

examination of the County along & High Sheriff,  
we are doing our best to turn these  
Benavos, sympathizers, out of Office, I know  
nothing to say about Mr. Faber but, Jackson  
is one of the most base faced, villain,  
amongst the Dec. 2000 ranks, I need a letter  
from John A. Plummer, his is well & in the best (10)

I expect a letter from you soon, I write to  
you lines & need you, your truly

H. S. Patten,  
J. H.

~~Richardson~~  
J. H.

Almond A. Richards Esq,  
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Maine  
St. Margt,  
Singer,

John A. Plummer  
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Fort Fairfield March 9th, 1849,  
Friend Richards

As a long time has elapsed  
since I heard from you I will pen a  
few lines to you and let you know that  
we are all enjoying good health here at  
present with a few exceptions. J. H. Savitt  
& a man by the name Jameson is no  
well but are on the mending hand.  
I suppose you want to know what  
we have been doing since you heard from  
us, we have <sup>been</sup> on the trading business.  
we have raised 37 horses from the Benavos  
trespasses this winter they have bought the  
horses back & gave ~~two~~ their notes for 350  
hundred dollars, that will help pay some  
of our Assortment bills it is better than  
nothing any way.

We have had a very  
pleasant winter here so far the snow  
is about 10 inches deep here now  
we have not much to do here now but  
guard duty I have been on guard about

a fortnight; I think I shall stick to it  
now as it is pretty easy work,

I have most concluded to stop six months  
longer at the same per month, I think  
it is better than I can do at home,

I should like to come home this spring  
but I shall be likely to lose my chance  
so I think it will be better for me to  
stop while I am here, I must tell

you how Mr Starnes & Mary Johnston  
come out with their wedding they got  
all ready to be married & the square come  
to the house about the time they got  
ready to stand up & have the knot tied

Miss Mary jumped into a slay & cut  
sticks for the province, a Yankee trick  
by god, what say you I dont no of any  
of more news to write you at present

if you come here this spring I want  
you to fetch me a vest and some pan-  
taloons from Daniels give mi best  
respects to Miss Bell, & all the rest of the  
folks write on the receipt of this, James Adams

Edward Deane Richards

Sir By the

politeness of Mr Adams & Mr Johnson  
with the opportunity of sending my Comps  
to you, I for once believe to be  
well supplied with what passes out  
to the New at this place with out  
Mr Adams has given them to you -

There is all kinds of business carried  
on at this place viz Saw Cutting, take  
ing Mesquites timber but looking  
to be the poorest of them all as it has  
it proving a failure do not think of any  
anything that would be interesting to you  
at this time when you have a few  
use moments please send me a line

Respectfully yours  
A. Richards

My Dear Sir, although it takes time  
to write a row yet I may write a letter  
It being however that of us have had  
a hand in this - I was out to Houston  
day before yesterday, to attend to an

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