

Rec'd Dec 23rd
Ans " 27th

P.S. I am going to send John a piece of Rhoda's new dress in this.

Dear Sister Ann,

(P.S. I have done. John. Dec. 24th)

In fancy I see you this morning
walking about your school room, adding "line upon line, precept upon
precept," showing one scholar a little here, & another there, & striving to
assist their young minds to understand, the ^{some of} great principles of Educa-
tion. I am glad to hear you continue to like your school.

You must not forget us when you attend those good meetings,
you write about. I would be very, very glad to go with you, but, you
know that cannot be & I must content myself by hearing about
them, & hope you will write me all about them, often.

You say Ed. P. was very smart for him, Thanksgiving day. I guess
his wife takes good care of him. Was she with him, I say?

We went with him to the school on to her father's yesterday.
(I have written before that they lived at Princeton, ^{now} I don't.)

We went yesterday A.M. & did not till nearly sunset. I said to L.
when we were going down, "if it was to my father we were going, I
should want the horses driven at the top of their speed & then
should think we did not get along very fast."

Is Thomas Larkin going to stay on Mrs. Brown's farm next year?

Give my love to Thomas & Mary & Char. & Aunt B. & H. & P. & M. Also
to Uncle S. & Mary Ann. Tell Uncle Saml & Aunt Chas that I expect
the reason they don't write us, is because they are so proud of their
new house. Tell them that when we get down to Texas & build us

at mine my cabin, perhaps we will not write to them.
Samuel was in here a little while ago, wanted know who I was
writing to. I said John. He said give his love to you, & tell you
you better come out & take care of him, next year as he is going
to live with us. He & Harace are going to improve this farm
together, next year, & he will live with us.

Have you hear Saml C. C. Y. & J. Knowles like the country where
they are? You know Saml & Hannah & have a right to ask questions.
My ribbon was 30 cts. per yd. Do you think it cheap or dear?
I have 4 yds. and my bonnet. Yours is about as green as mine is in color.

It is rather singular that we should all happen to have dark stream
bonnets at once. We hardly ever had bonnets anywhere near alike
before. I have not got any letter from M. yet, if she
would send as you wrote she said she was going to.

My ink is so poor that I don't know as you can read what I
have written, so guess I will stop for this time. Hope you
will write me often & all you can think of; for everything is
interesting to me. H. sends his love to you all. Say tell your husband
to see you all.

Good-bye for this time,

Yours as ever,

Gally.

Oh dear Chae,

How do you do & how do you enjoy being the
only child this winter? I expect you have nice times there
alone. Have you got the papers I sent you & John? Also the
Belmont & Co's I sent father in them? Give Est. & Alice lots of love from
us. & the rest of our quivering friends. Buy the "biggest" sheet of paper
John Watson has got & write it full for me. Don't forget now.
From Lily in the great west to Chae in the nice state of Rhodey. S. W.