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# **Ellen Stetson journal**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
<b>Title</b>	Ellen Stetson journal
<b>Date</b>	1821
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## **Biographical Note**

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Ellen Stetson was born March 30, 1783, in Kingston, Massachusetts. She travelled to Arkansas with Nancy Brown to become a teacher at Dwight Mission located near Russellville, Arkansas, on Illinois Creek. The trip began on September 3, 1821, and she arrived at the mission December 22, 1821. Stetson served at the mission until her death on December 29, 1848.

Dwight Mission, the first Protestant mission to be established in Arkansas, was commissioned by the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions (ABCFM), a Presbyterian organization. Begun by Cephas Washburn and Alfred Finney in 1819, the mission ran a boarding school for Cherokee children, and at its peak, taught 100 students. After the Cherokee removal, the mission moved to Indian Territory.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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The entries in this journal document Ellen Stetson's journey in 1821 with Nancy Brown to Dwight Mission near Russellville, Arkansas, from Brimfield, Massachusetts.

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## **Administrative Information**

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