

the record of his fore Fathers  
while he is there for he may never  
have another such a chance I  
have got the geneology of some  
of the Byams a way back to  
1650 and I am in hopes of getting  
more I have the dates too  
so you see I have been persevering  
-ing I thing every one ought to  
have the geneology of their  
relatives give my love to  
Will and tell him that  
he must excuse me for not  
writing seperately to him tell  
him when I write to you it is  
for him too I should like for  
you to answer this if it is not too  
much trouble with love I remain  
your most affectionate Mother  
Mary J. Crockett  
to her Children W. D. and M. Beam

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Dear Nora

Why do you not write  
it has been so long since we have  
had a letter: You remember your  
promise to write once every week and  
six letters are all that I have from  
you It is hard to have a Daughter  
forget her Mother so soon  
well I will not scold too much  
for perhaps you are sick and can  
not write if so please forgive me  
for thinking that you had neglected  
me I am so lonesome to see you  
the three boys from Preston have  
been here to work in the Temple  
for a week and I went with them  
we had a good time you may be  
sure but O Nora how I wished

that you was here working with us. We are having nice spring weather here we have not had any snow for some time some of the people were talking of plowing a week ago but I do not know if they have commenced yet or not the boys say it is good walking now but it looks like rain to night Roxie and I have been washing to day consequently we are very tired especially Roxie for she done most all of the washing. We are all well except John Crockett he is quite sick he has been sick for over a week Sister Wager is very sick Aunt Mary is over to Newton yet I do not know when she is coming home I have got another letter from my Cousin in N. H. and a letter from Kansas and a likeness of

Jessie Colton she is Roxie's age she is a nice looking girl Mary does not write very often Delia wants to get a building place up here and your Father told me to ask you if you would sell her half of your lot at the rate you paid for your lot please to answer as soon as you can after getting this your Father would let her have a piece next to Willie's but it would be too close to the river Your Grandma is no better Aunt Barbara has to take care of her like a baby some times she can sit in a chair for a while she does not know hardly anything sometimes she is so bad they have to sit up with her all night she is so crazy you had better have Will get