

Great Bend, Kans. April 27-1908
Mrs Linda Deane

Dear Mother & Family
we were all surprised and glad
to see you we read your
letters we are all well but
Cadd's Helen and Mabel have
not been very well hope
you are all well Edna's folks
are all well
you would visit us this
Summer and see the country
its fine to look at Jack is
still in the store we have
moved 4 blocks west of
main St are no. now is

1017, Murphy St. The children
 are still in school will be
 till the 3rd of June Bess and
 Mabel will sing in the choir
 next Sunday at the
 church their Sunday school
 class Easter Sunday of 35
 scholars had an offering of
 \$49.25cts the offering of the
 whole school netted \$111
 and some cents the different
 classes were making a
 prize and their class got
 it just a class of girls
 from 12 to 15 yrs of age
 Bethel is out at mimmies
 her baby is growing like
 a weed mands baby is
 a great big boy

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They were all in Easter
we are all going to get
our pictures before long
and you shall have one
did you get one of the girls
wedding pictures or not
They both have good men
and good to them so far
any way, well I am
mimic. I. Friday I am
going to write you a
letter some day.

No I havent any
chickens nor any garden
made yet I havent any
Beans to plant and so

much of the time when
 a person buys seed beans
 they are tough & am going
 to try to buy me a few
 pole beans & I have such
 a good place for them to
 come on a fence the tomatoes
 you get here are so small
 & overly and don't bear good
 if you have more tomato
 plants than you need
~~in any of the stages~~
 then if you will send
 me a doz. or 2 you may
 think strange but Subvans
 never even told me she got
 those seed and all the
 flowers and thing they got

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I told her to bring me
some luster lilies and
she brought a good supply
and all she gave me was
them white star flowers
and 1 little bleeding heart
and 1 fern and all she
brought 1 yr ago I never
got a one so you see I
dont feel like begging I would
have to be hungrier than
I ever was before I would
beg when you sent me
them tomato seed I divided
with her and just as
my tomatoes were beginning

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To turn we moved they
were the finest I've seen
Mr. Kant's Silvana had
some fine ones that
yr but never offered
me a one she gave me
some green ones last
fall and I brought some
of those Brown Bunch beans
with me I have given her
twice of them and Mimmie
I. twice and they neither
one saved any seed to
share I have one little
handfull of them yet
I am going to plant them
and if I lose out I'll be
out you may think by

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this that we dont get
along but we havent had
any trouble our girls
dont chum much I dont
know why only this
when myrtle went into
the milliner store
they told an old lady
friend of theirs that my
girls were so lazy ~~and~~
and a great pack of stuff
was the reason we never
had any thing and so
wasteful so this old lady
comes and asks myrtle
Boss if she wasent lazy

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and made her promise
not too tell it and
told her cell that was
told her the Boss comes
and tells myrtle and I.
and of course I know it
must have been true or
else they would not have
known any thing about
some things but they
dont know she ever told
it do you know such
as that dont make me
mad any more I only
live trusting in god and
am at peace with my maker
I dont care what the world
says I try to live right

I try to walk & I have no
 fear of god. Sometimes
 I take a cry when I know I
 have been censured for
 things I am not guilty of
 but I do not owe the parties
 the least grudge I would
 rather lose all this world
 goods than lose that
 happy contented peace
 with god
 What does her name
 and her hubby his is
 he a pretty good man
 how is lindy does she
 look older than she did

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Uncle B. is at Chicago
yet is to be home in
may Myrtle is still
in the milliner store
at \$5.⁰⁰ per week eyes I would
like to tell you about
Ethel's fellow we have had
so much fun about if I
could tell it. you would
laugh to she met a boy
a little bit of a fellow
about 20 and had an introdu-
ction to him then right
away she got a card in
an envelope the mail man
brought it and only one
cent on it so Ethel wasn't
there so I had to burst

a quarter to pay that
pennie thought I was
getting something so I
was fooled again then
in a few days ^{she} got an-
other card and then a letter
wanting her to go to a
show with him and
wanting her to come up
town Sat. to tell him
so she said she believed
she would send them
back so to speak she got
on top the fence and
did not know which way
to fall so I just pushed

her off by sealing them up
and sending them back and
written on his letter that
I wasent at all interested and
he had better save his
postage and spend it where
it would do him more
good so he fired a letter
back and he didnt
want her no way and he
was like the nigger
when the rabbit got
away from him you
knew it was gone you
cant get it any way
oh yes I done the writing
and signed her name you
can bet we had a laugh so

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Long hair
reaching out
your face
full face
about 5-0
of your
of your
the sun
tell me

that is enang...
I will look for you and
...
in a week or two now
for I know you cant read
all this and you will
have to bring it to
me to read
well how is eva does she
weave any more do they
still live on the old place
how is bob and stella and
their baby how is many
she never said to in
that letter tell lucy if
I dont send my letter off

before myrtle gets time
 to write she will write
 to her how is uncle fielding
 tell them hello for me
 So I cant think of any
 thing more to write
 Jane Riley to write how
 is her and John getting
 along are they as hard
 run as ever if you see
 her tell her to write
 I havent but two more
 sheets of paper but
 cant think of any thing
 to fill them its think
 much speak little and
 write less but I guess
 Ive made a fool of my self
 this time Harry

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Great Bend Kansas
April 27, 08

Mrs. Harriet O. Stone

Dear Cousin

I will write you
from time to time
to your most kind
and welcome letter

We received a few
days ago was surely
glad to hear from you

and to get your
kind wishes they
are good of you

Well Harriet and
I are out on the farm
and the girls are
keeping house in town

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We are not going to
move the house as we
had on the farm and

the little girls can
go to school till it
out in town and then
they can come out
and stay until we
get the farm
landed and Harriet
and I will have

We will go in the
shack to ~~the~~
the rest of the summer
well I mean the wheat
is looking fine and
I hope of ~~the~~ having
any rain but we have

Had a good rains lately
and we have fine prospects
of fruit etc.

and is going to commence
planting Corn this
week we are now

cutting the ground
now. We bought a

Span of Black Hairs
we paid \$2.80 for them
we have 6 Head of Horses

now and will do very
well so far with
wheat coming ahead

the one will take water
& teams there it takes

lots of horses in harness
well Harnie I haven't washed
my Breakfast since Oct. 1st

Bowling Green, Ky.
April, 25, 1908.

Rowland H. Railey,
Tompkinsville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Railey:—

I would have thought that you would have, at least, shown me the courtesy of writing once more. Let me assure you, just ~~now~~, that I'm not writing this for the purpose of renewing our correspondence but only to say a few things that I might have said to you as a friend a month ago had you been more frank with me. I thought I knew when you left

we could never be more than friends. In fact, I had never expected us to be more, yet I could always have cherished a deeper admiration for you, had you been frank and brave enough to have said when you left, or sent a note afterward saying, that you did not care to continue the correspondence.

Some of my young men friends have told me it was a very difficult thing to "break off" with some young ladies. I suppose ~~you~~ judged me ~~one~~ of that kind and thought the sooner, the better. If all young men were brave enough to be sincere at such times they might find priceless friendship in that one and save themselves much worry.

When I answered your ad I never believed you were really wanting a wife but supposed you were seeking pastime, hence my reply. I never thought we'd see each other again unless by accident as heretofore. I beg your pardon for trespassing when I knew at the time I did not fill the bill. ha! ha!

I believe you were so shocked at me being frank enough to tell you of my inheritance that you halfway believed a cog wheel loose on my own head before you left. My Dear, there are a few honest and sincere people in the world who are perfectly sane.

Be careful that you don't get a woman who will set your head a whizzing ere six months. ha! ha!

While I consider my inheritance an unfortunate one, I want you to know that I'm proud of my family name. I'm no doubt that I hail from a family that is as fastidious in that line as you could be. My father's ancestors came from Va. and inherited much pride from their English descent. I've been told that they were very wealthy and had my father and mother not been unfortunate or ever had they lived till now, I'm sure it would have been from choice, had I been self sustaining. I've been told that my mother and her sisters were the belles of their day — the prettiest and most modest. Unfortunately, I inherited none

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of my mother's beauty - people
tell me I have eyes and manner
like her. I hope I inherited enough
of her modesty not to speak of
good qualities either in myself or
family when a young man
pretends to be my suitor. Many
times when meeting people
for the first time who knew my
mother say "you had one of the
best mothers that ever lived" you
see since I know we are to be
nothing to each other we are free to
speak. You perhaps thought it
strange that I knew so little of my
father's death. I cherish fond
thoughts of my father and think
now the less of him because of his
affliction. The trouble occurred
when I was too small to realize

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it and my mother dying also when I was young — my father's and grand-father's records were burned when an uncle's house burned.

I have ask others, and others have told me, very little concern-
-ing my father. I knew it was a very serious affair and one that could not be remedied in this world. If I knew the perpetrator of the deed I could pray for him. That is religion. I do not believe my father's ~~affliction~~ will ever ~~contact~~ me. If I thought it would I'd shadow no man's life by becoming his wife. We cannot tell — matrimony is risky at the best and I think you are right in seeking the best but your way of seeking a wife would never win one of my caliber. You are

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sucking a wife very much as you
would a horse if you needed one —
meeting, viewing and interviewing
many if they do not prove sound
its off with the old and on with the
new. My dear friend, be careful,
lest when you find her perfection
personified, that she does not hide
a rotten heart. There are a few good
women whose price is above rubies
and many whose selfish hearts are
as rotten as a last years dishrag — you
know that better than I — I truly
hope you'll find one of the former —
not a scold — not a faultfinder —
not a boss but one who may
influence you as though she ruled
you not — whose very presence will
inspire you to nobler and better
things

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Well, Well, I believe I'll come down to the stern realities of life. We are still "heart-whole and fancy-free" at Greenwood. We have had our school-room decorated in dog-wood blossoms. We have two or three lovely bouquets all the time. Its a joy to teach these children. I often think if I can succeed in teaching them some of "The Great Lessons of Life," I'd be willing to spend my life with them and for them.

A red-headed boy of ~~thirteen~~ years dropped a bouquet of fancies in my apron pocket when I was not looking. If I have a bad boy in school, it is he, yet that act proved to me a tender heart beneath the rough. The same boy was hurt in play to day and was unconscious

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for ten or fifteen minutes. You ought to have seen me with his head in my lap bathing his face in water and camphor. - There! you needn't say you want to be my pupil its too late. - The boy is not a christian; the thought came to me if he never regains consciousness I've missed the opportunity of leading him to Christ. Several of my pupils have measles. If it interferes with my school I'm going to close in ~~an~~ or two. I'm wanting two or three months vacation anyway. I'm anxious to go home; then I'm planning a trip to Southwest Mo. and Ill. I have a first cousin in Chicago of your profession. You see I have some near kinsfolk. ha, ha!

I want to return via. of Frankfort
to attend the K. E. A.

Your sister-in-law came by
for me last Sunday and I spent
an hour or two at the corner of High
and Broadway. Say, kid, its a
shame for you to have that girl in
love with you if you do not aim
to marry her. You say she's not
your ideal but perhaps as near
it as you'll ever find. You should
remember that the girl who takes
you ~~has~~ something to ~~ask~~ as well
as you and be more lenient. We
are apt to find what we look for. Your
profession has taught you to
look for faults and errors hence
you find them.

Well I guess its very well that
you do not care to come back to

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Greenwood, for a young man whose
black eyes are second in beauty
to yours only told one of my pupils
if you came back he'd shoot you.

I heard of one of the women of the
community saying she hoped I
was not going to marry as the
pupils thought so much of me.

They did not know you could be
scared nearly to death by a loose
cog wheel, ha, ha!

Well, Well, after all I want you
to know that I'll always remember
you as a jolly bachelor of the world.

I'm just as willing to be your
friend as your lover perhaps more
so. You are my ideal intellectually
I've always admired dark hair
and eyes - you are not far from
my ideal in appearance but

I seriously doubt whether you possess the heart power to have won my best love, so there might have been a greater obstacle than my inheritance. I must acknowledge that I felt a bit disappointed when your delay proved that you did not care to correspond as "friends only"

I want you to know that I enjoyed your letters. They have been a source of instruction as well as entertainment to me but I know you are a very busy fellow with no time to waste; then if you've made up your mind to get married the one consumes all your spare time. You see I understand the situation. I'd like to see you desperately in love. By the way I meant to exchange "experiences in love" with you but the day was so short

and the opportunity gone. I thought
when you left that were I associated
with you long I'd begin to understand
what the boy meant when he said
he had a very pleasant feeling
connected with a certain face ^{and} form
but since you snubbed me so
completely, ha! ha! the pleasant
feeling is in connection with the
other fellow. I have a new correspond-
ent from Cal. - a young man who
visited near here last summer
Oh I mustn't forget to tell you -
you see I'm telling you everything
as this is my last chance - a
wealthy bachelor of near here wanted
to call on me and I refused. Now I
know you are sure sin off. He's about
your age. Owns 130 acres of the best
land - wears a \$200 diamond ring

etc etc - no excuse only I didn't fancy him.

I think you can afford to pardon this long letter as its the last. I shall not expect a reply.

I shall be on the lookout for your "Ideal" if I find her I'll send you her card. If you find a lovely old bachelor who wants to correspond for pastime send me his card, will you? Hope you'll send me an invite to your wedding that I may observe it as a day of mourning ha! ha! When you are to see your sweetheart again and have a day you cannot spend with her hope you'll spend it with me I'll show you what I mean by "Platonic Friendship" They are having music in the parlor and want me to join them with guitar. I started to add you must learn to play organ or guitar one as I have both - but - it was the other fellow to whom I meant to suggest that remark ha! ha!

I hope to remain
Your friend
Fifteen Cresto

Bowling Green Ky.
Apr 22 1908.

My dearest friend

How are you to night & I hope you are feeling fine and dandy. I am feeling somewhat tired just now I have just gotten in from Miss [unclear] and we went down [unclear] I feel very [unclear] but I tried to refuse. I enjoyed the walk and fresh air fine.

I am all alone at present Sister has a beau understanding Mr. Harris is here the first time since Sun. I wish you were here called I am wanting to see you just - and bad of course I want you to come back to B.G. just any time you will - and don't come I'll will be so glad to see you I had a real good time Sunday I enjoyed it so much. I went to the Catholic Church in the morning I went down in the afternoon until six o'clock and went to the first Baptist Church Sunday night I hope you spent a pleasant

day. I wish you could have
 been with us your presence
 would have added much
 to our little party.
 Meeting is going on
 now at the Second Baptist
 Church we went last night
 the preaching was fine
 it is so far I do not expect
 to attend very much.
 I saw your Cousin Alice last
 night I sat on the same
 seat with her I don't know
 whether Miss Nichols has returned
 to B.G. to visit. I don't know if
 you know I was talking
 with Miss Nichols about
 Miss Fannie does not say any
 thing about her sister
 Miss Fannie does not say any
 thing about you any more
 not since she knew you
 leaving you about I think
 she is real sweet she is
 liked very much at Mrs
 Taylor's. If you will excuse
 a short letter I will
 close for the present it is
 almost retiring time
 with me I hope to have
 another good sweet letter from
 you real soon
 with love and best wishes
 I am as ever yours
 Good night.

Bowling Green Ky

Apr 14 - 1908.

My dear friend Mr. Pailey.

It was in deed quite an unexpected pleasure to rec your nice sweet letter this afternoon I was so glad to hear from you this is only the second letter I have rec from you since you were here I am indeed very sorry if I caused you the least worry by my neglect I did not mean to wait so long before writing you but you see how it is not because I had found another Southheart or any thing like that. That is the least of my thought you are all of the Southheart I want so you need not let a thing like that bother you in the least. I could wait a week before answering your letter but I should have done sooner I want to you

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That way again if you
want me to be more
prompt in writing I
shall do so. No I did not
send you a card I do
not know of anyone that
did

I guess you got my
letter all right I
mailed Monday I hope
you did I would like
so much to see you
it seems like just one
year to me since
we last parted I wish
you would spend Easter
in B.G. every body is talking
so much about Easter
and getting something
something pretty to wear
that day. I have no
plans whatever made
for that day I suppose I
will go to church and I
don't know what else
I may do we had a
letter from Myrtle this
morning she is OK she was
going to the country to
spend a week Pally is
fine and dandy We are
still at Mrs. Scotts
because this seems
like home direct home

3.
you ask so many questions
I would answer them but
Lord it would take me
so long I will wait until
I have more time or
until I see you ^{at} school soon
your friend Miss Harman
this afternoon she was looking
real sweet

I am going to bring my
remarks to a stop with
the same little story I
am sleepy. Pally. ~~happened~~
into ~~the~~ ~~number~~ ~~and~~ ~~all~~ ~~ready~~.
I hope I shall have the
great pleasure of hearing
from you again real soon.
I am always so glad to get
your letters if you do
not hear from me at
once you need not think
anything about it only that
I am not being a life
friend I am. Just the
same as when you
saw me last and
will remain so until
you see me again
I love you so but you
write soon please
Good night yours
Housa

Otia, Ky. Feb. 12, 1908

Mr. P. J. Paley,

Jopkinsville, Ky.

My Dear friend,

I will please to write you a few lines.

First I want to tell you that I was at the P.O. last Mon. and your letter you wrote me was not there.

My mail was sent out by Lee Sprawks and if he did not misplace it some way, it may be reached my P.O.

I guess I will not have any more trouble getting my mail I have made arrangements

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with the postmaster to not
send my mail out by any one
except Mr R. M. Chapple.

So now when the backwater is
in my way, my mail will be
brought to Mr Chapple and
I will get it my self.

Will I want to know if
you have said any thing to old
big headed Royce.

if not you must and see what
he is willing to do, if any thing,
if he is not

I intend to do my best to persuade
to him again. if I can do any thing
with him he won't have to pay
Bart and Bas Richardson 250.00

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for nothing, he has had to pay
them 250.00. but I guess that
Sam had to pay it for him.

if I were him I think I would be
a shame to know that my brother
had to pay for my own sorin-
ess.

Now I am going to quire
you so longe to see what he will
do. then if you will nat helpe me
to see what I can do with him I
will see my self. and then I will
get some one to helpe me out with
it.

Of course I believe you
will helpe me if he don't turn
you a gainst me some way.

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I hope you will stand to me for
I have don't told you a bout his and
my case and I don't want to tell
any one else but if I haf to I
can.

Now if he will not do right
and is willing to try the law I
am more than ready. even if I
get the worst of it. if I do I will
go to work and keep up my own
baby and his do. for it is a
hen that can't scratch for one
chicken.

Mr Raley I am going to send you
a letter that Potts writ me after
my baby was born. I want
you to read it and see if you

don't think what is told on me
and him is a lie. you may
keep the latter or send it back
to me. for Sherman Spear said
I might need it some time ago
and perhaps I will need it
Oh! well don't forget to try to
get me a good home. I will go to
Ill or Ind or I will stay any
where else you say.

you may put all confidence in
me as keeping what you say
or write me any way. I
hoping you will treat me
the same way. I will close for
this time. Hoping to hear from
you soon. I

remain your friend
Ema B Kelley

Wichita Kans

Jan. 23 1908

Mr. Bailey.

Hello old top why not
write to me a real young
girl just 18 my I tell
you about my hair and
complexion, or talk about the
education. I have dark
brow hair and my eyes
dark blue. My height is
5 ft 4 and I weigh 112.
Why old kido I am the only
so if you think I'm old
Just write to me for fun

ill I will so much and
my pen is got broken
ill honey up the receiver
and take it all as off.

Yours truly

From ma's
Thelma Gref
Route 6. Box 16
Helena, Kas.

P. S. I will send my photo
in next letter if answered

Frankfort Ky

July 20th / 1908

Hon. W. G. Nailor

Dear Sir

Yours of the 18th
and to hand, and contents
noted, so I went at once
to the Secretary of State
and give him your name
that he might have ^{it} before
the Senate for confirmation
rightaway, so he will
write you, the Secretary has
\$200 and you want. I will
have it get that at Louisville
or some other place than here

we are doing nothing
got quite a crowd here
today, as the Hon W. J.
Bryant is making speech
to the Legislature, thinking
a whip in the antics,
don't think will do it,
well Mr. Denham came
Sunday eve he is getting along
very nicely, command me
at any time, will do.

Yours Truly
J. J. Smith

[17 January 1908]

R. G. Railey.

Tompkinsville, Ky.

Dear Mr Railey:

I promised you a picture in a few days and I have just received the proofs. They are not at all good - of me so am not going to have any finished, but will try it again as soon as I can and trust that I will have better success.

I believe I will enclose the proofs anyhow; it will give you some idea of me. But you must not pass your opinion on these - wait for a

better one.

Hope to hear from you
soon.

Very truly yours
Manon.

Manon Haight
90 Michigan Street, Box 132
Clark, Neb.

Jan 17, 1908

Forkton Ky

Jan 8 - 1908

R. G. when you cum out
home bring Eluor a Par of
shoes. No. 8 the corsest you
can find if you can find
them with Brass Toes
get that kind
Resp. A. J. Railey

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EWING, KY. Oct 1908

Mr. Goulard & Coffey
Somersville, Ky.
My Dear friend
I have been anxiously
waiting for an answer to
my letter. It seems that
I personally have to write
two letters before I can
get an answer to mine
and I most sincerely hope
this will reach you in
perfect safety. I have been
trying to write you
several times this week
and really this is my
first opportunity
you know I think
its so strange you

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LIVERY ATTACHED.

EWING, KY., 190.....

Cant get my letters
Some thing that I cant
Really understand some
I trust you will get this
letter all O.K. and
answer soon but before
closing I want to tell you
of a pleasant surprise
I had last week I got such
a handsome box of candy
out of the office camp
through the mail. There was
so. I cant see the box.
So at first I gave you
credit for it but really

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Day.		modation

LIVERY ATTACHED.

EWING, KY., 190

I couldn't find any post
mark on it but it was
mighty nice and I
appreciated it. Let me know
if you sent it and if
you did you were indeed
thoughtful. So please accept
my thanks. Love let me
hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely
Jane

Coos City Ore
Oct 28 = 1908

Mr. W. Y. Bailey
Tompsonville Ore
Dear Mr. Bailey

Will write you
this morning now by I begin
I shall make this request of you
don't mind this will explain
to you John Pile married to
Miss Boyd is far up with
divorced and she has about
eight thousand \$ on I see
John far Mitchell and make
any money you know has an
business was fixed up - now you
looks it up far over any way

you write to Mr. Rice and tell
 him I need ^{some} suit again here
 on Dec. and just simply
 to give him a scale and
 ask him what is he willing
 to do and you are going
 to bring one to Michigan
 because I was left with
 nothing and if he is not willing
 to give me 6 or 10 hundred \$
 you can let my lawyer and
 we will do him up if we can
 you surely can fix up and
 just about right well give
 you his ^{and}

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I shall expect a letter from
you soon and I think he
would be sent up for a while
for morning he for his new
disorder may I can send
him onto it. I know one Michigan
I know nothing about him
do all you can for me and
it will be appreciated above all
I haven't forgotten you I
came out to East City
last Monday to stay with
Mrs McArthur it is a
I had to mark away from
home is it, there? A
sweet day coming don't you
wish it would hurry and

= 8 =

How is Tompkinsville by name the
fair must right. wish next
year named soon to
me I must class
take all mistakes for
good wishes,

Paul
Melia Mitchell

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Paul name this to
J. C. Carter, Lee and Coe

others, telling you of my sewing
project going very well. I had phone calls
from our nephew from sister
that made me think, every day,
that you were coming, but still
you have left me waiting and
not knowing. — I hadn't known
what to do. I wrote you twice
Dorothy was going wed. — Today, but
we counted up the time and it was
this past Monday instead of wed.
But she hoped still to see you,
before going, and so waited on
till last night at midnight,
thinking you'd come, on every
train! I never had so sorry. —
She was taking so much pleasure in
the fact that you'd come again
and shed all by you a little while,
before going. — She said you'd see us
not many pleasant things. — She
left, last night. Her school opens
tomorrow. — She so hated to go on
and leave me. But I am still
here waiting. — Why do you not
come on, please, please, think. — I
don't know what to think at
all, and no letter either, not
a word. Why have you not written

401 - E. Lafayette Ave.

Sept. 24 - 1908.

My Dearest Rowland: -

Why do you wait so long to write; I am always prompt and you always keep me waiting, its alright, I may have a chance in the future to make you wait.

Hell dear did you have a nice time at the fair wish I could have been with you know we would have had a nice time together.

I looked for a letter the early part of this week, but no letter as yet. I am so lonesome tonight scarcely know what to do, so thought I would spend part of the time writing to my sweetheart I wonder what he is doing tonight how I long to see him I feel that I already know him well enough to hug

and kiss him at first sight but will try
not to shock you on first acquaintance
all the same know how I feel towards him
I wonder when I will see him I hope it
is not far off. Listen, dear, when I make
my visit to Louisville would you meet me
some where & go part of the way with me
I certainly do dislike travelling alone would
be so nice if you would make arrangements
to meet me halfway & go the remainder of
the way to Louisville. what do you say, yes?

Dear you never ~~have told~~ me your age
and weight. please tell me why do you ignore
my question so often now ans. me this time
I am sitting here in a large 14 room
house all alone my how lonesome it is
wish I was with you tonight write and

-tell me what you ^{3.} are doing.

Tomorrow I'm going out with a stag party down - the Chesapeake Bay is the last party of the season boat leaves 7.25 A.M. we will be gone until Sunday Evng. There are about 38 invited guests don't know how many will go. Do come & join us?

Dear, I must say goodnight am getting very sleepy am so tired write me at once a nice long letter & don't forget what I asked you

Goodbye always your same little girl
Blanche

Patterson

(just 15 min. of 12.)

Looking for you, My
Monday morning.

My dear dear boy!

Your card just rec'd -
I can't tell you how I
felt when I was looking
on all the streets for
you, you, you. Been looking
daily and hardly since
the middle of the week.
I thought I saw you coming
last night from the car -
Don't go home before
coming down here -
No, don't. I was so
glad when you wrote me
you were coming now
and home. I wish I
could see it.

prince there. Don't
fail to come right on
down tonight or to
morrow if you don't
reach the junction to-
night. I am looking
for you - I want you
to come now. I have
thought of it all this
week but I can't change
my expectations. For
the "blue" and "homeick"
any way, and you must
not go on without coming
down - you so near -
Let the machinery go on
alone or wait for you
in Glasgow - or rather
it won't travel as fast
as you do and you'll

2.
have to wait for it -
Any way let it wait
not me -

So much to tell you -
I meant to tell you
when you came - just
picking it up - I hope
and I hope, that she wants
you to come to us too -
She was thinking how
perhaps that you
were coming now.

I put two little letters
in here, as you told me -
They are waiting for
you -

We are at the house
of Mrs. Chad Potter -

You know where
that is - Come and come
right up - So much to
tell you

Have heard favorably
of "Montgomery"
but not final yet. I
wrote of price acceptance
but do not know till
I hear from them again
I had to ask many
questions and some
of them may not
"fill their bill" - I don't
know - will soon
know, I hope - Be
sure I come down
on way home - Be sure
I stop - all downtown
wife & I see daily - Come from
Love of Subways, I ^{your own} Florence.

Don't fail to come
see down.

Are you well? How
is the dear wife? Are
you being good to
my dear boy?
You must be -
I am looking for
you and I shall
look for you now.
Your own
A -

Don't let me in this
all I want to tell you -

gone to Bay City Michigan
for a 30 day vacation
will please with a good night
to all. yours

E. H. Turner.

8/12 1908.

Mr A. J. Railey.

Frankton Ky.

Your letter rec. in due
time and contents noted
well I will say to you this
has been a hot and dry
Summer and I never had
such a time putting in a
crop and caring for one.
I have worked day and night
So I am just here to tell
the store earn look shabby
and made about 25 bushel
to the acre.

but sold for a good price 50 C.
we are having a nice little shower
to night the best we have had
since may. I think it will last
the rest.

Well Mr Railey in regard to
Pearl Railey just suite your
self about the water that I will
be satisfied

well. Elmer Bass, this is Papa
writing to you would have wrote
sooner but have not had time
had to work to had. how are

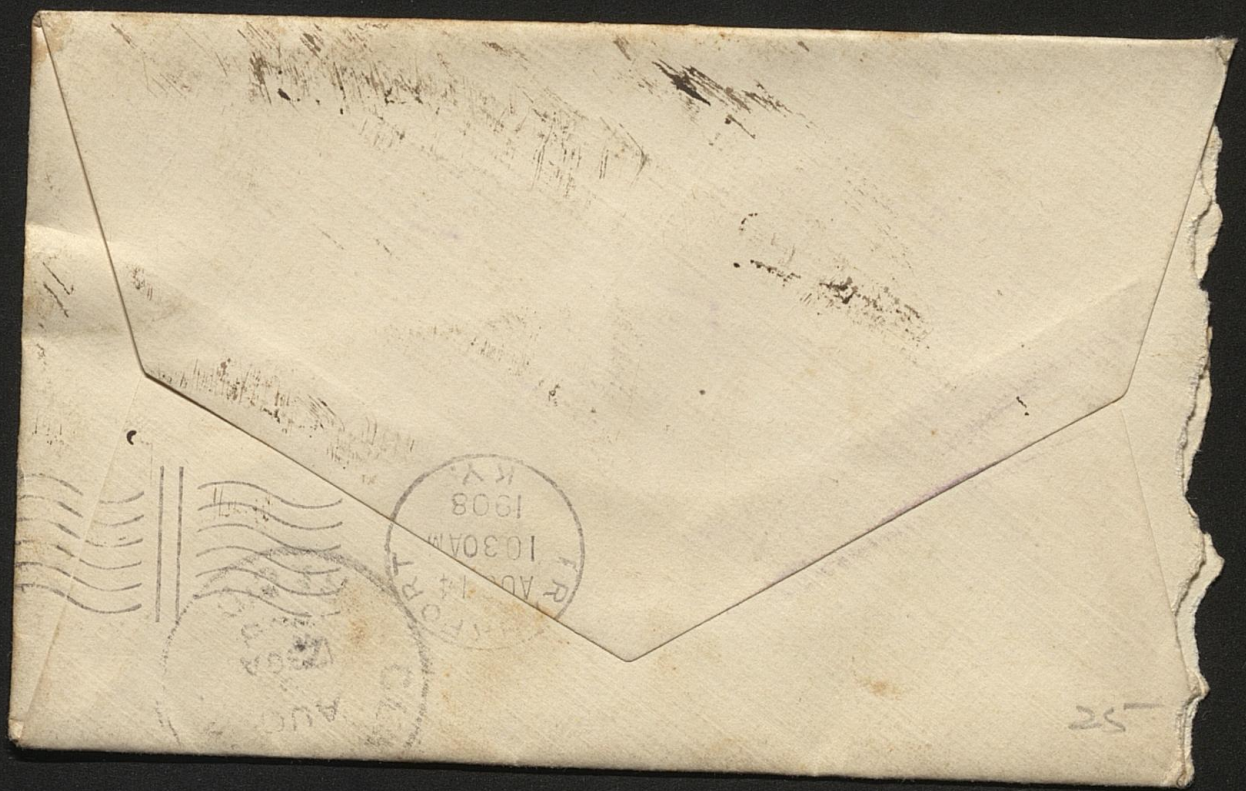
you any way little sweet Boy
Papa want to see you awful
Bad. do you work or fish
are shoot Birds I will see
you some day are you a good
boy have you sold your calf.
what do you want Papa to bring
you when he comes to see you
how much do you weights down
for get to write and tell me
well I for get to tell you
I'm all alone the books have

From E. D. Turner

Bondville Ill



Mr A. J. Railey
Parkston Ky.



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Toronto Ky.
July 30, 1908.

Mr. R. L. Bailey.

Tompkinsville. Ky.

Dear friends-

I thought as I could not
get to see you this week, I would drop
you a few lines, to let you know that
you will need work done in the Bush
if you aim for me to save you
some votes you must come out or
answer back at once and tell me
what to do. answer by return mail

Very truly yours

St. M. Bowman



Loose Item

social but of course I can't.
I wish you a pleasant time.
Mr. Bailey I cough so bad I
can't hardly write so I believe
I'll wait and finish in the
morning.

Sunday Morning,
Well, I do not feel much better
but will finish my letter.

Say, I want you to promise
me you will come in March
and be present at the close of

Merry Christmas!

Dear Mr. Bailey:-

I received your most
highly appreciated missive
and will attempt to answer.

Indeed, it was quite nice
to have your Brothers to be
with you and I trust that
many times you will enjoy the
same pleasure.

Merry Christmas! Oh! it is
almost here and how lonely
I will be. I do wish we

could have been permitted to
meet. Perhaps the time is not
long off when we can see each
other. I would almost give my
life to see you. If you wanted
to see me as bad as I want to
see you. You would come now.
I'm so afraid you will find you
a pretty girl & marry. That's
what I am going to do. "Some day."
Not 'til I see you. Will you wait?

Dearest One, I am sick. real
sick tonight. I have washed a
big washing and put up all
my lace curtains.

Say, Out, My School closes Wed.

I was to close Thursday but as
Thursday was Xmas Eve, my
Trustie came and told me
they would give me Thursday.
My treat for my children cost
\$14.85. it consists of Oranges,
Apples, Bananas, pears, grapes,
figs, raisins, candy, & nuts.
The children love me dearly &
I love them dearly. I have a
Spring School at the same place
and have the Fall School too, so
you know they like me very
well.

How delighted I would be
to be present at your Box

helps it. You are to blame.
I said, Basil you are too young.
He is so intelligent polite &
just as pretty as you almost.
If I were looking for property
and style I would take him.
Say, you may scold me but I
told him. He was a kid &
I certainly did not want to
raise him. [no I said raise a kid.
was thought how it sounded
but he is tolerably swift. He

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my Spring School. Will you
promise? Tell me now.
I would tell you something but
perhaps I had better not
this time. Pardon me if I a-
rouse your curiosity. Be honest.
are you ever coming? I love you
so dearly that I believe anything
you tell me.
Say Mr. Bailey, we have our school
room very prettily decorated.
we have 8 windows in our

room and have 8 Beautiful
weathers - one for each window
and the room is filled with
Mistletoe, cedar, popcorn, holly
and flags. I think it looks
well for a country School.
Last week at recess while I
was making a mistletoe
cross, one of the small children
put some Mistletoe in my
hair. I never thought of it
so that we and recess. One of
the small boys said, "Miss
Georgia, Basil (one of large boys)
said you could not and must
not get mad if we kiss you

this week. I never thought so
I said alright. I took it that
he meant the little children.
So that we he was hitching up
my horse and went to help
me in the buggy. I said,
"Thank you very much Basil,"
he slipped a note in my side.
and blushed and went on.
By the way. I opened it and
what do you think. he is only
17 and I am 33. He said, Miss
Georgia I love you better than
I do my God. Much more -
So I shamed him the next
morning. but he said, I can't

#8

He is so good to me. every eve
 he goes and hitches up for me
 they comes in and gets my
 hat, cloas and over shoes, helps
 me with them on. takes my
 lunch basket & always helps
 me in my buggy. So if you
 care any thing for Georgia
 you ought to like Basil a little
 for being so good to me.
 Well, my dear, I dreamed of you
 last night.

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said, you'll have to do that if you
 take that Mr. Reiley. What made
 him say that was: One day
 I got there to school early and
 had a letter to send you and
 asked him to go & put it
 in the Mail Box so it is right
 out on school ground - & he
 came in and said, Miss A -
 I bet that is your fellow. I
 said. I would like for it to be.
 I think he loves me as well as

I love you. I do not love him yet. No one knows he loves me only the children often say Miss Georgia Basil says he loves you as well as he does his mother. Some of the grown girls often tell me that. I say "Basil is so childish." I have known all my school that Basil loved me. But never let on. He is so jealous. I think jealousy is nothing but love aggravated. One day at recess he asked me to help him on his composition. I sat down by him and he kept getting closer so I said, "Basil

am I crowding you?" he said "Why no" Miss Georgia. Am I you?" I said "not now." He blushed & said, "Miss Georgia you are just such a dear teacher I can't help it." I said "Basil, I am mortgaged property." He said that makes no difference. I guess it is perhaps wrong in me to tell you, but I do think he is smart. Just a boy not quite 18. If you were here I would not mind to sit near you, no I would do just as you say. If I never get to see you I will take Basil.

a Thousand years, I could not
 love you any better than I
 do this hour. I might
 prove it better in your presence
 but to increase the power of
 admiration & love it would
 be beyond all power.
 Now you know just what
 I think of you and it is
 all from my heart

I thought I put you out in the
 front yard & that you said you
 did not have time to come in.
 I dreamed you wanted me to
 turn you loose & I would not.
 I thought that I wanted to go
 home with you and you said
 people would talk about us if
 I staid all night with you &
 we were not married. but
 I said I dont care we will
 sit up all night. Ohaw! I

would not tell you the rest
for any amount, but I insure
your answer was a dandy -
I hung to you until I woke &
just to think it was all a
dream. Well it was pleasant
while it lasted.

Where there are pleasant dreams
there are also pleasant thoughts.
I do not think or dream of any
one but you. I am afraid if I
were to be with you that you
would tire of my loving &
petting you. I just know I
would put you to death. do
any thing on earth possible

12.

Sweetheart if you don't love to
pet and be petted don't never
get close to me for I would
embrace & kiss you to day as
quick as I would a mother.
Understand. I am no flirt
and would not dare to do
such a thing only with you.
I believe with my whole
heart that if a girl loves a
boy and he loves her that
she would not be willing
to do many things but
would not do every thing.
I know I would not.
If I were to live with you

16-

Sweet Heart, you write me such
short letters. Are my letters
long and tiresome to you?
Dear I have to write long letters
to you for you are all the
gentleman correspondent I have
except my Brother in law ---
He sent me a silver glove hook
for a Xmas present.

Learning you must be a
sweet, dear, good boy and
not love the girls too much
I am so jealous of you. I
would not be if I had you.
Jealousy is only agitated love.
Make haste & come so I can
kiss, hug, and pet you.

Ms. A. 21, 1908

Mr. Raily do not consider me
hasty or fast by being thus
with you - I only love you
and only you.

When you finish reading
this letter go to the glass
and kiss your self and see
if you blush.

oooooooooooooooooooooooooooo ¹⁰⁰ kisses

For you -

Your Dear One
Georgia Atlanta Amild

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this evening on No 8.
and some are coming
tomorrow. Walter is
coming home Sunday
and will bring Miss
Glessner with him
I suppose I will spend
some time at home I have
not made up my
mind fully yet if
I go any place it will
be to Portland, I want
to see some one on a
vacation I will
come back to work
the fifth of January
I will still stay with

Howling Green, Kentucky.

Dec 24, 08

My dear friend [redacted] [redacted]
Your welcome letter
came to hand last
evening and read
with much delight
I had all so been
wondering why I
did not hear from
you I think I had
written you [redacted]
three letters since
I had heard from
I thought if you were
tired I should give

you a rest yet I
 read the paper
 you sent me read
 the nice piece that
 that was written it
 was all right just
 fine only one thing
 the matter with it
 that was not half enough
 said
 We still in B.G.
 got through work yester-
 day I suppose we will
 get out home some
 time to day there

is going to be a Texas
 tree at Greenwood this
 afternoon - and because
 I will have to be there
 to see all three presents
 I will get ha, ha!
 Miss Lillie's school closed
 to day. I don't suppose
 she will get married
 this Texas - as it is
 a fifty dollar fine to
 marry without license
 There are some people
 going to visit us from
 Franklin during Texas
 some of them come

3.

Howling Green, Kentucky.

Mrs. Fisher I suppose
Mr & Mrs Bailey & your
back to town to live
Mrs Mrs John Collins
have taken the rooms
they had they are
moving in to-day.
You said you did
not want me to go
off - any place to spend
Xmas by
would you care you
would not know the
diff - I would not
be much farther from

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you than I - and now
Miss [redacted] pool - and I
went down to the baby
cotest last night
- and to see Sautakland
Garland's Sledge babies
still ahead it has not
twelve thousand votes
you will have to make
haste if you hat that
My [redacted] said tell you
she would not care
if Dickpatrick - and
his lady love had ^{up} made
six months ago. She was

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not trying to make
up with him. I
could spit in his face
if he were to speak to
me
I am soon going
to close my letter for
this time I am going
down town this afternoon
wish you were here to
go with me I
want to see you
I now close with
much love - and good
wishes for a merry
Christmas as
I am as ever yours
D.P.

Tobacco Ky 11/9/08

R. C. B.

You see Dick Patrick
and have him not
to take me on that
note, you have him to
write Charlie that he has
heard that I had borrowed
some money and was
in debt a night or two
and have him to take
Perry Miller on the note
I don't want to be on the
note, if I do I am likely
to have it to pay
Charlie I think I can get
Perry Miller to go on the

note, the note is due
to 14th
I signed a new note
this morning, I was a
fraid he would get
mad if I didn't sign
it.

best love and etc this
like I have said

Pat. O. L. P.

Get me no day or
to morrow where you
have got it fixed
that way or not
and if you can't fix it
I will still come up
there and fix it

Saturday Night.

Nov. 14 - 1908.

My Dear Mr. Railey: -

Please excuse me
for using a lead pencil.

I received your dear beloved
message yesterday and was,
as usual, delighted to receive
it; it always comes as an
answered prayer to my lonely
heart.

You said ans. soon; I am
so very foolish about you
that I always ans. the day
I receive your letter.

Indeed I was sorry to
learn that your mother
was ill; I trust she is
better or has recovered ere this.

#2.

You have no idea how tired I am tonight. I have washed a two weeks. washing and put down a carpet today and painted 4 chairs. Do you wonder at me being tired?

It is so cold tonight. how I long & wish you were here; for then I would forget that there was such a thing as cold.

I was sick all last week. Scarcely able to teach but I am no hand to give up. I have only missed about $1\frac{1}{2}$ days in 15 or 16 years teaching, so I certainly have been blessed.

Thanksgiving!

Well, how are you going to

spend it? I guess you will
have a delightful time.

I guess I will spend it at home.
Mother is going to Henderson
the 25th to spend a week with
her son-in-law and his children.

So I will have to keep house.
Keeping house is no new
ideal for me, for I have been
at it ever since I was a child.
I often tell mama that I never
experienced nurseryhood, much
less childhood. So much the
better, for a poor orphan girl.

I can give thanks to God for
sparing my mother and
blessing me with health &
faith in my dear Savior.

Mr. Railey, are you a

Christian? If you are not
why consider the matter
and prepare yourself to be-
come one for fear the death
Angel might knock unex-
pected to you, and if you are
why pray for others out of
the "Ark of Safety."

As the old year begins to die,
I try to let more sin die
with it. strive to prepare my
self better to turn more and
more against worldly things.

I feel my weakness as a
Christian more every day,
but at the same time I am
not very wicked.

The Good Lord does so much
for me - I do a very little.

Well it is 9:40 Saturday night
and I am so tired I will
close and jinxish tomorrow.
Wishing you pleasant
thoughts and happy dreams.
O! could I only share them.

Good night, Sweet heart.
Good morning Mr. Raily!

Pshaw! I dreamed of you &
such a pity that it was not
true. I have a cold and sore
throat and feel bad, but not too
bad to write to you.

The Diphtheria is still in my
school but Dr. Arnett has been
very successful. not lost a case.

I have a splendid school and
as it will soon close, I can
look back and have not an

unpleasant thought or deed on which to reflect.

My School will close Dec. 24 at noon.

Yes sir, I stay at home.

I am about $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles from School house, but I have a good horse and Buggy and drive there every day.

I intinded having a big entertainment Xmas Eve night but was afraid to prepare for it for fear of Diphtheria.

I am about miles from Bowling green, and have no relatives or acquaintances there, therefore I could not meet you there. I had my plan made last Summer

to spend Amos in Paducah
with a married friend of mine
but her health failed and
her husband - Dr. Ray, thought
it best for them to leave so
they have moved to Mexico.

I don't guess you would prefer
meeting me there?

I can't at this writing say
where I will meet you and
when. For Brother is talking
of leaving. I'll let you know
in my next letter.

How delighted I would be to
meet you. I would give the
world to meet you.

If Brother had not found out
about it, I could have met
you most any where.

never mind, all that happens,
happens for the best and as
the old Baptists say, what is
to be will be if it never happens!

I'll meet you soon - I anticipate,

Will How about the Election?

I do not know your party,
I am a Democrat - but there
is no party to keep me from
loving you. I only trust that
Taft will give us good times
and relieve the poverty horror.

Say, I have just ordered me a
new Comfort Rocker and how I
wish you were here to use it.

Just 6 weeks until Xmas!

It is a blessing to some and to
a great many it is a curse.

It is usually sad to me

9.

I think and know of so many poor little children that are not remembered at that sacred time and I have not the means to spare to remember very many so it makes it somewhat sad. I give such as I can spare. If I were a man, I would do more for the poor children than I do. Charity covereth a multitude of sins. I have been very deeply impressed with mission work yet I always have the presentiment that a woman's mission is her home.

Mr. Bailey, I know I would be the happiest soul on earth if I could only meet you and be with you. Then the thought of separation

hovers over me and I just know to
leave you would kill me,

You said did I suppose that my
Brother would be willing to give me
to you. I don't suppose there ever
has been a more obedient Sister or
daughter but that is no ones business
but Georgys. That is one question
that my only advisor shall be my
self and my God. If I should ever
take this fatal step and it not
prove that I had chosen best, only
Georgia, not the world would be
made wiser. No - No - No.

I am not in the least afraid of
my future not being pleasant.
Home is what Husband & wife
make it. I could not endure
cross words for I never give them.

I won't guess - that is extreme ignorance
Dearest one, I had thought I would
tell you something in this letter
but guess I had better wait and
tell you Xmas - Say, you dear
one, won't you dare to get married
before I see you. I want to have
the pleasure of wishing you all
kinds of peace, happiness and
pleasure before you are the means
of changing some young lady's
name. Be sure to send my invi-
tation long before it comes off.
I will you. -

Say, I judge from your advice
that should you marry a teacher
that you would not want her
to teach after marriage - ha, ha
I guess many married ladies

find their household duties to
mumorous to continue teaching.
I don't want to my-self.

Excuse me if I be to plain.

The Sun is sitting (sumingly)
how Beautiful and how I do
wish you were here.

All right about your claim.

You shall have as many as
you like. What a bad-bad-girl.
How could I refuse such a dear
boy as you?

I just know I must close.

Be a good boy - don't love the
girls save it all for me,
pardon my selfishness. I am a
baptist. Kisses & embraces.

Your wanting to Be
Sweetheart Georgia

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Mr. R. G. Railey,
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Very truly yours,

M.B. Kennedy

I HAVE SOME VERY ATTRACTIVE TIMBER PROPOSITIONS

Monroe Circuit Court.

Lassie M. Thomas, Plaintiff.

vs.

Rowland Thomas, defendant.

The plaintiff, Lassie Thomas, states that she is an actual resident of Monroe County Ky., that on the 8 day of March 1908, she and the defendant were lawfully married and lived together as man and wife from that time until the day of October 1908 when the defendant, without any fault upon the part of plaintiff or any cause for so doing abandoned her and has since refused to live with or make any provision for her support.

She states that the defendant is possessed with ample means and that she has no estate or income.

Plaintiff alleges that she believes and has reasons to suspect that unless prevented by this court's order that the defendant will fraudulently conceal, or remove his property from the state, or sell and dispose of same so as to defeat her claim of alimony herein.

She states that the defendant has one horse, black color, one buggy, and a one half interest in a tract of land situated in Monroe County Ky., and surrounded by the lands Jack Wheat, Tom Fox, C.S. Hubank, and Harve Burkes, and has in his pocket three or four hundred dollars in money, ~~and~~ a growing crop and oats and fodder, ^{one hog} and she believes and has reasons to so believe that unless an attachment issue immediately against the defendant's property she will loose her claim for alimony that he will sell and dispose of said property in order to defeat her claim for alimony.

Wherefore plaintiff prays judgement ^{\$5.00} for alimony and maintenance during the pendency of this action and for a general order of attachment against the defendant's property and for all proper relief.

Lassie M. Thomas

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Lassie M. Thomas this ^{10th} November 1908

W. J. Webb
Notary Public



My Commission }
Expires March 1st }
1910

URBANA, ILL. Nov. 13, 1908

Mr. R. G. Railey

Box 20

Tompkinsville, Kentucky

Dear Sir:

I send you by same mail with this a catalog of the University of Illinois.

Since the catalog has been published there have been issued some circulars concerning some of the departments of the University which contain later information.

If you are especially interested in any particular department let me know which, and I will send you a circular if I have one.

I shall be pleased to give you further information should you desire it.

Very truly yours,

W. L. Pillsbury

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Bowling Green Ky
Nov. 8th 1908.

My dearest friend
I rec- your letter
last night Of course
pleased to hear from
you

This is Sunday night
I hope you have
had a pleasant day
to day it has been
since a beautiful
day a body could not
help enjoying it. I
have had a very

nice time nothing
 unusual. We went to
 church this morning
 heard a very fine
 sermon. This afternoon
 we called on Mrs.
 Smith a woman we
 boarded with three
 years ago I enjoyed
 that very much as
 I had not seen her
 to talk with her since
 we stayed with her
 she insisted so much
 on us boarding with
 her again

Myrtle and I will
 soon be here alone

Mrs Bailey will leave
Tues. if Noble Her Mother
is here now and she
will go home with
her. She is getting a
long fine is sitting
up some guess it
will be rather tedious
for us when they are
gone.

I am glad you are
pleased with the
election. I am always
pleased to see for the
one that wins all
the time. If you
had not done all
that great speaking

week before election -
we might have had
Mr. Bryant for President
Of course you were
speaking for Taft,
you said you were
for Bryant but I
think you were joking
Mrs Taylor was so mad
over the election she
it was dangerous to
be safe when she was
she evidently felt
a girl before she had
been in the house five
months she was not
not doing anything
only talking about

Mr Taft being elected
it was to Quincy.

Do you get all my
letters you never say
anything about
getting them you
said in your last
letter you were looking
for a letter from me
-as if you had not
had any lately.

I am soon going to
close and retire
early as tomorrow is
srock day. Myrtle has
been in bed for an
hour she was up late
last night entertaining

her friend or sweet
heart I can't say which.
We went down Town
for a while. There was
nothing doing just
the same old thing.
Picture shows Yessie
I saw your little boy.
also your friend
Miss Lois Pettis ~~But~~
She was with a
handsome man
She is lit. it. I
now close with
much love and kind
thoughts. I hope to
hear from you real
soon. I am as ever
your true friend, D. D.