

how very  
glad I  
always am  
to hear  
from you  
and my  
best wishes  
to you  
and yours,  
Yours truly,  
John W. D.  
I have had  
a magnificent  
trip over  
the new  
"S. and  
C."  
with little  
trouble.

it and become long to see more  
than ever those beauties of  
nature which you so vividly  
describe. I came back here  
one month ago today in  
response to a telegram which  
I rec'd asking me to take  
again this school where I  
taught before, so my Bro"  
Henry took my school bag home  
and I came here at once and  
have taught just four weeks.  
I have a very nice school, but  
some think if it were not for  
my splendid boarding place,  
and letters from my friends,  
and a paid I should get back  
so you must write me as  
often as possible. For you know

Yours truly,  
your true friend  
Annus Popkin,  
Stambridge  
Platt County  
N.Y.

Stambridge, Neb.  
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Mrs. Nora Beant-

My Dear Friends,  
Your kind letter and pictures  
came to me away out here in  
Neb. after having of course  
gone to Chariton - Oh, was so  
glad to see more looks upon  
the pictured faces of our whole  
I learned to love even though  
I knew you so short a time,  
but I trust that last  
winter was only the beginning  
of a true and lasting friendship.  
The picture that I think you  
with this is from a magazine  
taken in Chic. go last  
summer when I was very

and I do not like the profile  
pose for one so course  
featured as myself, but  
the Photographer insisted  
upon it. I hope you will  
see me in the picture though  
and like it. I was so glad  
to hear of your dear little  
baby - how proud and happy  
you must be - you have  
reached the crown  
bliss of true womanhood  
that of being a mother. I  
hope you send your husband  
inductive to sketch an  
honored and true name,  
and enjoy many happy hours  
in his care, as full of manhood  
as you certainly will in his  
sweet babyhood. You know  
'tis true I almost good men  
that they have been blessed by

having excellent mothers, there  
most surely your darling will  
be great and good. I'll be  
that a treasure beyond price  
in his mother. The book you spoke  
of I shall be most happy to  
read, but my dear friend  
please do not trouble yourself  
to obtain such a nice one  
just so the reading is true  
and it comes from you,  
you know how very much  
I should appreciate it.  
Your beautiful descriptive  
letter I read, and re-read.  
If you would only let the  
world read and feel your  
thoughts as well as share  
your feelings, I am sure the  
world would be better. For  
my dear girl you have such  
a wonderful power in  
your feelings.