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Tom's letter to Nora
& Hill

from Mother Mary

I have three more letters to write
to day do you not pity me knowing
how I hate to write George John
Willie & Rosie are going to school
and so are the three little boys I
can tell you that I have quit there
during the time they are at school

hoping to here from you soon
and after I will quit for this time
With much love I remain your

Loving
Mother
Mary J Crockett

To her Children
William
and
Hara

Sogan Dec 20th 1885
Dear Son & Daughter

I received your letter of the eleventh
and was very very glad to get it I was
beginning to think that you had began
to be negligent I am very sorry that
you have not had any letter from home
for I have written to you every time
that I have got a letter and this is
the third one and Rosie wrote you
one besides I hope that you are still
enjoying your selves I am sorry that
Will is not well I hope that he is
better before this as for your honey
moon I hope your lives will be one
long honey moon that is I hope that
you will always think and Love each
other as well I hope that you will be
back here before many moons pass
away

Will I hope while you are having a good time you will get the genealogy of your fore Fathers you will never have a better chance and it will be very useful to you in the time to come

We have had some little cold weather here but not very much considering the time of year our flowers are looking beautiful I will send you one in remembrance of home in telling you about things I must not neglect to tell you how the stock are prospering fleet is all right so are the other horses only Carlson he has been on the left the cow hooked him and came very nearly killing him but he is getting better now. by the way I must not forget to tell you about our twins they are a little over one week old they look as near alike as two peas only one is a little lighter red than the other their names are Beck & Speck

do you not think they have pretty names they are lady calves so you see that we will not get much milk this winter I do not know if your Father will get ~~much~~ time to write or not he said if he did not write I was to send his love to you both Winnie is here today I told her that I was writing to you she says are you and passed into the front room without another word. You must not think that all of you are the same for they are not Willie says that he will write to you again some time we are all very lonesome without you I have not been down town since you went a way If you do not get this letter I do not think it is an use to write again but I want you to keep a writing to me very very often for I get so lonesome when I do not get a letter as soon as I think that I ought to