

25 April 1886

Edith → Nora

Edith & Maud

it is very true  
I never had writing for  
you

we have had a great deal  
of rain since you left,  
Farmers have all their  
small grain sowed and plow-  
ing for corn.

Jessie & Venus are in  
Dallas Co, teaching this summer,  
I am not teaching, I was to lab-  
or to get a school.

I recd a letter from George,  
some time ago but have  
not ans. it yet - we have  
been so busy making garden  
and doing up the spring work  
I havent had time.

Today is Easter Sunday how  
many eggs did you eat,  
all at present. Hoping to  
hear from you soon.

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Dear Nora & Maud,

Kind Sister,

I received your long  
expected letter dated Apr. 18.  
was glad to hear from you,  
but sorry to hear you are  
troubled with the head ache,  
I can sympathize with you  
for I have it so often myself,  
and can say it is no pleasant  
feeling.

This leaves us all tolerably  
well except Maud she was  
very sick yesterday but is  
better today.

I hope these few lines will  
find you all well.

I wish you could be  
here now everything  
looks so much nicer  
than it did when you were  
here.

The grove all in leaves  
the orchard in bloom  
makes things appear more  
cheerful than in the  
winter.

I suppose you are anxious  
to reach B.L. and your new  
home. We have rec<sup>d</sup> several  
letters from Bill. Ma has  
your Turkey eggs ready  
if you will send them  
soon.

Oh my you cannot im-  
agine how homesome it  
was here when you left.  
(When I speak of you, I have  
reference to you and Will both)

as you said when you were  
here you and Will were one &  
you were the one.

Aunt & Jim staid one week after  
you left, then they went home  
too. I took a ramble through  
the woods today and found  
many pretty flowers of which  
I will send you a sprig of  
each in my letter.

Some of our tame flowers  
one in bloom now they look  
so pretty, enough about flowers.  
The children all send their  
love to "Mama & Will" as they  
say, they often speak of you  
and ask when you are coming  
back home. Uncle says he is going  
to see B. & L. when he gets a  
"little more bigger".

It is very cloudy and  
looks so much like rain