

Mr. Sabella's Family
Mercer County

Pa

Friendship Oct the 5th 1858

Dear Friend

We wait ourselves of the present
privilege of addressing a few lines to inform you
that we received your kind letter of the 15th
of September - last Friday & we was glad to
hear from you - one more that we was quite
sorry to hear of your afflictions we was very
sorry to hear that your affectionate Mother is
no more numbered among the inhabitants of
earth - but we trust that your loss is her in-
finite gain - for we trust she is gone to
that rest that remains for the people of
God - she will now be back to you
yet if you but follow her footsteps you and we will
finally meet in Heaven

We are glad to inform you that we are all
well at present & we hope that you will
be in the enjoyment of the same great blessing
when this comes to hand

You desired us to inform you how many children
we have - we would answer that part of your
letter by stating that we have four living
and four dead - the names of those now living is
as follows viz - the eldest is named Edward
Davis, next Mary Frances next John Calvin &
the youngest which is two years old we call
Henry Russell