

Emma Webb → Nora

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My dear Mrs. Eschell

Your friend I received
your kind & welcome letter & have been
longing for a letter from Will he wrote
us a letter the 27th of January ~~going~~
and said in his letter that he further
was going to visit the Souths Exposition
at New Orleans he said he was going
to stop a few days at Charleston
Mr Webb and I wanted to go home
while he was there Will thought it
would be out of his way to come by
Harrisvilles and see us we would
have been glad to have him come back
by Harrisvilles and visit us Will was
to write and let us know when he
would start we have failed to get any
word yet I donot think that he stops

at Charleston or we would have had
word from home we would like to
have visited the worlds exposition
but Mrs. Webb's health would not
permit us to go

You spoke in your
last letter of having such a nice
winter winter I do think we have
had such a cold and disagreeable
winter old settlers that have lived
here in Warren County for 30 years say
it is the worst winter they have ever
experienced in Iowa the roads are
packed full of snow and it is impos-
sible for any one to travel the road they have
to go through fields. There has not been
much traveling done for a few days
only the mail carrier could be out not go
to day it snowed all day yesterday and
it just blessing the snow today

I will be so glad when Spring
comes I wish you were here today so
I could talk to you in stead of writing
and still I am a friend if you were

to see some to day you would
never want to live here but the
winters are not all like this winter
I hope we may have a nice winter
when you come to come to see me

Truly yours

Gene Friend

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