

16 May 1897

Mother → Nora  
Mary

few days but it does not rain yet  
I have not been down yet to see  
Kate and Susie but am going as soon  
as I can get a chance to ride Popie  
has been there she says that they are  
fried up real nice kiss the little ones  
for me and tell the children they must  
not forget their Grandma Was little  
George glad to get home. Did I leave  
my glasses there or not Please  
write soon to your loving Mother  
Mary C. Crockett

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Dear Daughter Nora

I will try and answer your kind  
letter which we received some time  
ago Your Father has a very bad cold  
and is feeling very miserable but  
the rest of us are all well Fahn's  
wife has a little son most two weeks  
old Mary and Delia went to Preston  
the next day after Kate was married  
and they are there yet We have had  
some cold nights here and it froze the  
Lucern and killed it did it do any  
damage in Single How are you  
getting along have the children got  
well I hope so I had a letter the other  
day from Lydia she was getting along  
all right only there was no one staying  
with her so Archie and the boys have

do the work and take care of Lydia  
and the baby she says that the baby  
looks like David. How is Willie  
and Stella getting a long give them  
my love and tell them if they  
want me to write to them they  
must write first tell Stella that  
I forgot to get a lock of her baby's  
hair I wish she would write to me  
and send me a lock I want to show  
it to Pelia and Roxie  
How does Will like his leather  
suspenders. Have you got a hired girl  
now I hope you have for I should  
think it would be impossible for  
you to get along without one you have  
so much milk and butter to take  
care of How many young calves  
have you got now What is Willie  
doing now did he and Stella get  
a long all right with the work while  
you was here

well it is getting late so I will  
have to quit for this time and write  
a little tomorrow

May 11<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> I will try  
now and finish my letter although I  
can not think of any thing new to  
write Pelia has not got back yet  
from Preston so you can imagine how  
lonesome I am having so many go  
away at the same time Roxie let  
Barbara go with them Anna has been  
very sick for the three days but is a  
little easier now. Henry is working  
up to the collage I do not know how  
long they will keep him but I hope  
all summer. we have just got our  
potatoes and corn planted this week  
I am much obliged to you for sending  
me that cough receipt and will try  
it just as soon as I can  
We have windy  
and cloudy weather for the last