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To: Andrew Burdett <andrew@ournorthernroots.com>
Date: 09 Mar '11 13:06
Subject: Re: [burdittreunion] Family Heirloom

Thank you for keeping us informed. Seeing the quilt was very interesting!

Hope you and yours are all well, as we are.

Thanks again,
Sue

On Mar 8, 2011, at 8:52 PM, Andrew Burdett wrote:

> With the recent sad news posted through the burdittreunion emailing list. I thought I send along an interesting note. I was recently made aware of an interesting family heirloom from the Russell side of the family (a lot of you on this mailing list are a descendant of the Russell's and Burdett's - Charles M. Burdett and Frank M. Burdett married Russell sisters, Mary and Anna, daughters of Harrison Russell).
>
> Alan Munro in Juneau Alaska was gracious to send along a picture of a quilt made by Eleanor Dow Russell (1806-1854) - mother of Harrison Russell. Having the picture of the quilt is particularly special, because we know very little about her and have no photo of Eleanor as she died rather young and before photographs were a common place.
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> With the picture of the quilt is a photo of a letter written by Anna(Russell)Bennett, daughter of Lewis Russel (brother of Harrison).
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> I would like to add that if anyone has other family heirlooms or letters, I would love to add photos of them to the website for all to appreciate.
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> Click on the following link to Eleanor's page for the picture of this quilt your ancestor made over 175 years ago.
> <http://www.ournorthernroots.com/getperson.php?personID=I136&tree=family001>
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> Andrew Burdett - Dayton, TX
> www.ournorthernroots.com
> www.BurdettDNA.org

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My dear Mildred: —

Am so very sorry
not to be able to come to
your house today. Would be
pleased to see your family
and all friends who will
meet there.

I am sending you a gift
that I think more of than
anything that came to me
from the Russell family —

This quilt was made
by Eleanor Dow Russell
your great-grandmother
She was born in 1786 and
married in 1834. I can't
give the year the quilt
was made but it was be-
fore her marriage.

I've had this for eighteen
years and it's been a
real source of happiness
to me.

Excuse pencil as there
is no ink in the house.
Guess I threw it out last
fall so it wouldn't freeze
and make a mess.

My love and all good
wishes for the future to
yourself and Lewis.

Anna,

