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Mr Alvon Richards
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Wm. Henry Richards

Lowellville Mo

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Dear Brother Having ^{enjoyed} a few ^{days} leisure now

I intend to write you a few lines which will inform you that I am well and hope those things will give you the same. I did not mean that I was well only but also the whole of the family. Alas we all want to see you very much but as near my Mountain and valleys parts we must be contented. Alas I have not ^{enough} ~~time~~ to write you only of the excursions and deaths that ~~are~~ happen in this place but I will omit that at present one day

Last week I saw your officier James Bishop he said his folks were all well and he said that he had received a letter from you not long

since he said that he was glad to hear that you was doing well he said that he thought much of you ^{because you was such a steady fellow} and he said that he wanted Farnham's Mary and my

self to go and make them a visit he fore fears goes up to the Prestook he said that he should

come and fetch Hubbs down in the spring if convenient to make us a visit and likewise some if the convenient ^{time} we want that you should come

and make us a visit as soon as you can make convenient to ^{come} for the time seems long

since we have seen you likewise all the young people in this place would be glad to see you again.

Farnham says that he will get ready to come up to the Prestook with you in the

spring perhaps not within the first of June.

But he wants you to select him what as near you
as you can and he wants you to write to him again
soon and wants you to write some particulars how
the times are and what you are doing. They
winter and he wants to know how far it is
from London to your wife's letter. Mr. Mary was
at home of five weeks since on a short visit
she said that she wanted to see you and should
write the first opportunity that two or three
report on our last week's paper that two or three
Americaners have been shot on the boundary line
by a party from the other side it is expected they
will soon be seen. Mr. Hall has expected a
letter from you ~~that~~ ever since you left her
letter. "Wants" or "the" has taken the name of Daniel
Mcroy. Porter's is published to Miss. Rosina
Mr. Charles more the Deaths which before
Richard's and Harward Richards died
mentioned old Aunt Harward since Daniel
last Tuesday about three weeks since of Deser
level found his wife on the fifteenth of Decem
last that he began buried his wife on Satur
day the Israel Gardner was coming up the
road with his team and broke through but
he & his wife drowned his team was found
at about the pond about one hour after he left the mill
at about the pond. Said William
James Richards, Moses Rankins and horse were
Adams with two horses a sleigh and horse were
was coming up the road and they all plunged
yet in to the wagon was on the
wheel and body rose by that means got on
to the ice the other two would have drowned
had it not been for him but by a kind of
chance he got both of them out both horses
was drowned the next morning the body of
Mr. Gardner was found and was buried
now write as soon as you get this - you must
I am in love your affectionate sister
Nancy Richards Jr.

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February 5th

Dear Son

It is with pleasure I now sit down to pen

afew lines to let you know that I am yet alive and that I have not forgot you/we are all well and I hope this may find you the same we are glad to hear from you and we should all be glad to see you and so would all inquiring friends. ~~James Adams and his~~ Eds Manning sailed from Mobile last December there is a report that Return Chubb is dead he was in negotiations Olive is quite downhearted your grandmother and all of your uncles family ~~Almon~~ I am sorry you even wrote any thing about politics. Pa said it must be that you forgot juke you was writing too on you would not, have said anything against Jean Lumen or Jack, son but he wishes you well and hopes you will always prosper and be kind to them as but few can go before you in knowledge or understanding - your Pa's silence hurts my feelings very much and I am sorry to think that I will let such little things hurt him and such an amiable Son and I think it hurts your feelings too but I hope you will not hold hardness against your Pa. I wish you well and hope you will have true friends and I hope you will always walk in the path of wisdom and virtue. Almon I often think of the happy hours we have spent together when you used to come to visit us and I well remember your kind and generous acts to me and all the family and it often causes me to sigh when I think how many smiles part us you do not know how lonesome it seems now when Sunday comes I look and look in vain but I cannot see you I hope I shall see you again but if I should not I hope we shall one day meet in a better world than this you must excuse my poor scribbling I want you to write as soon as you can I write to you last September but I do not know as you ever got it! So no more but I remain your affectionate mother till death

Nancy Richards

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