

Big Spring Feb 27 1886

Dear Lady

I am here with your Mama,  
your Grand Ma has been out several days.  
you have got the sweetest Brother you ever  
had, he is just as fat, double chin. The shortest  
hand & foot, dimples in every finger, every  
feature is perfect. One thing about him you  
will not like very well. He has red hair,  
Mama said she wrote to you day before  
yesterday (25) the baby was born next morning  
at 8 o'clock (26), he weighed 10 lbs. he'll be a  
great big fat baby by the time you get home.  
I was so glad to hear you was getting along  
so well with your studys, & Music.  
Fannie is so anxious to go off to school next term  
& I want her to go to Shelterville, but she  
corresponds with Mary Pusey <sup>and</sup> she thinks she  
wants to go to Miss Noald.  
We had a letter from Brother a few days ago  
he's well & is very well satisfied, we wrote for  
him to have his photos taken. I am so anxious  
to see it, I have not seen him since Christmas day.  
I had a long letter from Cousin Lizzie Clay  
yesterday Sydney is in Texas, Green lives with  
her. She said she would send Fannie these  
pictures in a few days.



Kittie will stay with Mana several days.  
said she left Gertie. Cousin Mattie Roberts. Elvira.  
& your Grand Pa to keep home, she will stay  
until she gets out of danger.

Jennie & Mana Katie is awful proud of the baby  
but said its face was so red. They have to kiss it-  
every few minutes.

All the rest of the family are well, and all  
send love. Study hard & come out all  
right in your. but I know you will do that.

Respectfully Your Aunt

Julie Clarkson

P.S - They just gave me your picture. I think  
it very good. but rather dark. if you  
had put on a white hood. it would have  
been a relief to your dark cloak. & brought  
your features out better. but its a very good  
picture for a Tin Type. You must have one or  
two Cabinet pictures taken as you come through  
Louisville. it would be nice to have it taken  
in your Exhibition dress. with your ribbons &  
trimmings painted. Just have the picture painted  
it won't cost very much more. You'll always  
appreciated it.

Aunt Julie

Big Spring  
12.22.84



Mrs Lady Clarkson  
Shelby vill.  
Shelby County

Stuart's Female College. Pg

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Lady

As Flannie has just gone  
up stairs for a rest, (as she came  
home with a bad headache) I can  
answer you. She got a letter from  
Rob Dryer. Mrs Thomas, Miss J.  
and Kinney would be at T. G.  
to-morrow, so she will send for  
them then. Lillian goes up to her  
P. to-morrow. Mary <sup>20f. June 8.</sup> Mrs S.  
are not coming. Flannie got a  
letter from home to day -  
Buttie Robertson got home  
yesterday - lots of ~~her~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup>  
~~young~~ <sup>old</sup> ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup> ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup>  
friends ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup> ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup> ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup>  
be at T. G. to-morrow did  
not say who they were, wanted  
a seat for one of them in  
our carriage. Rob did not  
say any thing about them in  
Flannie's letter

had a delightful time at -  
Mr D. a large crowd & good  
refreshments. And with a very  
cordial welcome by the  
family —

John Brown Van Dickeran  
who promises to buy some hogs  
for Jess, has got them and  
wants him (Jess) to come look  
at them in the morning at his  
house —

Julie

Miss Lady Charnwood

awoke in great suffering  
thrice up black vomit, seemed  
as though he would die imme-  
diately, but in a while grew  
quiet. I would not be surprised  
to hear of his death at any moment.  
Horace was at home a short time  
to day - he Bro's son Will & Is all  
with Father & the three daughters.  
I look for Bro Dick to come but  
don't think Bro's Susan Maria  
will do so. Uncle Gers had a sick  
spell last night & is not up  
to day Bro Sam came by  
to see him - says send  
my regards to Miss Lady  
Bettie says she will write  
soon, With best wishes to  
you from all of us to you  
I am your cousin

Bell -

Regards to Eva Fanny & her Father  
Horace got some fish for Father last  
sunday & he wanted some of them  
sent to our Manoah so he ex-  
pressed them down such hole

Ivy Hill  
Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

Dear Lady:

I was much pleased  
to be reassured by your  
note that you enjoyed  
your stay with us. I can  
truly say we too appre-  
ciated your company, and  
trust you will come  
again to visit us. Cousin  
John Moremen was out  
with Miss Jones two  
weeks ago - yesterday told  
him all of us were so much  
pleased with you. Father  
& Mother also were agree-  
ably impressed. Mrs  
Lam asked if we could  
prevail on you to visit

us again real soon. Thought Father has been very poorly  
and not ~~only~~ a lady for three weeks grew worse  
they name Bert in every last week and yesterday  
sense of the word. I was very sorry when  
I heard that you was  
coming that I couldnt  
get all my painting of  
floor & etc done so as  
to be moved in to the  
kitchen before you came  
for I dasliked to take a  
stranger into the kitchen  
~~wash room~~ to eat, but  
you ~~had~~ adapted your self to -  
the surroundings - very  
nicely & I quit worrying  
about it. I appreciated your  
assistance you gave me  
while I was so very busy,  
and perhaps some day I  
can lend you a helping hand

Father has been very poorly  
for three weeks grew worse  
yesterday and I feared it would  
be the last day on earth  
for him, but last night  
while Albert Moremen &  
Bob Will were sitting up  
with him he rallied -  
& talked to them quite awhile  
asked Bert if he didn't  
think Miss Emma Litts  
a very nice lady & wouldn't  
make a good companion  
wife. I don't know, Father  
may drop off at any moment  
but I think he may linger  
several days. He talked to  
Amy, Gus, & Aurelia yesterday  
afternoon gave them good  
advice - then a short time  
went to sleep slept a while

*Forward*



Miss Lady E. Clarkson  
*Big Spring*

Paris clay {  
Kly



for Miss Laddie

Brownville by  
the yard

My Dear Friend

I hope you will <sup>be</sup> so generous as to forgive my delay <sup>in</sup> writing you. I have reproached myself many times for not answering your very, very dear letters for I was quite a treat to know my daughter was loved so devotedly by one that has known her for so short a time. I feel to night that if I could be with you, I could take you in my arms and

love you as my child so please forgive my negligence and let it be known by answering my letter I trust you will come to Brownville this summer on a visit. I was kinder surprised and wondered who your letter could be from but when I read it and found it was a dear friend of Charlie's oh how happy I was and how agreeable the surprise was. Charlie has spoken of you often in her letters before

you wrote - me. I want -  
you to be sure and  
and visit - us this  
summer, and when  
you go home kiss your  
dear little baby brother  
for <sup>me</sup> forgive me that -  
I did not write you all  
this sooner and believe  
me Saddie Clark does  
I am much more your  
friend than ever  
before faithfully yours

Mrs Col Clark