

[May 1911]

Thursday Night—

My Dear Mr. Railey;

I received your welcome letter this Afternoon and I will also acknowledge that it was a pleasant surprise because you know you never reply so soon. I actually was frightened I was afraid you were very sick or was going to marry.

I am glad you are out home for I feel that you are not only having a rest but you are having a pleasant time. To be sure I am glad you are going to make the trip.

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Mr. Railey this neighborhood is certainly having a time with the Measles. It is about to break up my school. I had 32 regular pupils and there were only 8 out of 32 that had had Measles. I had 7 cases to break out yesterday at school. All of my pupils but 8 are now at home with Measles. I would not be surprized should I close my school. I have 4 more weeks but should I close I won't take up any more. I am very sorry but such is life.

Mr. Railey, I am delighted to think you are going to visit us. We are poor people as I have told you but we will welcome you just the same. I guess you will find

3# Things very much out of order
and quite rude but you must
remember the circumstances.
I was sick all last Summer.
Brother has been sick all winter.
Mother is never well and I teach
all the time so you will just
have to look over many things.
Laying aside all these things
I shall try to treat you the very
best I can.

You seem not so blue as you
were. Don't you ever get blue
again.

Say Sweetheart will you please
sit right down and write me
about the time you think
you will be here. As near as
you can. My School will be
out June 3. Will you be here
before then?

4# Now Darling don't fail to do this
as it would please me to know
about the time you will come.
Oh! Mr. Raileys I have looked for
you so much it will be quite
a pleasant surprise to me.

I am not very well so I can't
write a very long letter tonight.
Brother says be sure and come.
He seems some better today.

Mr. Railey, Now please come
for how many times have
I said this to you? Many.

I wish you were here for
breakfast - We are going to
have fish. How I wish you
were here this evening.

Be sure and ans. at once.

Your true friend
Georgia Ann

- Friday Morning -

My dear Aunt R.S.,

Your letter came Wednesday, - and it goes without saying that it was read with joy unexpressable. I

have not written you often this week, because you are so busy, I know you would not

get them before² Saturday. I
miss your letters so much.
Will be glad when you can
write me every day. I have been
having a splendid time this
week, entertaining my old friends
and visiting. My old friend
Mrs. Johnson, called Monday
night, and we had quite a

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nice time talking about "old
times." I staid all night with
Ethel Tuesday night. Was in-
vited to supper at Mrs. Jno. N.
Pothie Wednesday night. Frances
is back from Louisville, and
I enjoyed the evening very
much. I stayed at home
last night. Ethel is going to
stay all night with me - night.

We are going to a "mornlight"
in the country tomorrow night.
Ami not going to Blacksville
this morn. You may still
address your letters here. They
will be forwarded.

I might not get off ~~when~~
the time I expect to.

I would give any thing

to have you with me
this week. Am a sorry
you cannot come the
16th. But you must come
as soon as you can.

I must close now, as the
Postman can carry this to
the office for me. Please

write me a long sweet letter
Sunday. I shall also expect
me tomorrow.

Always your own,
Marye—

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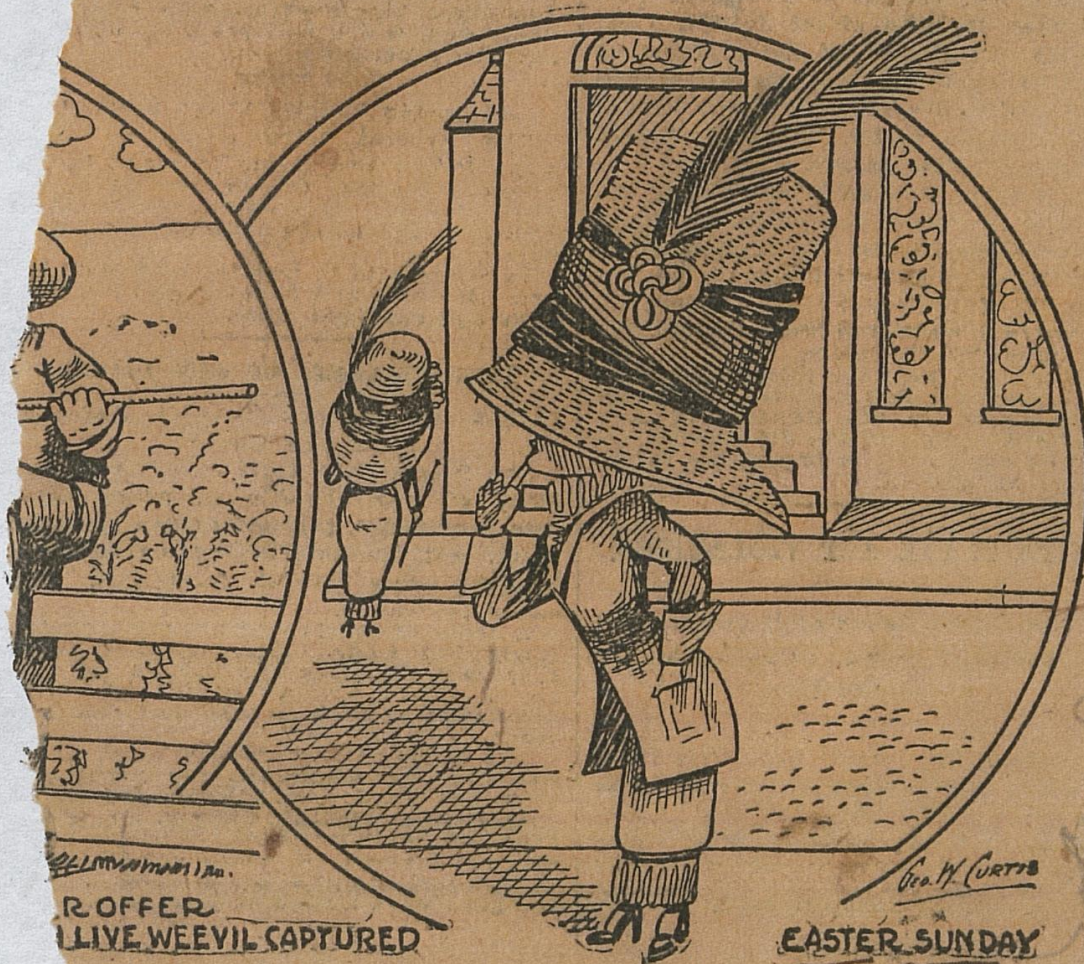
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Intervention Only Matter of Time.
 Just how long the President will per-



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Dear friend; -

I am at Pigeonville for a week, keeping house while Mrs. Harkness is visiting Will and family. Have a girl staying with me, and we are having a quiet time as all the children, except the oldest, are gone. It doesn't seem like the same place.

I expect Nettie down to night and we
are going to Glasgow tomorrow.

We made Nannie a little visit last week
and called at Dr. Harris. also. & now
live on that road. George Harris the young-
est child is very low with consumption.
looked so pitiful.

I have no plans for this summer, though
of course I mean to visit some.
Wish I could go to Little Rock as I have
never attended a Soldiers Reunion.
You always go, don't you?

Papa and "Miss Lou" are talking of go-
ing, but it is very uncertain.
Should you see them, please don't let
Miss Lou know that you ever hear from me.
Perhaps we can meet some where this
summer. Will see later.

Thought I would write just now
you a note before you left for
12 hours or I might never again
hear from you. The childrens paper was all
about you. Minnie

would be as beautiful as the
old home - Uncle Ben seems to
want to go - - - Sorry about
Uncle A. - - - But since they must
realize the seriousness of such
steps -

And the earth has on a new
dress? It is thick, but surely
can be the prettiest in spring.
It grows earlier here and there
is a certain luxuriance about
it - but for beauty in general, it
is inexpressible perfection, it
is Kentucky. It is the prettiest

Valley
Tuesday Oct.
May 2 [1911]

My dear dearest Jay:

It is so beautiful
today that it catches
it enough just looking
and thinking - I have to
talk, too. O, but its pretty
looks as though all
nature burst out on
May day. It gives
us such a rushy feel-
ing - - It rained two
days ago and cleared
all the air and sky

leaving the stars in there like
great electric Globes. - I
guess its especially delightful
because this juicy time is the
order of ~~the~~ yes walking
on the ~~the~~ of the robe -
Soon "fly like the wind" and
know "the gates are passed
and heaven is won" - all
going "fair" now - nothing
going on particularly sad
reviews and meanings.

I pilot the former and ignore
the latter. Funny things happen
in that space to detail. Their
deeds already falling on their
own heads. There'll be food
for laughter for years to come
when I do get out of here.

Well, you did tell me
news. - "Didst Cloud C. like
the Metropolis?"

Are sorry that Briggs is seeing
they will see of their summer
shade home. Still afraid of

travels - You ought to see my
new hat! I'm sending you a
clipping of it!! No less than the
book. Mine looks like a little book
no cap with a big bow on one
side. - Pretty -- yet make the
trip and we will dance. You
will never get to see for today.
With me just where you will.
Start and when I see Little Rock
for Dallas. - You must not
stop up" on me but hurry, for this
is such a curious place - I

stall in the Union - I
used to wonder over her
name for beauty. I
don't say much. And
I wish everybody could
see those trees and slopes.
But it is fine, and here
and a place of opportu-
nity.

And you think of making
Little Rock? How far
from here? Not far at
all. You know the corner
of Tex. Fancher Ark. a
very little more comparatively.

See the enclosed clippings from
Dallas News today. The rates are
nothing almost. You see. That
of course, from Dallas to return?
You will figure to get rates from
Tex. out here. Of course there
will be rates. Yes be sure
to come. I'm sure you'll enjoy
it and realize the good the trip
will do. Come on down to
see short of the "Forbidden Road"
and one glimpse of the "Po-
tentate". This is the finest

time of the year to see Texas.
Every where is green and pretty.
It is fine out at Wapaholic
so much more desirable than
the city. They are all splendid
out there. "Marion" is the
greatest "cut-throat" - we play till
they have to tell us where home
she is. Fine. Sweet down
there for spring shopping not
so expensive. Frances and I
had great fun going and
in the "sticky soil," when it

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want to be looking for you.
I by just think - I only
want weeks. I don't think
delightful - Hope you
can dance - - -

And you don't want to
speak on Temperance
just want: They are in
a fight out here on
the subject. Ben is
so interested in it - I
hope they'll win -

Finish more to tell
but will not take

The space now given have
all you can. Do look
at that Easter Sunday,
for a day -- I was in
Warsaw on Easter --

I must tell you about going
there the Oratorio, Eljoh, &
Russian Co., not long ago.
It was beautiful. Had it
out at the Fair Grounds &
The Colosseum --

Have the most well
as ever could be - the
fine --

And how are you
now, dear? Just well, I
will -- How goes the
old "country" on our
hills?

Will very soon at home
and see me when I shall look
for you -- Your dear,
Florence

[01 May 1911]

Dear Melancholy Friend:
I came in here, sat down
and started to grade my
book and I came across
your last letter, so reading
it again I decided that
when I ans. it, I did not
sympathize with you as
was my duty but Dear
Mr. Raily, You have all
my deepest Sympathy,
rest assured it comes
not only from a true heart
but it comes from one
who has been tried.

2# we must all by the help of
God be submissive to his calls.
It is hard to give up our
loved ones but we have a
just and merciful God,
who doeth all things well.

I too, have experienced even
more than you by death
but we have to take it.

You are right about us
missing them more all
the time. I, at least, do.

Dear Mr. Railey, let me earn-
estly persuade you to trust
more to the Lord. You say
nothing can heal your
wounded heart. I know
I can't but Darling your
heart can be healed by
the power of Jesus.

Trust the good Lord.

3#. This is Sunday morning,
What a lonely one it is too.
It rained all day yesterday,
hailed and we had a real
Storm. Brother is worse again.
I have a very little hopes of
his recovery though, if it be
Gods will, I trust I am mis-
taken. It rained all night, is
Simply pouring down now.
Mr. Pailey, have I at any time
written you any thing to
give you the blues, are you
weary of writing to me and
just hate to tell me? Often I
have asked you but you never
Ans. Do you mean silence
to be the Answer? You often
close by saying write me a
long letter. You know I always
do any thing you say.
I shall always do as you ask.

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And do you still intend to visit us this Summer if not I think you will have to have a visit from me. I have just about concluded you will never come. time is fast flitting, life is keeping pace with it. So you must think of this occasionally. I have the tooth-ache but there never has been any thing to keep me from writing to you. You, in my estimation, are worthy of any sacrifice.

I trust this will find you well, blues all gone and "as happy as happy can be"

Your true friend,
Georgia A. Arnett

Ms R. S. Bailey

Lansville

Feb 22 1911

My Dear Friend
Your interesting letter
I was received a few days
ago I was very glad to
hear again from you
for I am so lonesome
yes I get awfully lonesome to
girl called this afternoon
although I could be very
busy sewing every night
if I only could settle to
do so but I am nervous
or lonesome or something
well I guess it because I
don't know if I am

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going to be layed off as
and all so shall be
Printing office only and
big job and nothing
else in view as we
no of we have only 3 or
4 Printers left so as there
is only 2 of us girls in
Press room as we get
married so I expect they
will lay us off first
as this is a new
farmore things have
changed since the new
year so I dont know if
I hold my job as now.
of course I may get some
thing else to do well

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we have had some
cold weather last week
it tried to rain today
Louisville has some
very beautiful Electric signs
and park right by
Post Office and many
other ones which make
the city look much
nicer several new
theaters new stores I have
another big hotel to be
built back Seaford
I think when you come
you will see a big
change in the city of
course I dont no what
else is off there st

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you wanted to know
if I wanted like to
be your typewriter you
set Dear well I don't
like early in the spring
either for it gives me
such a lonesome feeling
but I like real summer
and winter well Dear you
wanted to know if my
sister Daisy was coming
back no indeed I just
rec'd a letter from her
Friday stating that the
man who she was working
for in a Printing office
went broke and owes her
some yet but she

bought and a Moving
 Picture Show in Pittsburg
 Paid 7-10 for it Paid 45
 a month Rent 15 dollars a
 month for light 5 for
 beams and was running
 35 dollars Picture this last
 week and has two boys
 15 years old and grand boys
 and a sister boys each 6
 a week and boy 2⁰⁰ a week
 and she sells tickets so
 she said Monday was
 her first night. And
 she has real well there
 to night and it was
 starring and apple and
 she has 2 gas stove

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She only runs it at
nights and Saturday
afternoons so I don't
know if she will do
good or lose she
says she knows she
can sell it right away
if she don't do well
I hope she does well
she will get married
in June I wish it was
me but I can't find
any one who wants
me I know I need a
rest as a change but
I guess from lack of
things I get it before
I want it yes I was

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so in hopes you
would spend a while
here I don't no where as
what to say but if
there is any change
I let you no but if
I am here I certainly
will be pleased to
have you visit me
no I hope I won't be
somewhere there you
certainly did lots of
work / you will
over work yourself to
dear and life isn't
worth living if we
health is gone &
you must have lots

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of summer there I have
been feeling so good in
the last 3 days I had a
very bad pain at my
heart & couldn't get back
as it still have it
yet I felt scared last
night my step father is
very kind at present time
I guess that what makes
me feel restless to night
I wish you was here
Dear I just love you (Hatta)
I am so homesick and
wonder what in the world
was you building a
telephone for how is
your folks how is your

905 west
Chestnut
Albion in Bond
excuse this
I had written
I had finished
but my pen
went dry
I write
at sunset
did not
get it

You where they are any
where how is all the
cattle I wish we was
going to take a trip to
Gather don't you as do you
well I let you know how
sister get along with the
I do let me if I have any
all your questions but if I
didn't excuse me as
it is getting bed time I
have a lot to tell you
but I tell you in my
next letter if you don't
wait so long till I get
it so I will close
with my love and
best wishes so
good night sweet
sweet dreams
Your friend
Albion in Bond
905 west

Lonesome

Borling Green Ky.

2-18- 1911.

Mr Portland Green Bailey
My dear friend.

I must ask your pardon
-again for my long delay.
I do not mean any harm
by waiting so long, it is
only a habit and one
I cannot quit very well.
How are you by this time
fine I am sure.

I am feeling fine and
sandy, we are sure having
fine weather for Feb.
I do not like to stay in
~~such~~ such weather as
this.

I thought you were coming.

so fast in ² this month I
have been looking for you
on every train that comes
from the north, when you
say you are coming I
know you will be here Johnny
on the spot.

I have you had measles
Bootsing Green is full of
them we have one case
in the house - and expecting
no more to take them.
I have had them I - am
glad to say.

we are still having a
wedding once in a while
one of our neighbors Mr Pott
Pott got married to who
- a go to night he had to steal
his lady too and another
one of our neighbor boys.

one of Mrs. ^{3.} Sledge's boarders,
Mr. Tom Cherd - and - another
one of our neighbors were
married last Sat night.
You may have met her
her name was Petterson
- and - a very sweet girl.
Did I ever tell you - about
Mr - and Mrs Fisher coming
back to B.G. They have been
back so long I - am sure
you have heard it
They - are living - at Rich Pond
I think it just beats - all
about - them coming
back. I was real glad to see
them but still I think they
did foolish - coming back.
I soon close - and - soon
as ever your friend D.F.R.

Grandview Tex as

2 - 14 - 1911

My dear Mr Bailey here I come once more
perhaps you are tired reading my letters, ~~but I will~~
but I will ask you to please write just once more
and explain your self. Now Mr Bailey maybe you
think I have bin false to you, but I will make
everything true I could have told you false
things but I did not, I was true to you, I have
certainly bin true to you as an angel, if I cant win
your heart and hand truthful, I will not falsely
I have invited you to my home, have offered every
thing possible if you would only come, and you
have refused to ans, I cant full understand why
you would treat me like this, I would give

Any thing most if you would come, but if you
do not want to come, of course I can't make you
come, every thing is getting pretty and green
here now, well I have your floss fellow worked and
it is pretty, but will you except it are not, well I am
going down with Mamma Hibbitts bear Sunday
to see her, she has just spent 11 days with me.
Well Mr Bailey please ans by return mail
and explain why you are not ans my
letters, of course when you become tired we
will discard, but it will be against my
will, please write ~~ans~~ by return mail and
say you are coming believe me to be
your own little girl I am

Darling Beloved:-

I have written you several times
but as usual have recd. no reply.
I miss Old Sep. Court is in Bloom.
Well, my hand is awful bad
but I just keep on trying to write
to you. You know how well I have
loved you but Common sense teaches
me that my days (for such) are short.
You always promised me you
would come but all in vain. I still
would be glad to once see you but of
course I could ^{not} write my hand is
so bad. What about you coming to
that wedding? Can you tell me if
you are going to be present?

Mr. Railly, I hate to tell you I am a
very miserable girl, why, Oh why,
did I ever place my whole heart and
what few brains I had on you when I
should have had sense to act differently.

Everything (some say) that happens,
happens for the best but to save my
life - I can't see why it is best for me
to be so very miserable and tie my
self to one that I do not love.

I am to night forced to believe it is a
false saying - ^{that} Every cloud has a
silver lining - I know (now) better.

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Sept 25, 1944

I am getting along just fine with my
School. My children all seem to love
and I love them dearly. What of the
I have a host of friends but it seems
I do not really appreciate it - I just
that if I can't love and be loved by the
ones I want too that I don't give a cent.
I guess I have the blues but I would
not be surprised if I don't live to see
the day that I have them worse. hope
not. Surely I'll never live to see the
day I'll feel as sad & forsaken as I
this night feel. I would much rather
be dead if I did not have such a
horror at the grave (worse than dying ^{to me})
I just wish I could close my eyes &
say I am ready to try another
world - I know it will equal if not
beat this one. I'll not tire you any
longer with this old blue letter.
My hand hurts so bad -

Kindly
Georgia Atlanta Arnold

I am sick, and Oh, my hand!

Ms. R. L. Bailey

Louisville

July 30

My Dear friend
Some time ago you
wrote from Glasgow
saying
I have not heard since
did you get the letter
or did it go astray well
it is real cool here
the last week well
my sister was married
in Va but none of
us went I was sorry

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afterwards that I did not
I spent my faith out
in the woods with
a friend I looked for
you... but received no
reply I am so lonely
here alone as I can't
~~you any more~~ here
to go with I am
still at work I
was so anxious
to hear from you
all about your
trip and land so
if it want so asking
to much of you
I shall write

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you to visit here
as did you get
married while away
tell me I think you
have treated me
very mean and I
feel it at heart
you could take a
run here every Friday
evening and leave
at Saturday afternoon
we could go and
take in the parks
and places why dont
you come dont be

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so mean I was not
that mean to you
I have not decided
what I am going
to do make a change
or stay I think you
have been a little
cruel to me so I
thought you did
harm me at first
sight but I don't
think you did that
for me now now
I should of tried
to see married other
men but I felt in
my heart you

did fall in love
but tell me is
there love in
this world my
mother thinks I
ought to be
seen looking
for a husband
and settled down
to but I felt you
went good the way
you talked so I
wish you would
come as we both
would know then
I should try to turn
against you if I

could if
possible
and one
will try
to go out
of the
good
and
and pay
nothing as
dam at work
and write a
while and
walk and
By try

July 20, 1911

Can't well any way
write at once and
tell me the reason
why you did not come
as I answer my letter
if you like to come
my sister her no is 922
Oakwood St Pittsburg
Pa Daisy Tennent.

so I am going to
be a K for a letter at
once and hope to see you
soon I remain your
true little friend
Alice M. Prohity
903 W Chestnut St
Pittsburg

My Dear Mr. Railey (This time)

I was more than surprised to rec. a letter from you - I did not even dream of ever rec. another line from you. Of course I was very pleasantly surprised to get your letter. I had not rec. a word from you since April 30 -

No, Mr. Railey I have not written you a word since you left. How could I?

My Brother is no better able to sit up and walk about some days. Some days can not move hand

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or foot. He has never been able to wash his face one time yet since Mch. 1.

He thinks he is better but I believe him to ^{be} growing worse day by day. He can't dress or get out of bed without both of our help. I am very poorly. Just able to be up because I have to be.

Mr. Railey! Oh, Mr. Railey! I just simply know not how or what to write you but I have always done just as you say. You said write as soon as you get this - So I shall always do

Just as you ask me to do.
That is, as long as I am
Georgia Arnett.

My Railey, it seems that I
do not understand your
writing. Of course I may
not possess sufficient in-
telligence to comprehend
your letters. I understood
you in ⁽¹⁾one letter to say you
were coming Xmas, in
⁽²⁾the next one you were
coming as soon as those
blessed Courts were over -
in the ⁽³⁾next one you were
going to stop over and see
me on your return from

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Texas- I learn you have returned and in this (4) you say nothing of it- I admit it was only dullness in me- I did not understand your visits- Its all perfectly well because Mr. Railey wanted it to be that way- Understand, your visit will or would be a real Heavenly delight to me any time- Mr. Railey you have a life time invitation a welcome one always. If you think you have done right I think so too. Nothing can ever prompt me to be ever offended at you.

#6-

I know you have had a real pleasant trip and I am so glad that you are well, happy and have been blessed to return to your happy home & loved ones. I, too, am soon going to make a visit. Mine of course may not be so pleasant but I trust it shall be one that will seemingly make some one happy. Mr. Bailey, I shall write you all about when I start, where I go and who is with me but I may not be as sweet as you were to write you all about my return.

#6.

Now Mr Railey, you know as well as you know your name that I love you above all in this world. Having given it, So a letter from you in return will be pleasantly recd by me but if writing to me is any burden to you, you know I love you too well to even worry you. I must say, and say it sadly I feel very bad and disappointed tonight. Should you ans. this I will write you letter next time. Kindly
Georgia

Rising Sun
6-21-1911

Mr. John + Geo. Powell.

Dear Cousins:

Your letter received all O.K.
I expect you think we are
slow answering this time.
Papa has been very sick.
with the gael Stone. there
was three weeks he wasn't
at the store at all.
so I had to run the business
alone and didn't have
time to do scarcely anything.
He is feeling better now
is able to be up the store.
his eyes are not much
better he can't see to read

or write yet, so I have to
do all the writing. He had
a little bad luck our clerk
got to knocking down on us
so we had to get rid of him.
We have got a fine boy now.
business is picking up some
now. Keep this still will
tell you about it when I see you.
Sarry Johns has been bad.
would like for you & him to
come in. I think we will
be able to sell your house. don't
know for sure. Mr. Abanion
is out of debt on the other
half now and said he might
buy the other this fall.

Will let you know if we
can make any trade with
him. Will write and let us know how
you both are getting along
and be sure and come in
soon as you can get off.

Yours
Stanley Powell

Monday Morning 9-50

My dear "R.G."

Will write you again
this morning, and mail

three-three letters this afternoon
and I hope to receive a letter
from you this P.M.

Mrs. and Mrs. Wainthol and Mrs.
Goodman came last night after
supper and staid until bed time
I had to recite for them. I have

to recite for every one that comes.
Lily has an invalid Aunt who
lives near here, and I have to
go down most every day and
recite for her. She says she for-
gets her "instruments" when I am
there. She is terribly weak and
I think so much of her.

P.S., I dreamed of you Saturday
Night. Thought you came to see
me and when you left, I dreamt

you, also ³kissed your eyes as I
used to do. I saw you just as
plain as I ever did. We were sitting
on the sofa in our parlor at home.
Wish I could see you now. Will
be glad when the train comes for
you to visit me.

"P.S." please tell me what it is
you are going to give me for
a birthday present. You have
aroused my curiosity, and I want
to know. You will tell me, won't you?

4.
Frank Williams' father-in-law (Mr.
Logan) and his family were at
church yesterday. Well — I am
surprised at Frank's choice! The
Logans do not move in the best
society, but the worst! I only want
you to stay until after the Fourth
You must write me every
day, if you fail to do so, I
will have the "blues" You will
"good bye"

write me every day, won't you?
You can write at night, surely.

I suspect I will go home Thursday.

But you can still address your
letters to Boyce and they will be
forwarded. Brother and Lily want
me to stay until after the "Fourth"
but I do not think I will stay.

I want to see Aunt Florence.

Always yours Ann,
"Goodbye" Mary

Thursday Night. 10-10

My dear Mr. Railey,

After investigating we find it impossible to be present at the Entertainment. All the horses in the stable are engaged for Sunday. So we cannot possibly come. When I wrote you last I thought we would be able to go to F - Saturday, but since that I have made other arrangements. We are going to entertain in the Christian Church, Dry Fork, Ky. Sat-

Monday evening but we have to come
home that night because Mr. Goodman
wants the horse Sunday morning.

We regret very much that we can-
not accept your invitation (or Miss
Crabtree) and assure you that
we would be pleased to be present.
Frances Paul and Hugh are going
with me to Dry Fork.
I have been rehearsing the ride tonight
- and am very tired.
They are getting up a play entitled

stage coach, - and I like it very³
much. My school will close next
week. —

I had a very sweet letter from Aunt
Florence today, - and I am "home
sick." I am heartily tired of this
little old place, - and I shall
see her I can stand it another
week.

Does Mr. Bralley aim to visit France
Sunday? - and are you coming with
him? I am dying to see you, but

I do not know either or not it would ^{be}
be the best for you to come. Or
-as you like - and think the best.
I have been sick or about half
sick for the last two weeks and
I am feeling dreadfully bad
now.

I had a long sweet letter from Mrs.
Potter Saturday. She sent me a
proof of her daughter Frances. I
think Frances very beautiful, and

will enclose the picture to you,
and you can return it. The
picture is made in her wedding
dress. She is now Mrs. Clander
Allen and resides in Lou. Ky.
I will have to write Mrs. Potter
about our affair. You know what
I have already written her — well
I will have to tell her the facts
in the case, now. I finally sent

her your letter, and she said she
loved you as good as you
seemed to be from your letter.
Say, if Mr Bradley come down
his Sunday tell him to bring
some clippers with from two to
four straps in the following numbers;
3 - $4\frac{1}{2}$ - and 5. - Frances and I
cannot get - every thing we want
here. Tell him to bring the best thin

is in town. We were coming out
there to do some shopping, but now
I guess we will not get to make
the trip. Of course if you come
you can bring those things, but if
you do not be sure and have Brad-
ley to bring them, and make him
come, because we need the
slippers for Mr. Gray.

Well, I will have it close.
Give my love to all friends

and use it a large share for your
self. (Cap) ya will not feel
disappointed because we did not
get to even.

Ac ev,

May 22

Sunday P. M.

My dear "R.S.,"

Mr. and Mrs. Scam Dun-
can took dinner with us
to-day and we all went to
Sunday school and church
this afternoon. I have just
gotten home. Did not enjoy the
service. Was thinking about you

all the time, - and wondering
what you ~~were~~ doing.
Wish you could be here, now.
I am so lonely. See some
boys coming. Will have to close
and entertain them.

+ + +
Hello, R.G.,
Here I am again. The
boys (Mr. Willoughby and
Mr. Kirby) did not stay long.
They are Lily's cousins. I have

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not got stuck in any of
these hedges yet. Have not
seen any that suit me. You
may well know that I will
never love any one, but my
"oh." I never did love any one
else. You are the only one
that I can ever love.

I must close now.

Goodnight, Your own
Marge"

Saturday Evening. 6-20.

My dear "R.Ls."

I received your Wednesday's letter yesterday, and your Thursday letter today. Was delighted to get them. It is raining and I did not get to go to the P. O. today. That is why I am writing you so late. The Postmaster sent my mail to me. Nice wasn't it? About the Livery bill — I paid Goodman all I promised to pay him, and you need not see

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any thing about it. I was to pay him two dollars and pay the ferry-age which amounted to fifty cents. Nothing was said about his other expenses. He paid his own living bill I suppose. He never said any thing to me about paying it. Nor did he say any thing to me about the other bill. When I gave him the \$2.50 he said that was alright. I did not care for the extra 25 cents, — but it is a poor

man that ^{2.} cannot stand up to
a contract. He simply thought I
would pay for his services, and
say nothing about it. But I have
quit that way of doing. When I
hire a man to do a thing for
me, I generally pay him what
I promised him, and no more.
People have "dogged" me out
of enough - and from this day
forward I expect to have an
an agreement and I shall al-

ways do what I say I will, and
I expect to compel other people to
do the same.

Mr. Goodman told Francis he
would carry my trunk over to
S — for me, but said I
would certainly pay for it!

Francis sent it by Mr. Eaton.
I had a long sweet letter from
Francis yesterday.

About Mrs. Wheat — yes I met

that is — I ⁵⁻ saw her over at Dudley
mce. never had an introduction to
her. Simply saw her. I was visiting
cousin Harvey Napier, and she
came in one morning to borrow
some dress patterns. I had
forgotten her — never thought
of her again — until I went to
Fourville Run. She told Frances
she knew me, and would like to
see me, so one day a canoe-across

her in the P.O. I did not know
her. She introduced her self - and
seemed very glad to see me. Of course
I treated her with common politeness,
but I never "embraced" her. She
acted very familiarly - (those
people always do, you know) in-
sisting on my visiting her. She
acted exactly like I had known her
a life time. Well - of course I
left her as soon as I could. The

next time I saw her was at
the graveyard the day Mrs. Stein
was buried. She was very familiar
again: I simply spoke to her —
answered her questions, — and
left her as soon as possible.
Well — I suppose she thought
I ought to have gone into a "state
of ecstacy" when I saw her, — and
as I did not, she got angry.
The time I saw her, — and spoke

and she failed to respond. I did
not care whether or not she spoke.
I never have associated with the
"lower class" and never expect to.
I always treat every one kindly (you
know I do, even the negroes) and that
is as much as is expected of every one.
And if every one wants to get angry
for simply nothing, I can't help it.
Fannie will tell you that I treated
her alright. Fannie also told me
that Mrs. What did not belong to

The "upper ⁹ four hundred." I had
seen six years since I had seen
her — She has an excellent memory
hasn't she? +
You know I told you I was
going to Missouri — well I
think now I will be there
before this time next month. I
had a letter from St. Louis
to-day saying they were to come. If
I do not get a position to teach

within the next ¹⁰ two weeks; I am
certainly going, and of course I
will not get a position to teach,
now. Most all schools have em-
ployed their teachers, ere this. I
shall go home sometime next
week (if brother will let me) and
get "Cousin F.", to help me make prepa-
ration for my western trip. Will
you write to me, after when I
am gone? I suspect my "A.B." will
forget me, when I am gone. You will

no longer ⁽¹¹⁾ remember the "little
Spanish girl" that loved you
so dearly. You will be busy with
your political work, - and will soon
forget me. Perhaps I will be
-able to write you fully about
my intended tour next week.
I am sorry about Ina. I would
like to talk to her about an hour.
I do not think it funny, or any
joke at all. I can see deeper
than that. No it isn't funny! It might

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terminate seriously.

Hope you all the success possible
in your campaign.

I did not write Mr. Justice, as
you said you had rather I should not.

Mr. Justice is an old student of
Prof. Perry's - and I thought he might
be of some assistance to me in
getting a position in the Woodburn
College. However I shall do as
you say.
I must close now. Will write you again

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tomorrow, and Sunday.
Yours,
Mary

"Goodnight"



Loose Item

Lansville

Mrs R. E. Riley June 2 @ 1911

as I am so lonely
I am going again to write
and see if I can get a
few words from you as
has something happened
I feel if you receive this
letter you might to write
a few words I am still
here wanting to see you
I must say I have spent
a pleasant summer I miss
my sister Daisy she was to
be married this month
but I haven't heard &
was going up there last
Saturday but I didn't

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Maybe the firm where I
work will let Bailey I do
think you have been off
mean to me some times I
wish I could send you
because you have worried my
conscience will get forgiven
will I spend most of my
evenings alone in my room
shedding bitter tears think of me
I wish you would write a
few lines if I have seen I
may stop at your town for
a few days at near so let me
hear from you soon

worried friend

Alice M. Prank
905 W. Chestnut
St.
Lansville

Good By

(1)

you sweet baby you.

Wednesday Night.

Oh! My God it is 6:30 and I am in the dining room writing to you with a broken heart. Yes crying and at the same time praying for God to take me this night.

I am sick, disheartened, sad, and forsaken. I am going to write you a long letter and I am going to tell you all - every thing and I want you to answer.

Darling I cried all the way to school and cried when I got home. Bro. is mad at me but I don't care a cent. Mama said you cried
(over)

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She said you seemed like
your feelings were hurt
after you came back this
morning. Brother began to
rare on me about me
telling you I was on Mrs.
note - said I acted a fool
for telling you any such.
Darling what made you
tell him a blame thing.
Mr. Raily I will tell you all -
I am on Dr. Arnett's notes
for \$500. I borrowed the
money at the bank mort-
gaged my home and turned
the insurance over to the
bank. I have 2 notes
against Dr. Arnett as
follows. (1) 138. (2) 131. 44

(3)

(3) ^{\$}20. (4) 173.00 (5) ^{\$}5-5

(6) 148.28 (7) 6.00 (8) 100.

(9) 5.00. All these have been
leaving inst from some
in 1908 to present time.

then besides these I have
let him have lots of
small checks. I let him
have \$80. last Saturday
and lots of \$5 & \$6 & \$8 checks
I have never counted it all
up. Mr. Bailey I will tell

you every thing and I
want you to tell me just
exactly what to do and I
will do it. J. B. owes me
I guess about \$100 but I
don't count it a cent. he
never would give me a note

(over)

(4)

now here is just how it
all stands when my
sister died. What mama
had that came by the
Aunt side had to be di-
vided so she ^{had} at that time
a farm. She sold it and
each one got our part.
I believe she sold the farm
for \$3000. I took my part
and bought me a house
and lot in the city of
Henderson - paid cash for
it and have kept it up
well. Mama owns a nice
little home in Robards
and did own a home at
Brushy Station but the
house burned down so
(over)

5)

Mr. Raily. Mamma has only
that place at Robards
she only gets \$6.00 a month
rent for it so of course
she takes half or more to
keep up expenses. taxes etc.
I am treated worse than
a dog. I have to foot every
bill. I buy everything
we eat drink and wear.
Jalbot has never bought
5¢ worth in all his life.
He won't work, never
would. My expenses are
more than you think.
coal - corn - taxes, and
meat. we always put up
800 lbs. of meat every year
(over)

(6)
Of course I have to pay
high for every thing. I
Jed Talbott, do his washing
ironing sewing and all.
Besides all our home ex-
penses I help my Brother-
in-law with his children
I give them about \$5 or \$7 5-
a year. I stay at home
work hard treated like
a dog and have nothing
much. Dr. Amitt charges
me for every cent I get as
high as he does any one
else. So did Talbott always
do the same. I am a fool
for doing such a blame
way. Now under the
circumstances you can
plainly see why they don't

(7)

don't want me to marry
or have company. Why
can't I die?

Darling This is the reason
I am going to marry.
You will understand
the way of it all so you
sit down and write me
just how to do (the best)
and I will do it if they
drive me from home.
I don't believe you will let
me suffer - I know you
won't - You love me don't
you darling

Mr. Raily lets us get it
all fixed up straight and
lets us marry Xmas
week. - Over

(8) you help me - I have done
all I could to make you
happy -

Yes dear I am weak thin
and sad - How could I
be any other way -

Wish you and I marry
and go to some new
country take me out of
all this trouble and I will
gain my health - Mr. Bailey
don't think me boasting
when I tell you 4 years ago
I was counted beautiful -
I weighed about 133 had
such large breasts, arms
legs and hips - was
counted the prettiest form
girl any where - I have
gone down to nothing

(2)

Mr. Railey if I could marry
you and get in the family
way I believe I would get
all right. Less try it. Xmas.
I worry more about you than
any thing else - you said
I should be your bride if
I wanted to. Now sweet
heart I want to be.

I love you too dearly - I have
given my life for you.

I never saw a girl go
down like I have lately.
I have fallen off 9 lbs
these last 2 weeks I only
weighed 106 today.

If we were engaged I
could eat & sleep but as
it is I can't. (over)

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I don't sleep any at all -
I will meet you any where
on earth to marry but
had rather marry here.
I would never murmur
at a word to you - I would
not care if you got me in
the family way 10 minutes
after the ceremony or if
you kept me that way
all the time. Darling I
was afraid you were so
large you would hurt
me but you would not
would you -
Oh! how I wish I was

(11)

with you tonight - just as
I was Sunday night.
I wanted to do as you said
but was timid and afraid.
I have my head set on
marrying at once and
I will do it. I want an
educated man too.
I want a man like you.
How I wish I was down
there with you tonight.
How lonely it is without
you. No one to kiss. No one
to say good night.
I am just crying big.
Say doll are you coming
in November? tell me
everything. Your girl
loves you and you must

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love me. Darling I am
going to try to get well

but I can't away from you.
You are to blame for me
being in such bad
health - yes you are.

Darling if you would
write me long letters &
often I would get
better. Say sweetheart
I want you to bring me
a nice little watch & chain
when you come in Nov.

Did I expectd you to bring
me something when you
came but just so I got
to love you - Love is all.

(13)

Say, I want you to add -
my letters as follows -
- (Miss) Georgia Annett,
Madisonville
Kentucky

R. F. D. # 6 -
Box 123. Of W. J. Hunter.

You do this and I will
get them at my school
house - I am afraid
J. B. will get them down
here -

write as I say - tell me all
any thing and write at
once. I am going to do
just as you say about
every thing on earth.
By you

1911

(100)¹⁰⁰⁸⁾

1000000000000 Kisses

Minnie is not married
but people think she
should.

My Dear Mr. Railey:- I rec
your welcome letter to-
day and as usual was
glad to hear from you.

You said you wrote me
a long letter. If you did
I never rec. it. to-day
was the only line I have
rec. from you since you
left.

I have nothing of inter-
est to write you. I don't
know what or how to
write you. (now)

I shall never again bur-
den you with any of my
troubles. they shall rest
yrs rest. I can bear them
alone awhile - (over)

2#.

No, Minnie did not marry.
She is back at school every
day. Mr. Railey, I have one
thing to say to you and
that is: Just as long as
I live you have a welcome
and lasting invitation
to visit me (as long as I
am living). I have to night
laid down every burden
and shall cast every thing
at Jesus' feet. Come what may.
You did not say answer
but I supposed you expected
me to answer.

Mr. Railey, are you not tired
of my letters, are they not
a burden to you, had you
not rather I would
not write any more, have
you not better correspondents,
and don't you want to

³ stop writing, arnt you tired
and weary of me, but
knowing my admiration
for you, you just hate to
tell me so? Ans. This honestly.
I, of course am not weary
of writing or admiring
you but thinking of you
as I do, it would be cruel
in me to want you to - do
those things that contain
no pleasure for you.

Are you not too busy to
write me? You surely are.
I certainly once had a
heart (if not now) and I
must not do or say or
hint another word to cause
you any trouble - I will not.

Please never speak of me
as loving "another man".
That other man lives not.

- over -

^{4#} Mr. Railey, do not write me
only when you see proper
and don't worry about
writing long letters or about
writing often - time and
length are only mere seconds
to me and such is life.

You have my best regards,
warmest wishes now
and forever where ever
you are or wherever
you may go.

I shall as usual be de-
lighted to receive an an-
swer if you want to ans.

Life is fleeting so are
we. trusting this will
find you well and happy
I as ever (forever) remain,

Your Kind Friend,
Georgia Arnett.

all the
children
say Hello!

Nov 19, 1911

I wrote you a letter last night and
said in it that I would not tell you
any of my troubles again but I hear
now why have you treated me as you
have. Why did you go back to my home
that last morning after leaving me and
tell T. B. every word & thing that happened,
He threw it up to me this morning, said
I was nobody or I would not have acted
and talked to you as I did - said I
told you I had female trouble - Oh! I
said it is a lie - it was not but I did
not want him to know I had any such
talk with you - Darling you said, Georgia
I will never tell a word on you.

Mr. Bailey, I cried all night and this
day I want to die. I love you just the
same but why did you go and tell all
just to have me in hell sooner - What all
did you tell? What time I have to live
please tell me all - Ans. for I sure tired
of Life to-day.

Nov 10, 1941
Madisonville

don't ever Breathe I wrote
you about this.

Oh! Darling I
can't avoid
saying I do only
love you just
the same.
Always will.
Don't send that
medicine.

Saturday Night
Beloved Darling:-

I am just so very
lonely that I can not
go to bed until I write
you a short letter.

We had a light snow
here this morning. it was
just beautiful. flakes were
as large as a Dollar (nearly)
They would melt as quickly
as they reached the ground.
As I stood by the window
watching them it re-
minded me of a School-
girl's first Love. Only a
glimpse - Then gone.
Mother spent to-day
over at Dr. Arnetts.

2#

I was here most of the day
all alone - How, Oh, how
many times I did wish
you were here with me but
of course nothing is what
we would have it - Is it?
Nothing is what I would
have it for if it was I
would be right in your
Arms never to turn loose.
Mr. Railey, you have no idea
how I hated to tell you
good-bye. You will never
know but perhaps the
day is fast approaching
that you will be permitted
to "imagine" how well I do
or did love you - Only you.
Good Night -

- over -

Sunday Morning-

Darling I was Sick all night! My nose bled all over my gown & pillow. I have the head-ache this morning.

I am real silly about blood it always scares me to see it.

Mr. Railey, Mother said when she told you good-bye, she asked you back but said you made no answer. Mama was perfectly delighted with you and of course you know I was more than delighted. This is a gloomy day for me but I am use to such days. I'd die if it was not for writing you-

4#
till I had to put up my writing
My nose took a bleeding spell and
I am awful weak and nervous.
Oh! Darling my nose never bleeds
and I am so afraid it is some
bad sign. I hope not. Next Sun-
day is time for my - - - - - SS
and how glad I will be if I come
abright for I am scared to death.
Darling, I am so tired of teaching.
I do wish I was down there
with you never to leave you again.
I have very little hopes of ever
seeing you again on this earth.
I wish I had never seen your
picture, unless I knew I was
going to be your wife. I have
loved you too dearly. I have
devoted every thought to you
for 4 years or will be 4 in Mch^{17/2}.
Every breath has been for you.
I wonder how many of yours
have been for me. Any?

5#

Be sure and tell me if you are coming any ways soon, you promised but will you come? Mr. Railey, I know you did not have as pleasant a time as you anticipated but under the trying circumstances it was the best possible. I am more than sure I did my part as well as I could.

We were not together much. I did every thing you asked me and did it lovingly & with all for your pleasure.

You have no room to complain on my part. Oh, Mr. Railey this old year will soon be gone and I do wonder how many of us it will take with it,

How many changes will there be in 7 more weeks? No one can tell, can we Dearest One.

6# If I can't be with you, I trust
that 1912 will not be greeted
by my presence. You can't
blame me nor can I blame
you if you don't love me but-

I won't finish the
line above for it is useless.
Now Doll I shall expect a
long loving letter from you
next week and all the
hopes I have is just to
wait and see if I rec. it.

I will now close and only
say - Good-bye, loving kisses
and warm embraces from
your true & tried

Georgia Arnett.

Darling my Birthday is
Dec. 21 and I want you
to send me something
nice - if you don't I shall
be mad at you.

Girard, Pa.

Oct. 15, 1911.

Dear Col. Bailey:-

This lovely Sabbath-evening marked by its perfect peace and quietude finds me replying to your message which found its way into my life on yesterday, adding another voice welcomed one to the "packet" written by a cherished hand.

Would that I were gifted most eloquently, both in pen and thought; that I might in glorious hours respond to these messages so deeply appreciated, but

since I possess neither the
one or the other, I have hoped
that my promptness in re-
plying would convey to
you some idea, if no
more, of the depth of my ap-
preciation, and should it
determine to you that, it
would not be an error-
ous impression by any means.

For me generosity shows
their appreciation by their
promptness in replying.

I was thinking of replying
further to your letter but
did not know where to ad-
dress you until yours
came yesterday, telling me

you would return to Dorchester
Green tomorrow or Tuesday.

And again something seems
determined to thwart my pur-
pose to write you a long letter.
Before lack of time prevent-
ed me - Now, since I com-
menced writing, I find I am
out of stationery. - You will
therefore excuse me please,
if I use two kinds.

Yes, I am always interest-
ed in political events and
races and always disap-
pointed when a candidate
I think most fitted to fill
an office is defeated.
For instance, when Mr. Prescott

Governor was elected (Hoke Smith)
I was sorry. His honor, is
resigning to take his place
as Congressman when I
hope that ex-governor Brown
will be again elected.

Another subject which has
interested me too are Watson's
articles on the Roman Cath-
olic Hierarchy. He is also
writing a history of the
South and West which I
like. Have you ever read
any of his books?

Our State Fair was held
this year at Macon during
the "Old old Fells of Ga."
We also have another Fair,

The Ga. Carolina Fair to be
held at Augusta Ga. early
in Nov.

Our pastor, Rev. Smith
of Ellenton, S. C. a native
of Penn. and his excellent
wife have invited a cousin
of mine and I to attend
the Appalachian Exposition
next year, and said for us to begin
preparations right now
in order to be ready a
year hence.

He visited Knoxville in August
but regretted not having post-
poned his visit later so he
could have been present at the

Exposition. Of course we ap-
preciated the invitation but
many things may happen
in that length of time to
conflict with our plans.

Both my brother and mar-
ried sisters are urging my
father to lease his farm
another year and move
to the City. It may be
he will decide to do so.
He is up and going but
has never been entirely well
since his severe attack
last year.

Do you not think Pro-
vidence has been especially
kind to us in our

becoming acquainted,
in bringing about - a cor-
respondence which has
proven so congenial?

And should we decide to
blend our hearts in bliss-
ful unity, and if a down
the long vista of years
perfect happiness is ours,
we can but reverence Him
who doeth all things well.

No letters I have ever
rec'd have ever impressed
me so much as yours,
so bright - intelligent - bright,
and so ever conveying to
me the high esteem and af-
fection in which you hold
me - Indeed, I realize that -

These are not idle words
spoken in flattery, but sin-
cere and true elicited by
your long correspondences
with me and seeing my
picture. And in turn you
must know that I have been
deeply impressed else I would
not have continued to corre-
spond for so long, or given
you so much time and
thought. - The noblest
sweetest thoughts I have
ever given any one are
yours, and I only await
your coming to learn
if it does not mean happi-
ness for us.

I think we can not be
mistaken, but we will
consider everything for
I am sure that only

deep, true affection and love
can ever justify the holy
bonds of matrimony.

Unless I feel sure that I do
really love another I shall
never enter such a compact.

I have tried to speak frankly
and I am sure you appre-
ciate it.

What do you think of this?
My eldest living sister's first-
sweetheart was a lawyer,
my second sister married
a lawyer and here I am
finding interest in me. - You
really must think that we
are partial to that profession.
While I think that those of the
ministry and law are the choice pro-
fessions I shall be guided by what
I think of the individual. I am feeling
well the morning. Wish I could have
much more. Hoping to hear from you
soon. Most sincerely, Elizabeth Lovett.



Loose Item

My Costly Beloved:-

You mean, sweet, mortal why don't you answer my letters?

I have waited on you until I have decided you are not ever going to write again. Perhaps you are busy but it does seem you could find time to write a line or two.

My hand is improving rapidly but the way I have to hold my pen causes me to write awful coarse. I always did write large but my teacher taught me that way, so I have never from it departed.

A surprise "Wedding" -

Our mail carrier, Miss Virge Staples, stole a march on us. About three weeks ago she took her vacation and went to visit her brothers who live in Ark. & Mo. So she telephoned Tuesday morning to her mother that she was at the State Capitol - Little Rock and had just been

married. She married an unknown correspondent. they had been writing about 2 years. I heard a moment ago that she met him once a year ago while visiting in Mo. She is awful ugly but is a brave, good girl. I wish her well.

Sunday Morning
Hello Angel!

None of us went to mail box yesterday but Brother went while ago and brought me a letter from you, you precious darling I was so glad to hear from you. My finger has improved wonderfully the last 10 days I, of course can not use it nor may never but only trust I will.

To be sure your remedy would be a sure cure but it is so far off. You just won't tell me when you are coming I don't believe you would come if it would save my life. I would do any thing for your pleasure. Even at the cost of my life. You may not believe me but its true.

I believe you said write you a long letter - surely you did not mean it for you wrote me an awful short letter. I always do as you say every time. This is an awful cloudy morning and lonely is no name for Georgia. How delighted would I be were you here. Sweetheart are you ever coming? No, I have no idea of ever seeing you once. We did not go to Evansville, will go later. It will suit me to go better then. I wish you were here and I would love you to death (almost) I have no idea how to go about it but "where there is a will, there is a way" - ha! ha! I'll try.

Darling I must see you soon or you may expect to receive a funeral card. Mr. Reddy, I have recently gained some I weighed $113\frac{1}{2}$ yesterday. That is not much but it is better than 104. If you don't hurry and come between now and Xmas or Xmas I may

wigh more by next June. I mean if I marry. I am not anxious to increase my wight that way but shucks it is nearly always the case when we marry. You say you are not, but I bet there would be a little 'Railly' in 10 months. Bad girl am I not? well you just kep telling me stories about coming and that makes me bad.

I always said I would not marry an ugly man. I just could not sleep with a real ugly man but I must not dwell much on beauty for I am not at all pretty but am not as ugly as some I see every day. I never expect to marry a real ugly man, never expect to try to love a ugly man. I could not try it. I never expect to marry or love a man that is not intelligent and educated. As to the rest I have nothing to say. not a word. I only say my husband must be reasonably handsome and sensible

I think I could help make a man a living, could reform him any way except in Brain and beauty.

Sweetheart my hand hurts me and I must not write much longer.

Hurry up and come, come to stay or let me go back with you, do what you are going to do by Xmas. Won't you soon tell me when you are coming, Darling I suspect you get tired of me asking you this but I never tire of Bidding you come. Come and I'll kiss, hug, pet, love you and do anything else you would ask me. Oh! What an inducement! I will now close expecting after such an inducement to see you come by return mail.

Your true friend

Georgia A. Arnett til you
come, or tell me you are
not coming

To you. Kisses as many as leaves in the world.

Sunday Morning —
Hello Darling!

I am very sick this morning. I threw up and coughed nearly all night. Have an awful sore throat and dreadful pain in my breast and bowels. Mr. Pete is here came early this morning. said he believed I had Pneumonia. Mama wanted to send for Dr. Arnett but Baby I was afraid there was something the matter with me & I knew Dr. Arnett would find it out. He is a knowing Dr. too. Mr. Railey. no one here at home is good to me as they should be.

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J. B. got mad at me yesterday.
I wanted to go over to the store
to get me some stamps. I said
will you hitch up for me - he
said - I can do it but there
is no sense in it. I said
"Dog gone" it I don't care if there
is no sense in it or not I am
going - He said I guess by
the time some man marries
you & takes you to Mexico and
have your head cut off you
will do like others. I said
No it would be too late then -
He cuts me off every breath.
I told him I would not
mind to have my head cut
off if the right man did the
work. He knows when ever
Georgia Arnold marries then
he will have to work for a
living - I wish I could see

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you and tell you just how he
treats me. I won't be able to
teach tomorrow. I am not go-
ing to take a thing either—

Southheart your friend is
very poorly and awful blue.
~~I can't stand life (here) but~~
a very few weeks. I wish
I was with you, or you were
here with me. Life is not
what we make it! No, it is
what others make it for
us!—I am sure I am not
going to live much longer
unless I was your wife.

Mr. Bailey. You might start
out this day and search
the world over and you
would not find a woman
on earth that loves you as
I do. No, you can never find her.

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I will live or die for you. but
I believe I will die for you.
my love for you (only) has
sapped life and nerves from
my body. I have killed my
self for you and I guess
you will never know how I
loved you. No, I today have
my doubts as to even God
knowing.

Mr. Raily please be better to
me I have always been
good to you - who could have
been better? I am deathly
sick and shall go to bed

Sunday night -

Oh! I have been so sick all
day - have not eaten a bite.

Say - Doll I had a letter from my
Friend I was telling you about.
He said - Georgia I am now con-

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vined after thorough investigation that you love another & care nothing for me but I bet you will regret treating me as you have but less considerous selves acquaintances and nothing more. No ans. expect Mr. Railey I ans. any how. I told him he was exactly right but I hoped I had nothing to regret. He is a perfect gentleman. I'll tell you what I believe. I believe that girl told about meeting us in flats. Honey if you were here we would go to Bethlehem to church to night and we would have a good time again. Mr. Railey I took cold lying on the ground that night. Don't ever ask me to lie on the ground again. You know I will do any thing you ask me.

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Mr. Railey, I believe firmly you got
me — — for I am so hungry
not to day - I throw up every bite.
Darling Mother wants me to
go to Anderson Nov. 30 to visit
my sister's children - Will you
meet me there. but I don't
know about it. Say put you
told me you were coming
back to see me Nov. 21 (about)
Are you or did you just tell
me that to pacify me? I am
expecting it with my whole
heart - Mr. Railey, Mr. Railey, I
can't stand the trouble, mistreat-
ment, trials and troubles I
have to put up with - I can't -
I don't want to - I don't have
to - Death is an easy thing -
soon over - soon forgotten.
Don't you believe I am right?
I am so sad - you have not
written - you I don't believe

(7) you
are going to. Sometimes I come
to the conclusion that you realize
you have the advantage of me
every way (I having written you
such letters as would condemn
any woman on earth) and that
you don't care. You know too I
love you and would clear you if
it took the price of my soul to
clear you. Not one blur or spot
will I cause you. You need not
think I will ever breathe even
one breath against you. I love
you too dearly. Darling come
back to me! Oh! how I love
you. I was sick Friday all
day. Had a high fever. My
face was flushed & my
breath was short. At noon I
laid down and Sory came in
the room and said Miss
Georgia let me sit down on the

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Recitation lunch and you put
your head in my lap so you
can rest and maybe you can
go to sleep. I said well. I
lay there and she laid her
sweet soft hand on my
burning cheek and I could
feel & hear heart beat fast.
I heard her sobbing. I opened
my eyes and said, Why
sorry what is the matter?
She just cried and all I
could get out of her was this
Miss Georgia you look so
bad I just feel as though you
will not get well if you
take Pneumonia. I said
Sorry what on earth has
caused you to love me as
you do? She said I can't
tell but Miss Georgia did
you know we all worship

I worship you. I said well sorry
I hope I will die loved by a
pure love like yours. She
cried all the evening - could

not recite a lesson - everytime
I coughed she would cry. I
said out loud. Sorry are you
sick? She said Yes Mam
I am so sick I can't say
my lessons. Mr. Railey did
you notice how Mr. Robertson
and all his children love me.
I can't fix this up unless
Sorry has been warned some
way that my days are short.
She sits down by me often
at play time and fixes my
hair and never leaves me to
go to play without kissing me.
There is something strange
about her towards me. She
has been that way all school.

10 She said Friday morning
when I met her these words
Miss Georgia, Mama, Papa,
Katie and I all dreamed
about you last night. I said
what did you dream. She
seemed sad and said,
Wait a while longer and I
will tell you. I believe she
dreamed I was dead.

Mr. Raily. Why is it that we
are so costly beloved by
some and that the ones we
want to love us? I am sad
and you have got to come
to see me next month. If
you would only tell me in
plain words that you loved
me and intended to marry
me Xmas I could lay
down every thing and be a
Happy girl completely happy.

Mr. Rowland Railey,
Tompkinsville
Kentucky

Oct 8, 1911

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Madisonville Kentucky
Aug 7/1911

Mr R. G. Farley

Dearest Friend:

It is with the greatest of
pleasure that I take in
answering your letter or
I am having one of my
pupils to ans for me
rather I have a dreadful
finger a bad bone fel-
low you may know what
a time I am having
I am getting along fine
with the exception of
my finger brother is
some better than he was

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When I wrote you last.
I have been having bad
luck my horse had to be
killed about three (3) weeks
ago some of the horses kick-
ed him and broke his
right lower limb and he
had to be killed I am drive-
ing Dr Grunett's horse now
I will certainly be delighted
to have you visit me this
summer and I'm sure
brother will be glad to have
you come I am getting along
nicely at school my hand
hurts me a great deal But
I bear it the best I can

(3)

you know I think every
thing is done for the best.
I am teaching at Wilson's
have forty (40) pupils enrolled
When you come you must
visit my school be sure and
come right away. Well, I
must not burden you longer
so I must close ^{with} the hope of
of hearing from you soon.

Wishing this find you enjoy-
ing the best of health I am.

Affectionately Yours.

Georgia Grunett.