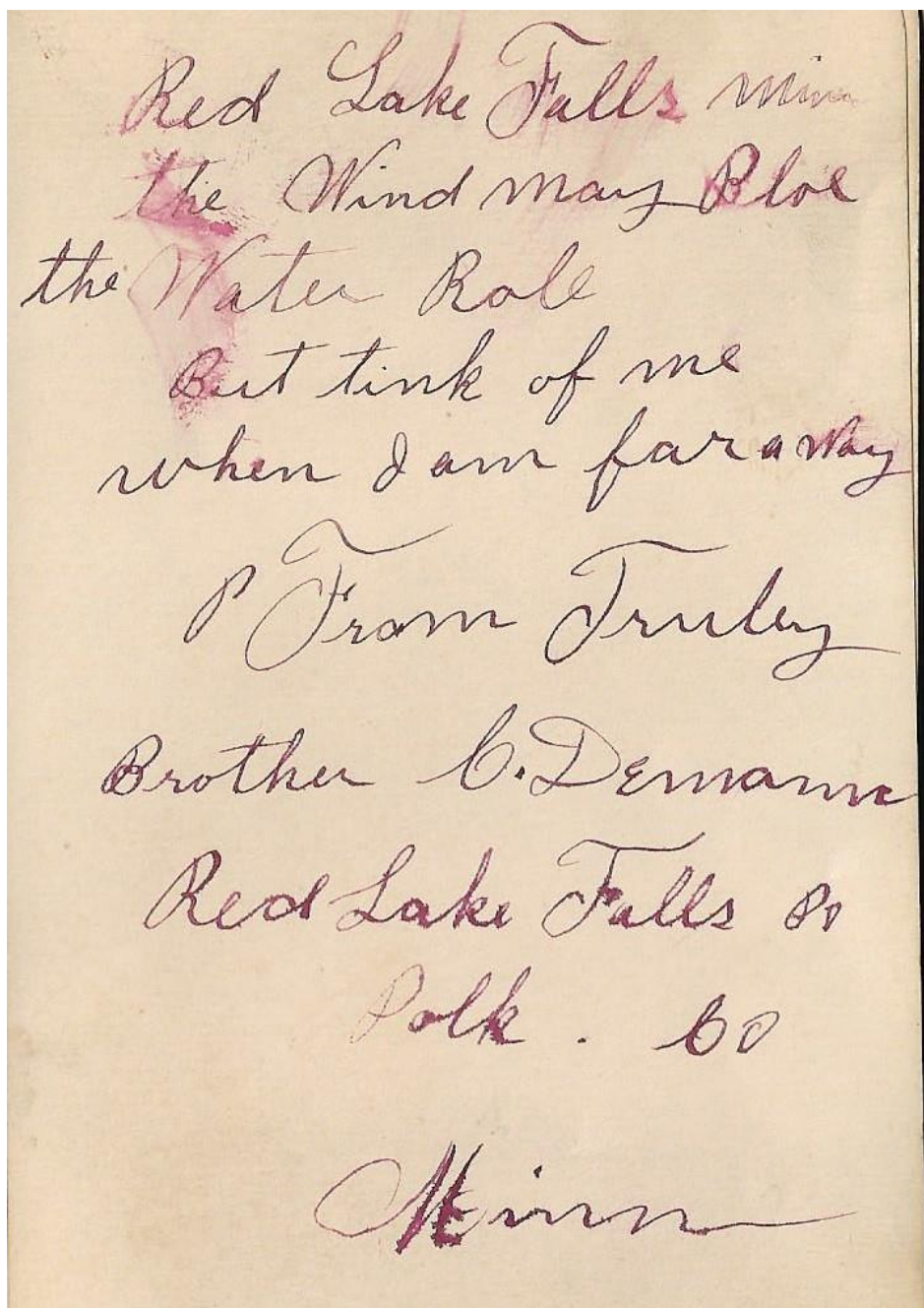


Mr George Demann
Millersburg Pa
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Red Lake Falls Minn.
The Wind may blow
the Water Roll
But think of me
when I am far away
P From Truly
Brother C. Demann
Red Lake Falls so
Polk. Co
Minn

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Kristiane Demann:

Stille ich wieder liegen nun
mit mein Gassen fließt ein
den zu gehen fügen das
mit zu gehen fügen ich
Alle ich fühlte bei Augen
nicht von dem was ich
fiele so alle ich fühlte
das ist das was ich
dann lieh mich mit dem

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According to the translation the following is that of Kristiane Demann's entry in the autograph book:

“Never will I curse against, when the one who hates me curses me.

Never will I try to hurt the one who tries to hurt me.

I will meet him kindly, won't threaten him, when he threatens me.

If he scolds, I will bless: it ist he Lord's commandment.

Your loving mother Kristiane Demann.”

Demann TRANSLATION from German to English

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Stefanie Spitzer** <stefaniespitzer@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon, Jul 9, 2018 at 6:23 AM

Subject: WG: Re: WG: Fwd: German

To: Alicia Reuter Barevich <aliciacreuter@gmail.com>

Hi Alicia,

You'll find the transcription attached. The reason it was so hard to decipher was because it was partially written in Old German and/or Plattdeutsch.

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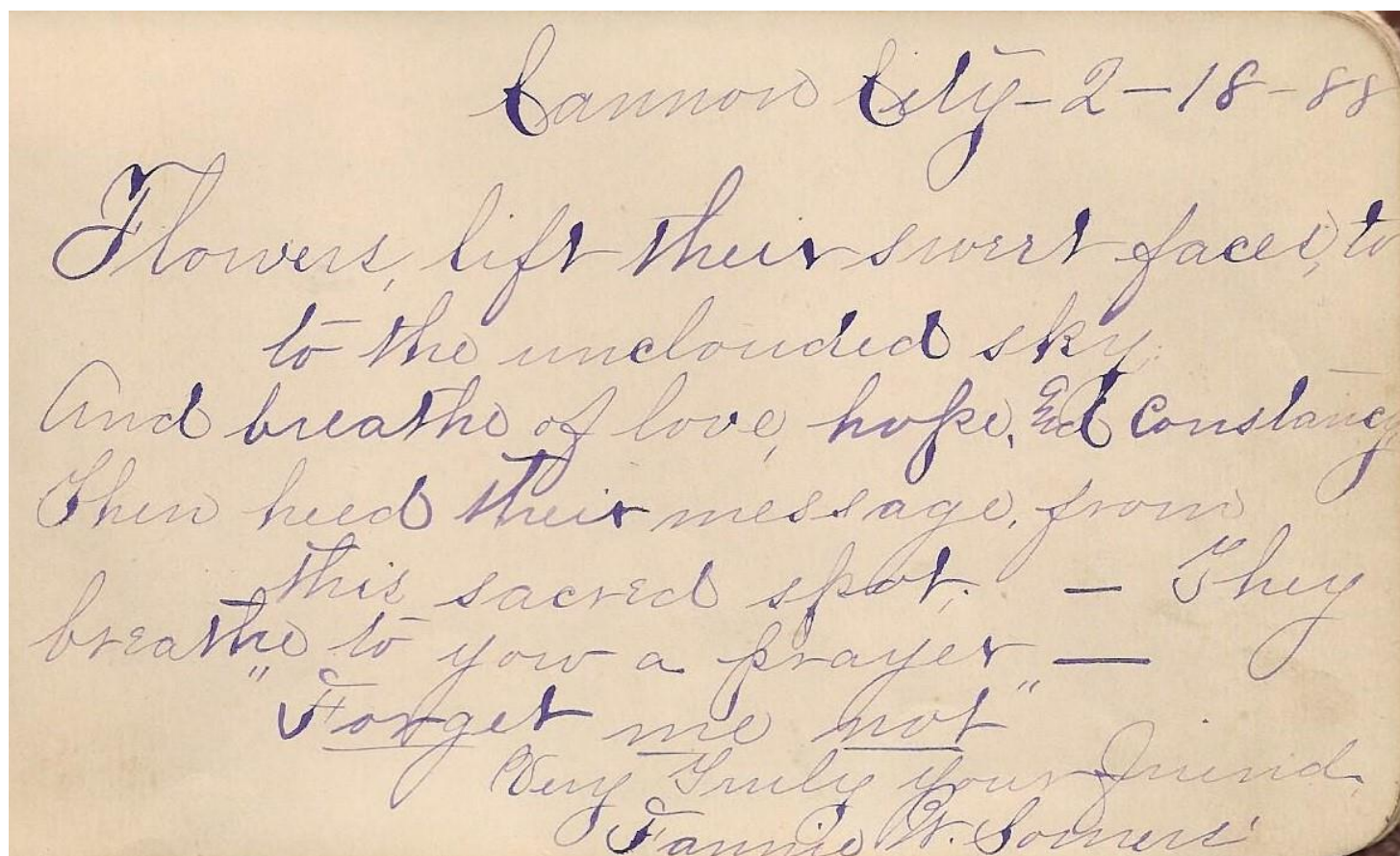
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Fannie W. Somers:



Lanndon City - 2-18-88
Flowers, lift their sweet faces, to
to the unclouded sky;
And breathe of love, hope, & constancy,
Then heed their message, from
this sacred spot. — They
breathe to you a prayer —
"Forget me not"
Very Truly your friend,
Fannie W. Somers

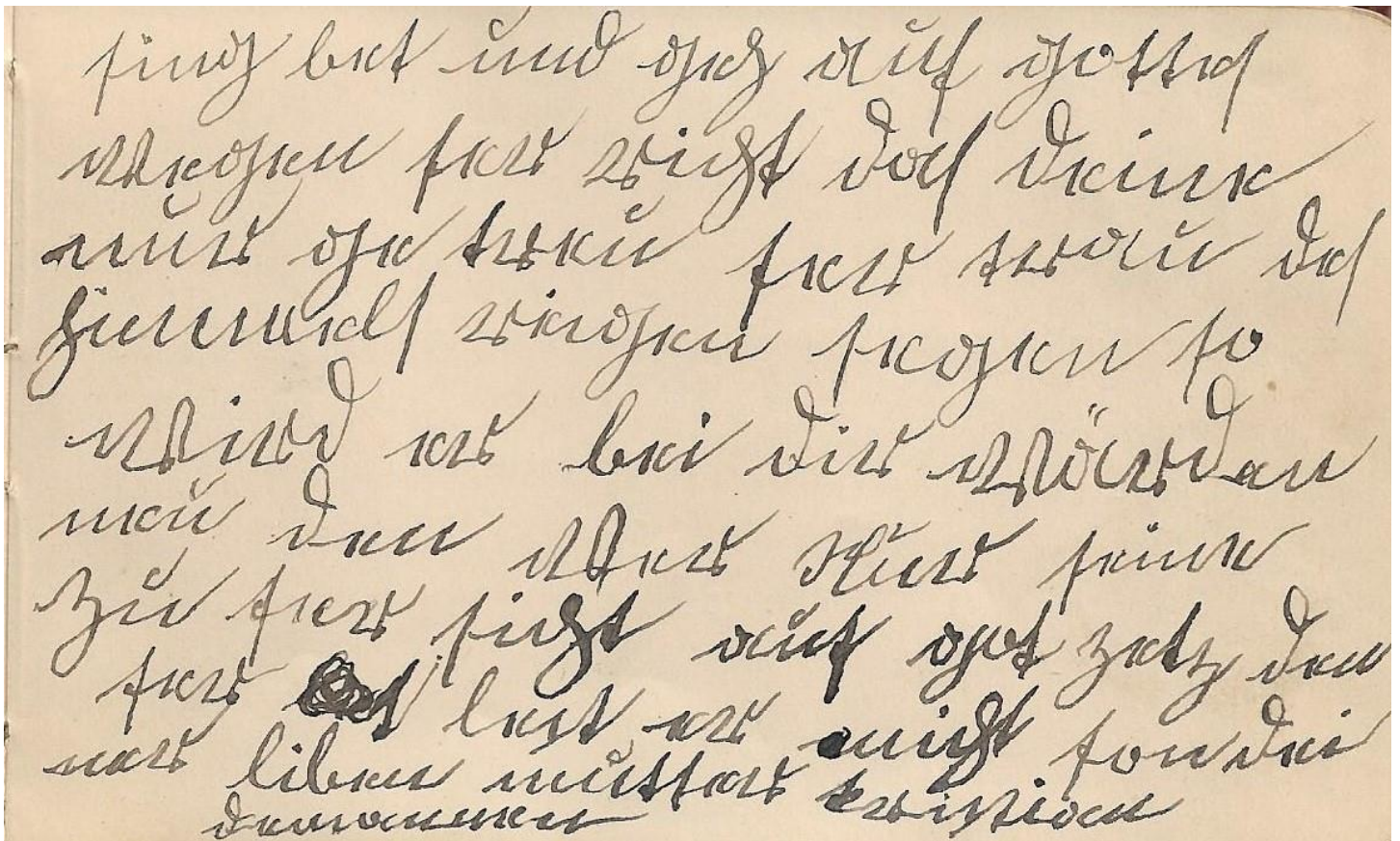
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The following is one more of Kristiane Demann's entries in the autograph book:

Kristiane Demann:



The image shows a page of handwritten text in German, written in a cursive script. The text is arranged in approximately 10 lines, filling most of the page. The ink is dark, and the paper appears aged and slightly yellowed. The handwriting is fluid and characteristic of the late 19th century.

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“Sing, pray and walk on God’s path: Carry out yours faithfully,
trust heaven’s abundant blessing, so it will become new with you.
For only he who puts his confidence in God, won’t be forsaken.
by your loving mother Kristiane Demann.”

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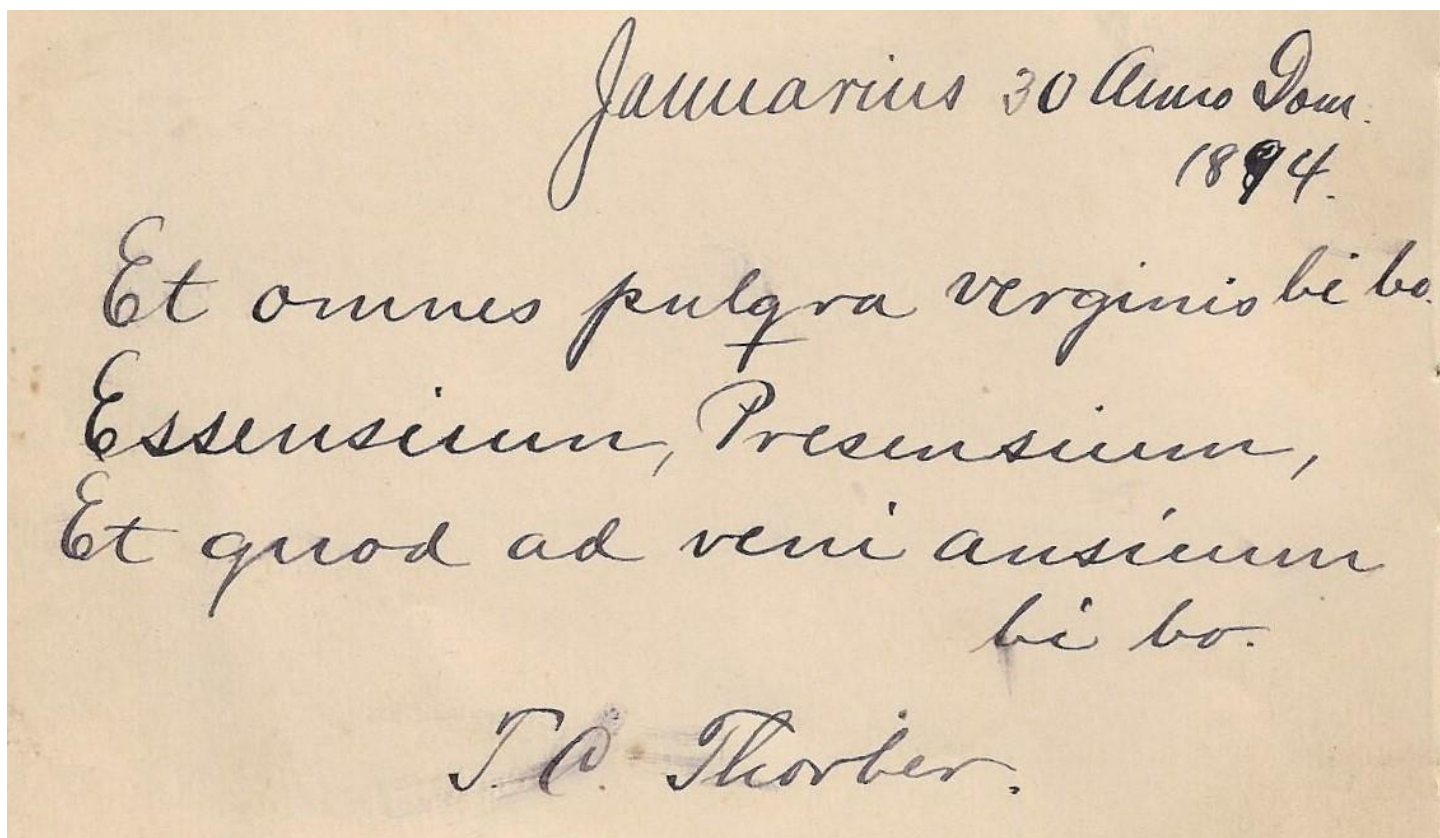
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Januarius 30 Anno Dom.
1894.
Et omnes pulgra virginis bi bo.
Essensium, Presensium,
Et quod ad veri ansium
bi bo.
J. C. Thorber.

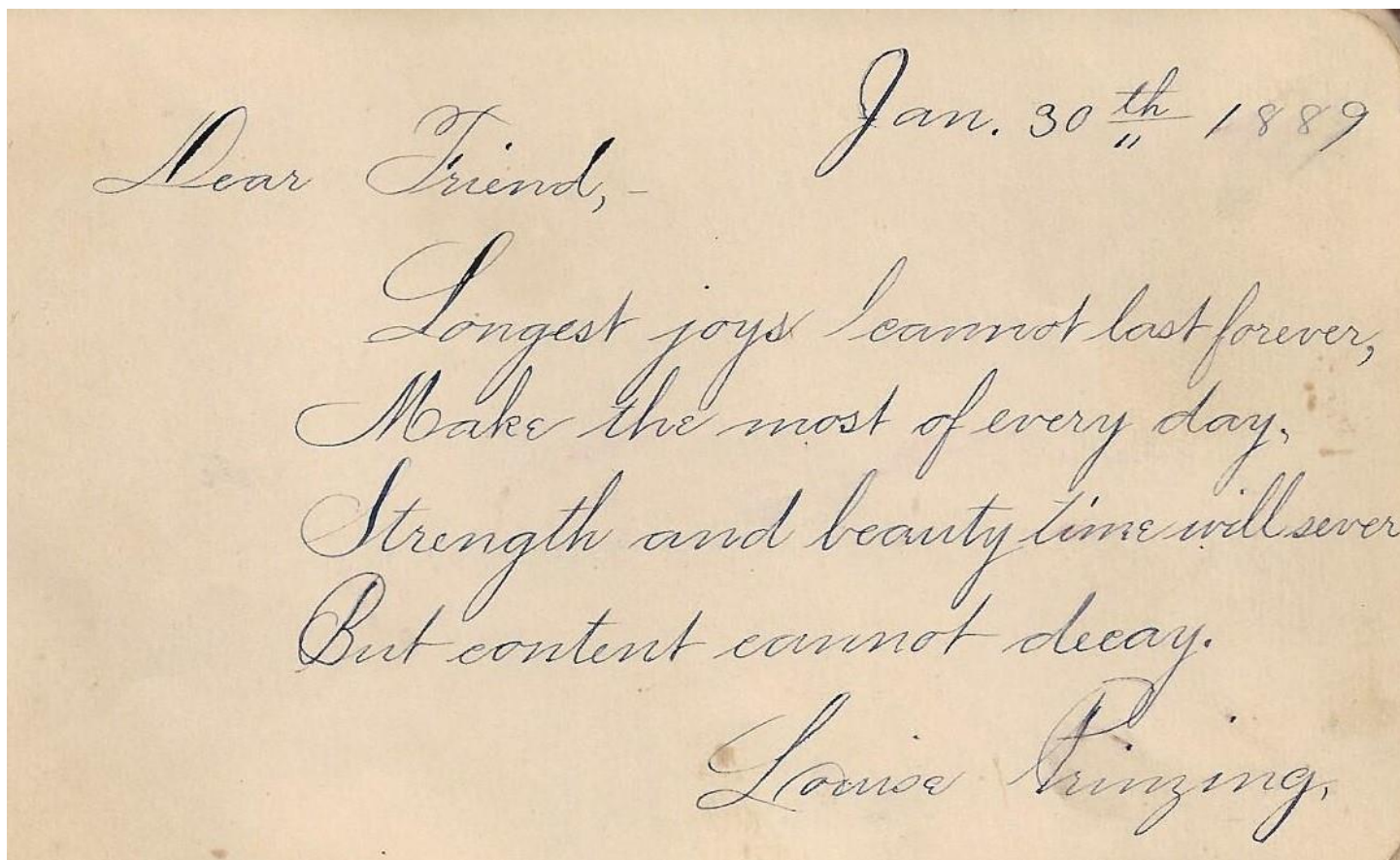
NOTE: This was written in the Latin language of which I have no translation attempt.

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Louisa Prinzing:



Dear Friend, - Jan. 30th 1889

Longest joys cannot last forever,
Make the most of every day,
Strength and beauty time will sever
But content cannot decay.

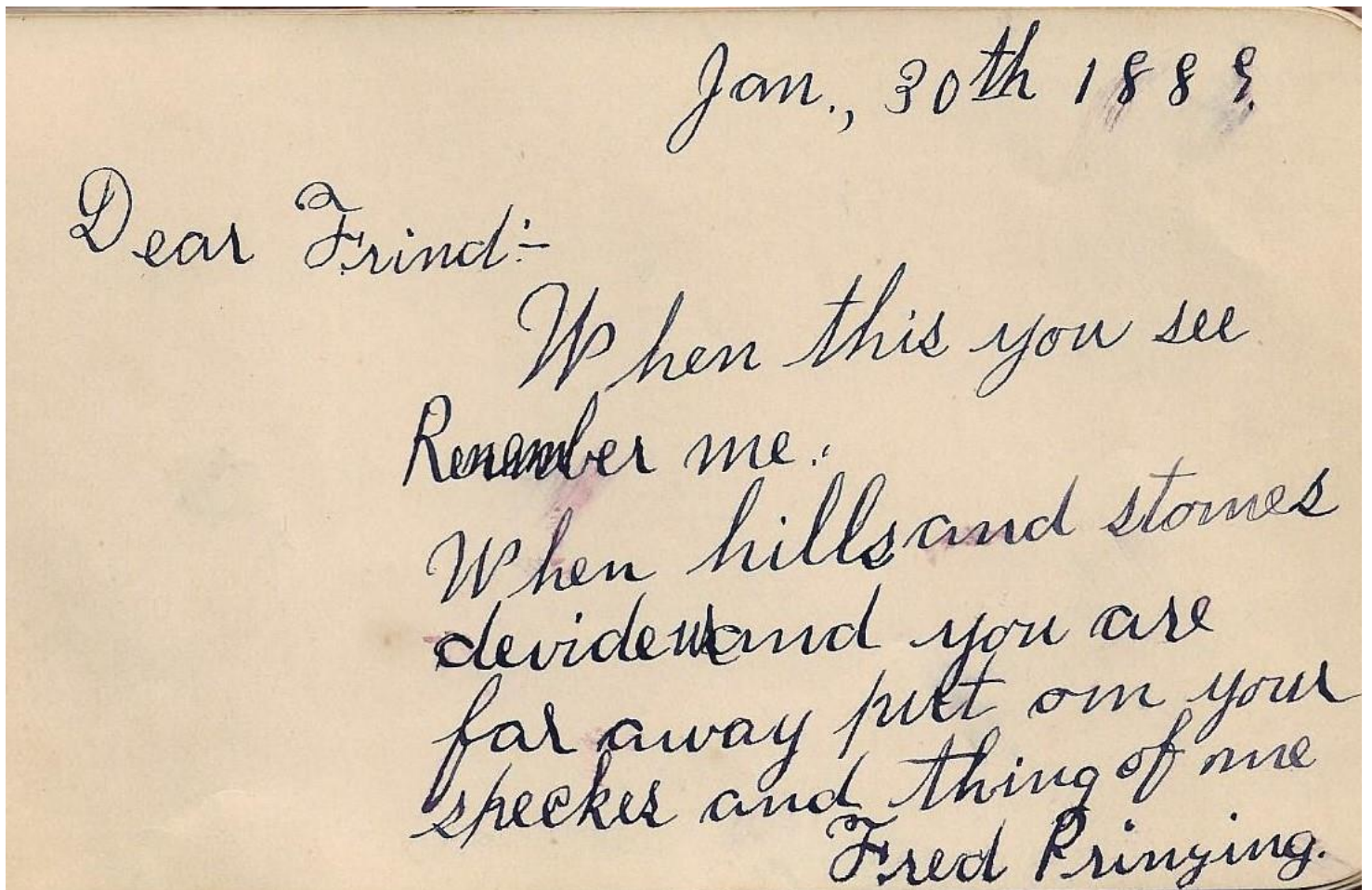
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Jan., 30th 1888.

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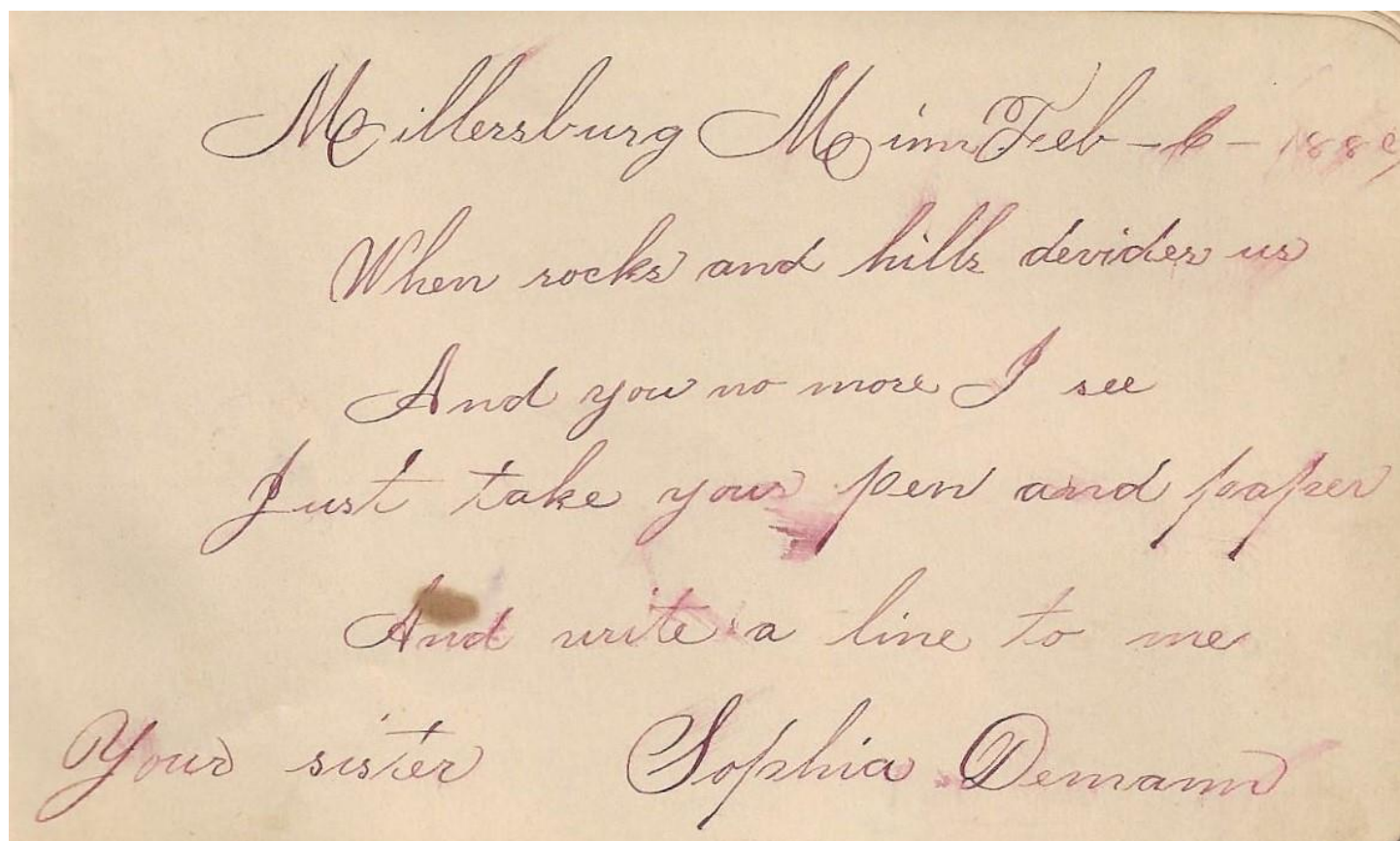
When this you see
Remember me.
When hills and stones
divide and you are
far away put on your
specker and think of me
Fred Prinzing.

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Sophia Demann:



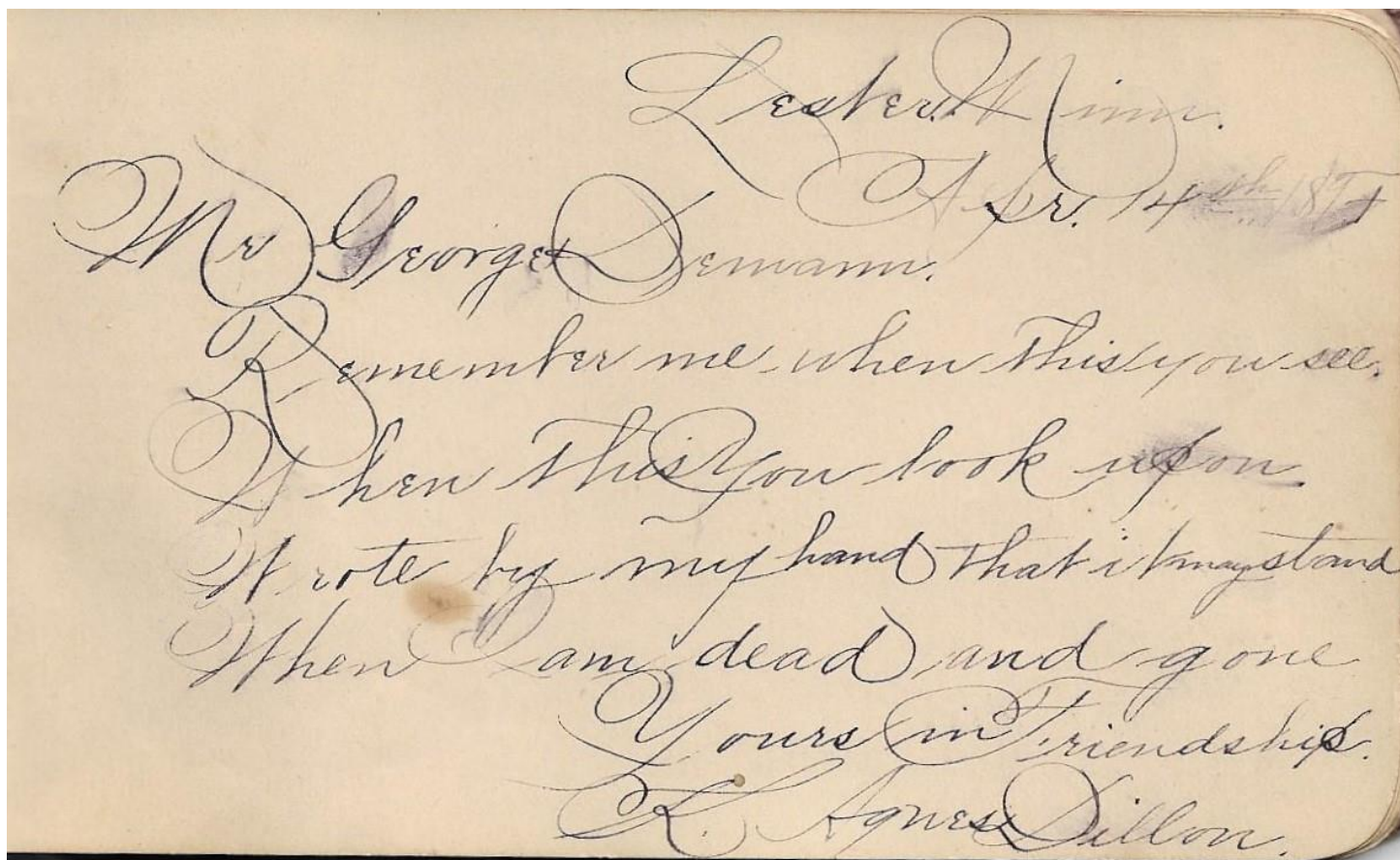
Millersburg Mo. in Feb - 6 - 1880
When rocks and hills divide us
And you no more I see
Just take your pen and paper
And write a line to me
Your sister Sophia Demann

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K. Agnes Dillon:

A photograph of a handwritten note on aged, cream-colored paper. The text is written in a cursive script. At the top right, it says 'Lester Mine.' followed by 'Apr. 14th 1877'. The main body of the note is addressed to 'Mr George Demann.' and contains a request to be remembered. The note ends with 'Yours in friendship.' and the signature 'K. Agnes Dillon.'

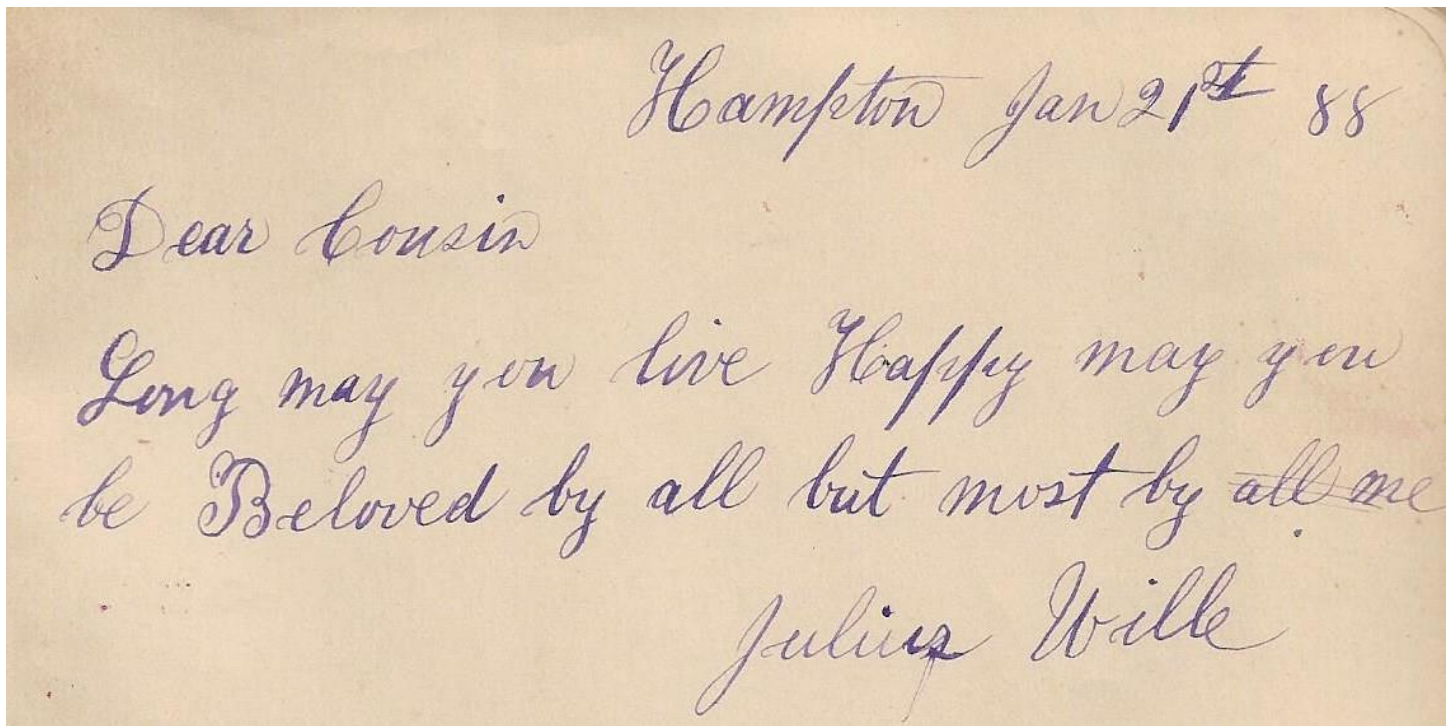
Lester Mine.
Apr. 14th 1877
Mr George Demann.
Remember me when this you see,
When this you look upon,
I wrote by my hand that it may stand
When I am dead and gone
Yours in friendship.
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Julius Wille:

A photograph of a handwritten letter on aged, yellowish paper. The text is written in a cursive script. The date 'Hampton Jan 21st 88' is written in the upper right corner. The salutation 'Dear Cousin' is on the left. The main body of the letter contains a blessing: 'Long may you live Happy may you be Beloved by all but most by all me'. The signature 'Julius Wille' is at the bottom right.

Hampton Jan 21st 88

Dear Cousin

Long may you live Happy may you
be Beloved by all but most by all me

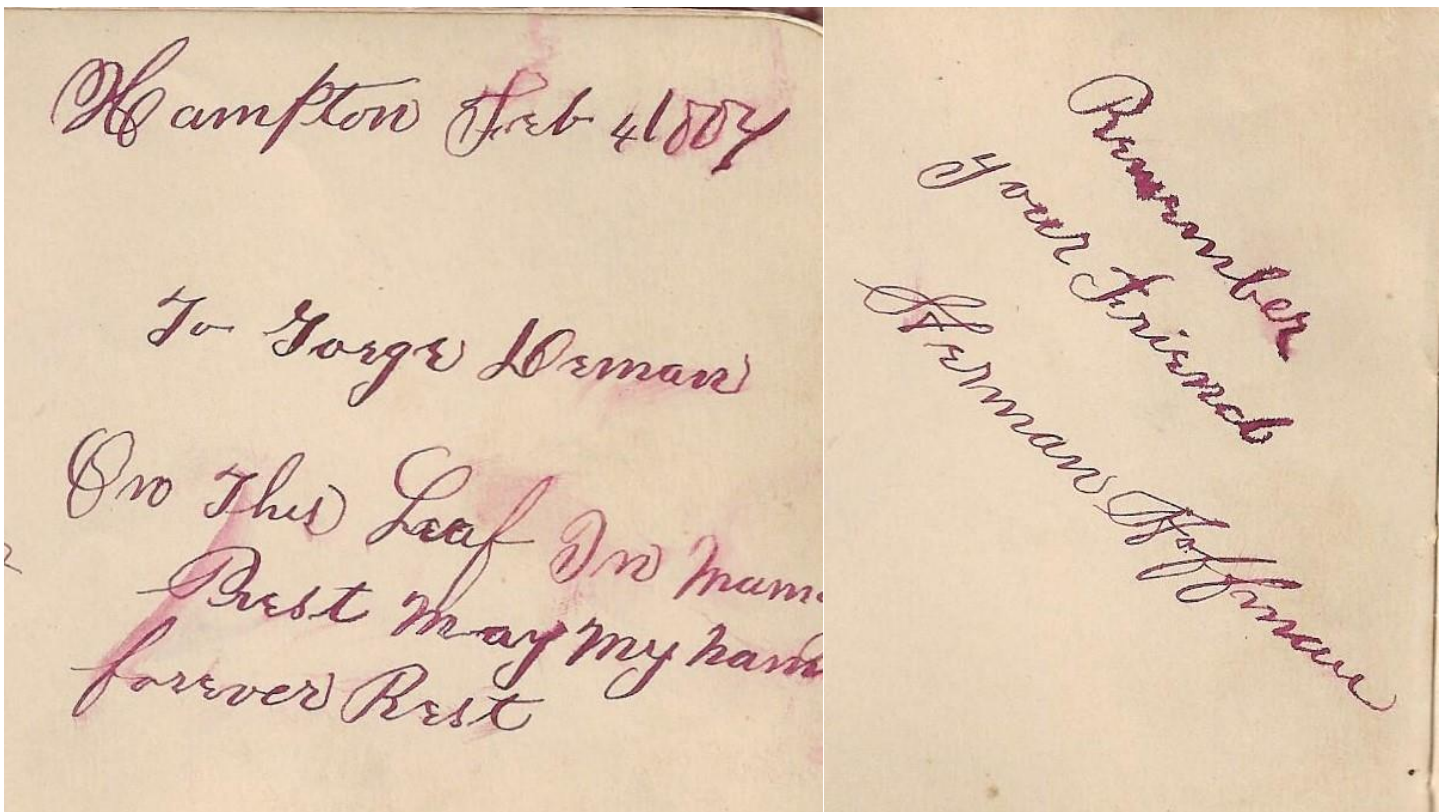
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All on one page:

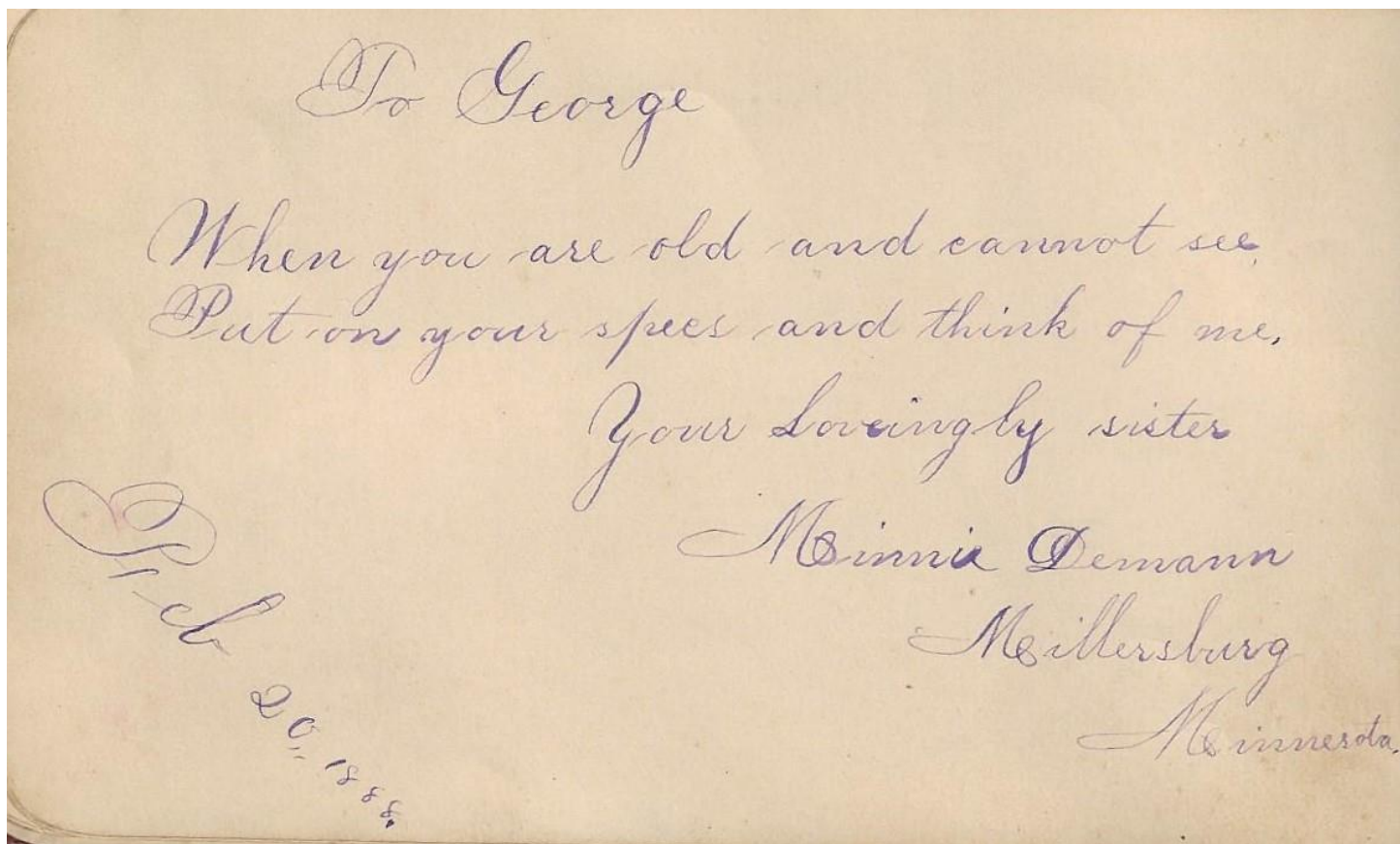


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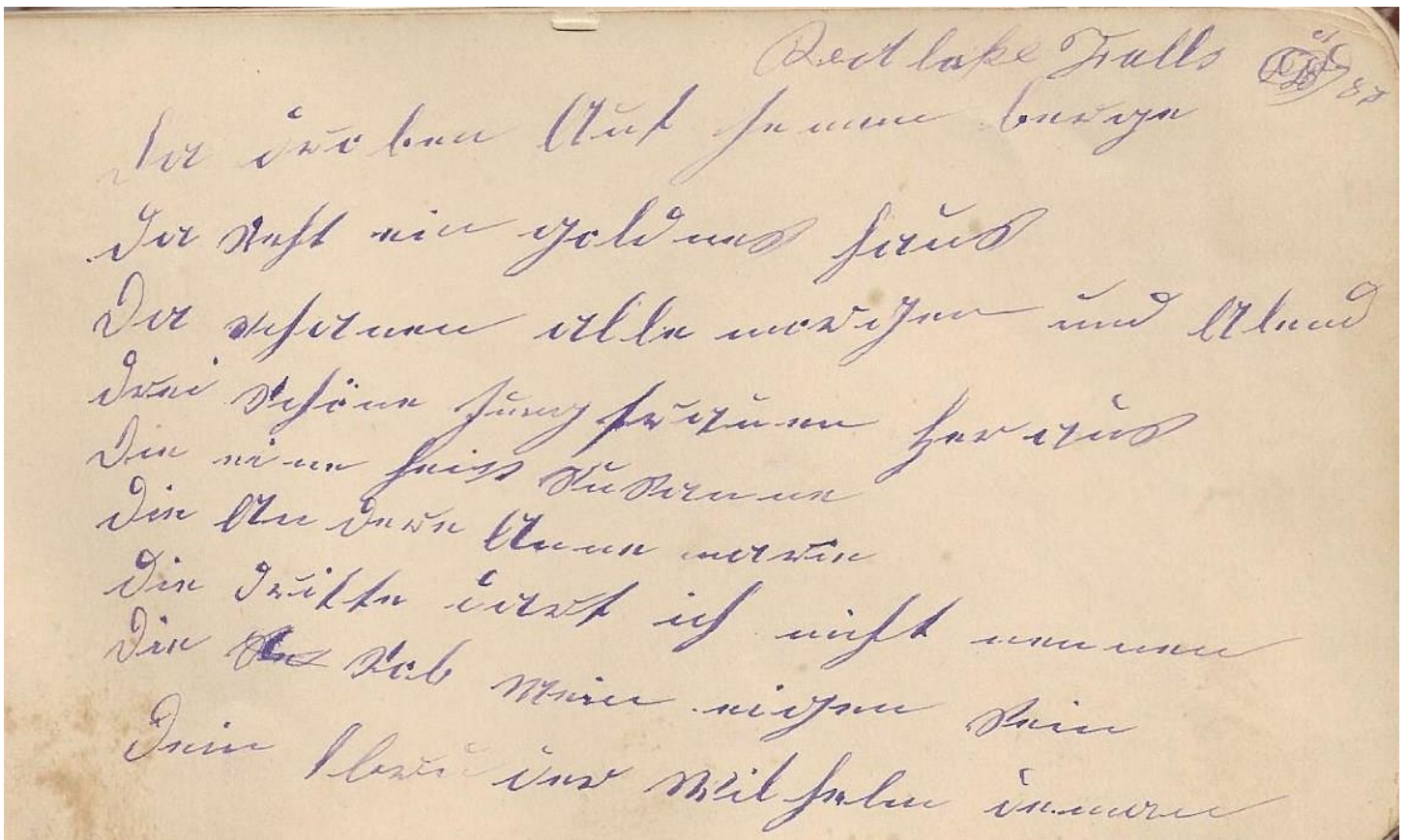


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Wilhelm Demann:



Deer Lake Falls
D.P. 57

Der süßliche Duft junger Lärche
Der Duft wie goldnes Licht
Der Duft wie alle weichen und blauen
Der Duft wie junger Frühling
Der Duft wie die Blumen
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The following is that of Wilelm Demann's entry in the autograph book:

"Redlake Falls [...] 87

There on this mountain

there is a golden house

there, every morning and every evening

three beautiful virgins look out

One is called Susanne

the other one Anne Marie

I mustn't name the third one

she shall be mine

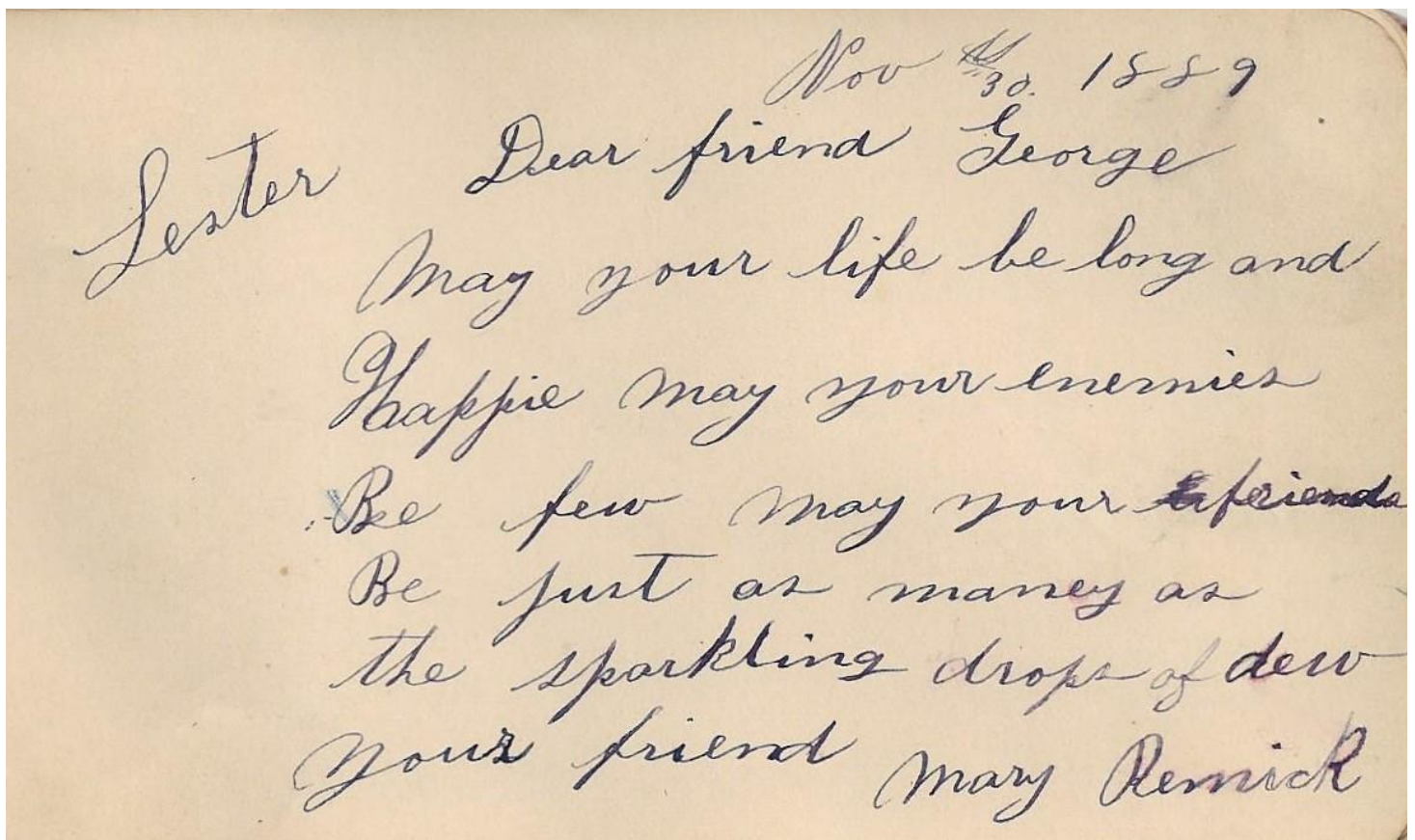
Your Brother Wilhelm Demann"

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Mary Remick:



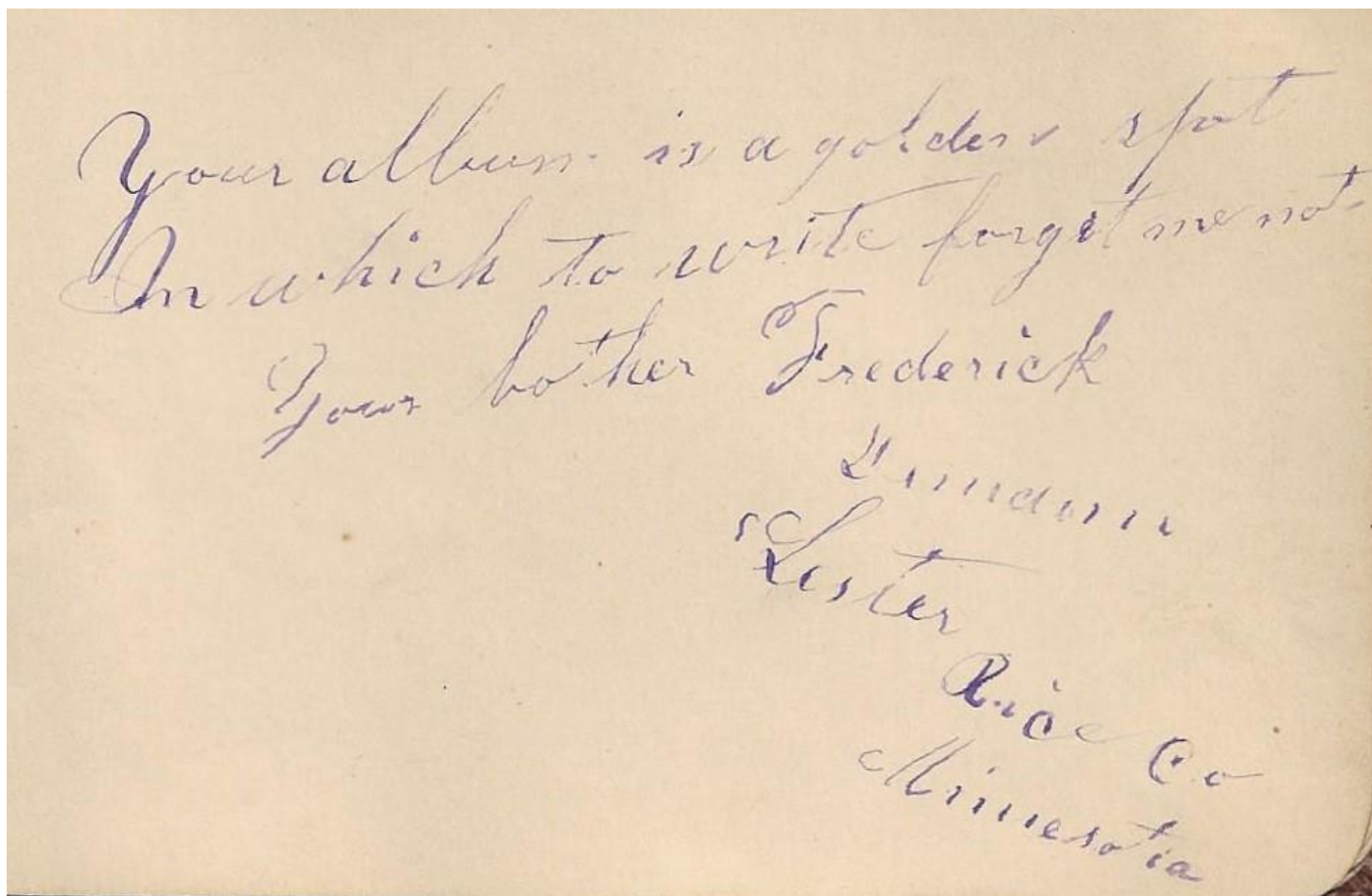
Nov 30. 1889
Lester Dear friend George
May your life be long and
Happy may your enemies
Be few may your friends
Be just as many as
The sparkling drops of dew
Your friend Mary Remick

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Frederick Demann:



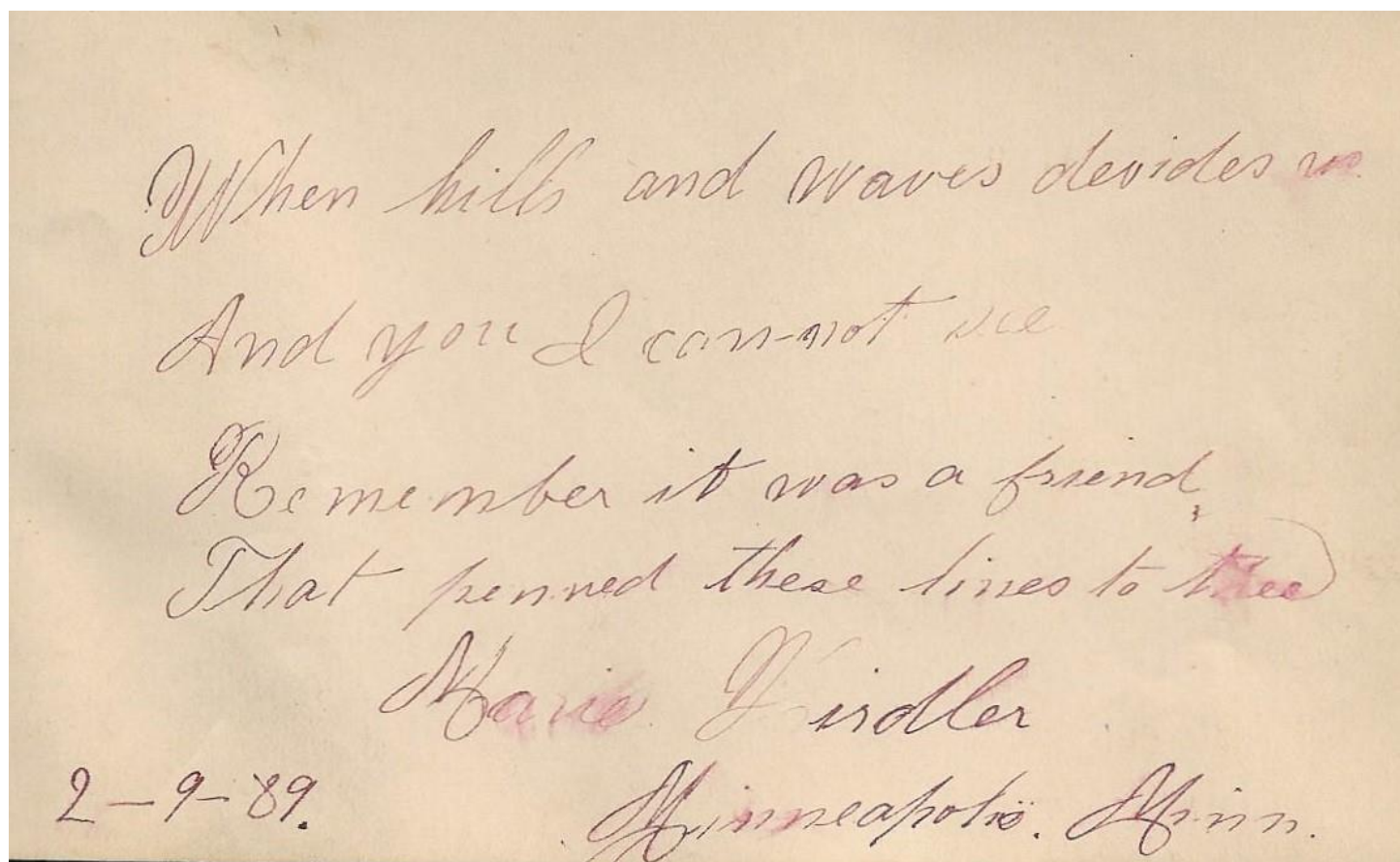
Your album is a golden spot
In which to write forget me not
Your brother Frederick
Demann
Lester
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Marie Hirdler:

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And you I can-not see
Remember it was a friend
That penned these lines to thee
Marie Hirdler
2-9-89. Minneapolis. Minn." The word "Minneapolis" is written in a slightly larger and more decorative hand than the rest of the text.

When hills and waves divides us
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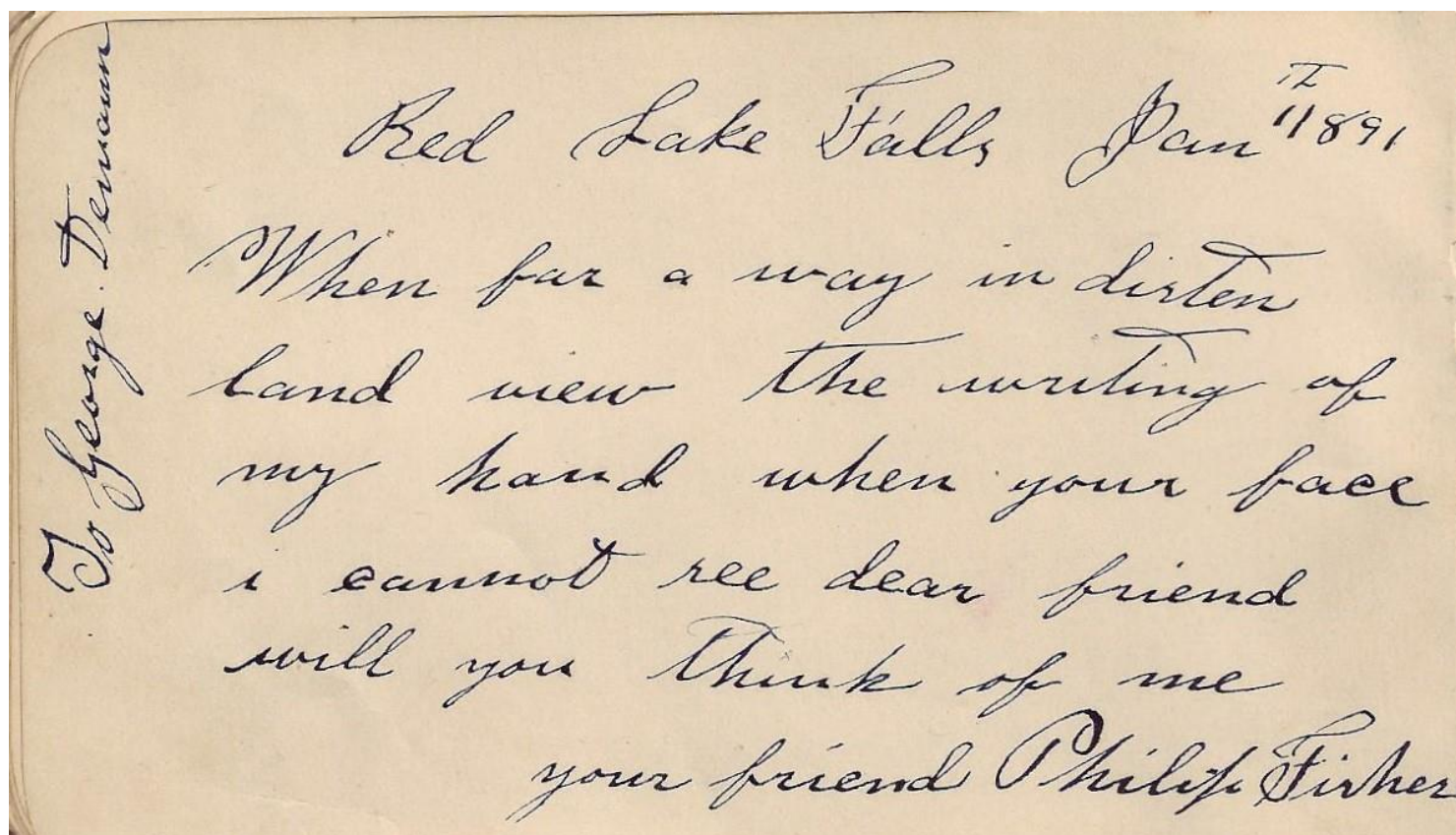
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Philip Fisher:



To George Demann

Red Lake Falls Jan¹⁷ 1891

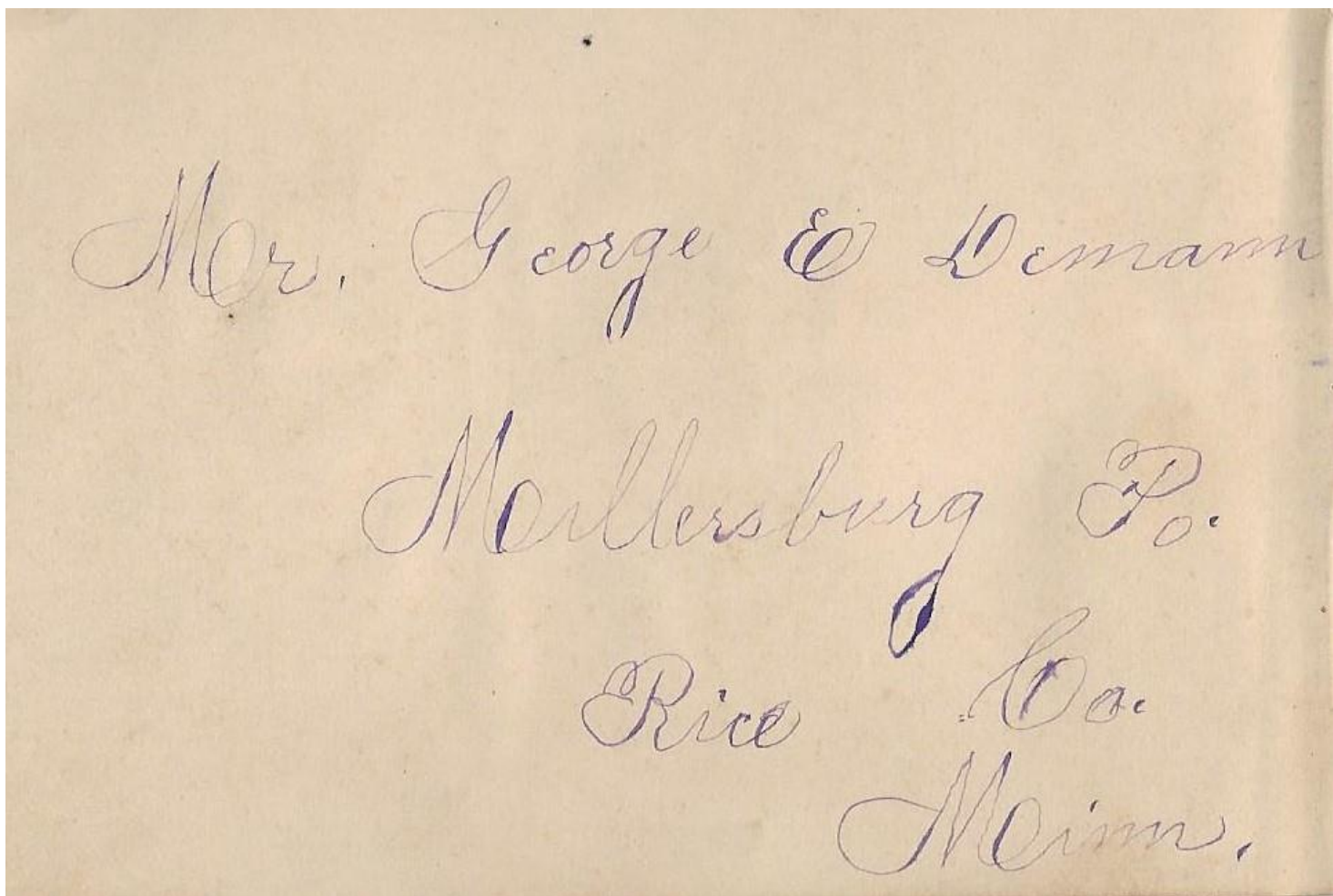
When far a way in distant
land view the writing of
my hand when your face
I cannot see dear friend
will you think of me
your friend Philip Fisher

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George E. Demann:



Mr. George E. Demann
Mullersburg Pa.
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Last entry

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BACK COVER

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See following pages for an "ARTICLE BY THE AUTHOR"

ARTICLE BY THE AUTHOR

There is some confusion upon who George Demann is, so let me continue by what is of record and what the Autograph Book confirms:

1. The first page of this Autograph Book have George Demann's signature with no **E.** for a middle initial and the last page has a signature of George **E.** Demann. If you look closely you will find that these signatures appear to be from the same individual.
2. The Autograph Book states that through a translation from German to English that George Demann's mother was Kristine Demann of whom we have no record of!
3. The Autograph Book has the writings of two sisters and two brothers all of whom we do have records of and they are as follows:

A. **SOPHIA DEMANN** born: 1865 in RICE COUNTY- MINNESOTA

Surname: **DEMANN**

Married Name: **REMICK (HENRY)**

Name: **SOPHIA** Other Possible Spelling: **SOPHIE**

Interred Name: **REMICK**

Middle Name If Any:

Gender: **FEMALE**

Date of Birth: **MARCH 27, 1865**

Place of Birth: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Date of Death: **MAY 25, 1932**

Place of Death: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Place of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Plot Number: **36h**

B. **MINNIE DEMANN** born: 1872 in RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA

C. **WILLIAM DEMANN** born: AUGUST 1855 in HANOVER, GERMANY

Surname: **DEMANN**

Given Name: **WILLIAM**

Middle Name If Any:

Gender: **MALE**

Date of Birth: **AUGUST 1855**

Place of Birth: **HANOVER, GERMANY**

Date of Death: **JULY 12, 1939**

Place of Death: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Place of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA** Plot Number: **10i/j**

D. **FREDERICK DEMANN** born: 1861 in RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA

Surname: **DEMANN**

Given Name: **FREDERICK** NOTE: STONE SPELLING IS **FREDRICK**

Middle Name If Any:

Gender: **MALE**

Date of Birth: **AUGUST 25, 1861**

Place of Birth: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Date of Death: **SEPTEMBER 9, 1889** NOTE: STONE SAYS 1888

Place of Death: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Place of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Plot Number: **23J/K**

Continued on the following page:

All four of the individuals above have the same mother and father, that being **JOHANNA HEINEMEIR** and **CHRISTIAN DEMANN**. This brings us to who is **Kristiane Demann**? The name Kristiane could be a middle name, a nick name or the translation could be wrong! We will probably never know.

In any event, many of the hand writings found in this book are of the very individuals interred in the German Union Cemetery.

Ronald R. Prinzing