

Appila

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The love of God as a greeting!

Dear Mrs Zwar,

I received your dear letter. I wanted to write long ago, but there was no time! My sister Clara is now married on the 3rd September. It was a big wedding and we had a lot of work with it. She married Ernst Edwards in the Church of England in Yarrowie. Dear Mrs Zwar we are not very happy that as a member of our Lutheran Church went over? to the Church of England. We were not very pleased, although all churches belong to the Lord, we must not look down on them. I feel a little lonely now, but my Mother is much better, she can help me now. Clara left us on the 8th September on Monday. They travelled to Melbourne to the sister Wilhelmine Fechner and then they go to Tasmania where Ernst has a sister. She wore a white lustre (cream) bridal gown and so did the 2 bridesmaids the bridegroom's sister and I were the 2 extra couples. I'd like to write more but I told Bertha everything and she will show you her letter. It is getting very late for my eyes.

My dear brother Friederich was not here at the wedding, as he was at the Brook [Crystal Brook] show. When there, he got a heart turn, he was very bad, and he had to stay there! He is much better now, thank God. He is home now. That is the run of the world. Pleasure and sorrow go together, but we've got to take it as it is no good to have only pleasure. What would our hearts be like!

Dear Mrs Zwar, I was so sorry to hear you had a bad leg with a lot of pain. I sincerely hope you will be better soon.

Our dear Pastor Ortenburger's were quite well last Sunday. The Missionary, Mr. and Mrs Hoh were there for a few weeks. Our Pastor is in the South for a Synod.

Now many greetings to you and Mr. Zwar from Father and me

With God's blessings

Your friend Ida Klemm.

P.S. Please excuse bad writing and mistakes!

English Translation

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