

when grown with her great deformity
I was glad to hear of Missy's recovery
She too must have suffered greatly.
Hope that all are well now.

Is your leg the proper length or is
it shorter than the other? I have
asked this question before but it has
not been answered. I feared this,
though was not certain as to the
fact either way. There was so much
pain about the joint and in the
muscles of the joint that I feared
that there was a slow inflammation
going on in the bone, that, would
produce a shortening of the leg
by a change in the location of the
joint; but always hoped that I
might be in error as to this.

Write me all about this matter
in your next letter. Best love
to all the family.

Very Sincerely
M. W. Boyd

Jackson, Missi, March 3rd, 1884
Gen W. J. Withers,
Lexington Ky

Dear Cousin;

I received a newspaper
with a masked paragraph noticing Dr
Stockdell's condition, and was surprised
to hear that he was suffering with any
disease of the kidneys as I asked him
about them and he told me that they
were all right. I thought him aff-
-ected with malarial disease with torpor
of liver as he said that nothing was the
matter with his kidneys. I was sorry
to hear of his suffering and am very
certain that he will not recover, though
I have cured many cases of this disease
after other Drs gave their cases up to
die. I treated them by subduing the
inflammation of the kidneys by leeches,
hot poultices &c. and the use of tartar
emetic and Opium together with free