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Mother → Nora
Mary

29th I have a terrible headache to day I always
do have after washing I think you have done
very well earning money it makes me
think of my young days when I used to
earn money by sewing by hand some
times I used to earn two or three dollars a
week and would have to hold Mary on my
lap the most of the time for she was always
sick but girls as a general thing grow days
do not do any thing but their own house
work and they do well to do that some of
them have their husbands help them.

The last I heard from Emma her three
youngest children were sick.

You must write soon Give my love
to Will and Delia and keep a good
portion for your self and baby a
Thousand kisses to my darling little
Grandson This from your loving
Mother Mary J Crockett

Post script Roxie is washing to day and cannot
write but says she does not know whether she
will go to Payson or not she says that she has
wrote three times to you and got no answer and
she thinks that is enough M. J. C.

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Dear Daughter your most welcome
letter just received I will sit down
and answer it tonight although I
am very tired for I have been washing
to day and when I am on my feet
much I get very tired I guess that
I am fat and lazy for my feet
and ankles get so tired that they pain
me I was late getting a start washing
for I had to get the men folks off
for Preston so you see that Henry
and me are two old cronies together
all of the rest have moved to
Preston and took Fred with them
do you not think that I am lonely
after raising so many children
to be left with only one
I am so lonesome that I do not know
what to do and I do not know

what to do I wish I could see you and
baby I think baby must be cute
and sweet. Just think of yourself
when you get old and all of your
children grown into manhood and
womanhood and go away from
you don't you think that you would
feel lonely. Roxie is here yet and
I will have her write in this to you
in the morning before I mail it
I do not know if they are going
to move to Sarys or not it is
getting so late my ducks lay as regular
as clockwork they never miss a day
I think the reason is because I
have taken particular pains to
feed them plenty in their coop
before I turn them out with
the chickens last year I did not
get many eggs from the ducks
because they were so poor I always
fed them with the chickens then
they did not get enough to eat

I did not know that they were so
poor until I caught them for you
to take to hearlake I let the boys
take six hens and a rooster to
Preston Anna let them have six
hens and they took the cow and
my twins up there and Carlson
too Willie says he will set some
of my hens on turkey eggs for
me. if you feed your young
turkeys on hard boiled eggs for
two or three weeks it will make
them strong you need not feed
them only two or three eggs
a day. Where is Will a going
this summer. Did I tell you
that George has come home he
has gone to Preston with the rest
Well it is getting late so I will quit for
tonight. If I do not forget I will pick
some of my flowers and send to you
I have some lovely ones