

on Sun. I was invited to church by
Mr Parsons. Mr Parsons is the whole sale book
dealer in The Crown Hotel. We had a nice time
of the service I went and took dinner with an
old friend and passed the afternoon until evening
when I called on Miss Nora but she was not at home
they had been looking for me all week. I will have to make a
call when I return if I have time enough. When I was going
to my room I felt very faint. & when I got there I was down
right sick. you may wonder what made me sick. I'll
not tell you this time. I went to bed at seven and
did not get up until seven a.m. feeling much better.
We started for the City the same day. arrived safe and
well I will tell you more about my mishap
to night as I want to post this morning I am
expecting to go to the theater to night
and take Miss Pratt. I only wish you were
here to go along. That is if you would go but I
don't believe you you never would go when I was
in Toxan, and I do hate to go alone. Well
how are you acquainted with Miss Eliza Pratt she
has just been in with her riding habit or asking
how we thought she would look if she had her picture
taken, she now has one of her stage costumes on.
Oh! how sweet she looks. Now Nora you I can you
say what a flirt. but do not judge to soon. I'll
ways put the worst side out and do not deceive you
in the least. I am only telling what I have done
and now what do you think I know without asking
You are a fellow; That right; That is what I am
thinking just now. You said when I wanted
to hear from you to write. I have been wanting to hear
from you every day but have failed to write.
I am just as glad to hear from you as you can
be. I hear from you. so do not wait for me
to write but write when you feel like it
and I will answer all you send. will close with
the greatest of pleasure Paper is scarce and I am
almost to the end and nothing I do but sign

Your Affectionate Friend
W. D. Reams

Salt Lake City

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Miss Nora, E. Crockett

My dear friend
at the eleventh hour I find time to
write you. Have just finished a letter to
my mother. of course you will not expect
to see writing to her first

Three days in Huntsville
On leaving Ogden Wed. Mr D. L.
and myself we walked to Mr Pares or
nearly there when we was overtaken by a
gentleman and obtained a ride. I was late
when we got to Huntsville. That very night
there was a man killed in the canyon by the
name of Henderson. he was a slow runner
and had been down with an old man

by the name of Scar. The wagons hid
off the into to the river throwing him in
and covering him with sacks & boxes. with
the fall he was stoned so badly that he
could not help himself and falling with
his face in the water he was drowned before
he was noticed. I driver being interested in
the horses forgot all about the man. untill
some men who were passing by came to
his aid and found this snow drowned.

Well we had a good time and returned
to Ogden on Sat. It stoned on us all of
the way down the canyon we arrived in C.
about three. went to our rooms took a wash
shaved our selves eat ate supper supper
and went for a walk. on our way we met
with some of our old friends and in walking
round over town we happened to trip into

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I just stoped to look ~~to~~ at the Christmas
presents for the children. but to tell you the
truth it was more to look at the young lady

that was arranging them. Oh! she was so sweet.
her name is Margaret Pratt. After looking
to my hearts content we began talking and
the consequent was that it twelve came and
my writing not done. I will now begin where
I left off and continue) as soon as we the
sights & while in there we were invited to us here in
the. Happy Christmas of course I was out of
my element. but could not very well decline
so I took a hand in a game of pool I believe
they called it (and of course I was out played)
and not knowing the game and I gave
the checks to my friends to take their drinks
Now I suppose you do not know what checks
mean I do not know much about it either
but will tell you all I know. When you
go in you have a choice of several games
which you may play and the one
that gets left has to foot the bill, which
is 25c then you are entitled (the players)
to two drinks. When I had received the checks
I passed them over to my friends
refusing to drink myself