

Struggling with  
religion

Yes, I knew you had the journals  
I was just waiting to hear from  
you. Now which do you like best?  
Journal of Education  
American Teacher or Education

I only paid for the American  
Teacher & requested Mr  
Picknell to send you some ~~extra~~  
extra copies samples of his  
best works, which I suppose he  
did. Tell me the kind you  
like best & I will have it sent  
to you. For my self I think  
they are all hard to read.  
I am taken up with the  
Teacher & like it very much.

I am aware my letters do not contain  
very much good sound logic & feel it with  
intense mortification but can't help it, I write as  
I feel, & when I find what I can see my fault  
I have said what I meant in half of the  
time & space. I have recd. letters before now that  
were to me as my last was to you, have  
started in to write a long answer & find I have  
I have completed one I had filled one  
sheet. - But your letters are very interesting to  
me & when I start to answer I have to stop for  
something else besides thoughts I find it so  
now, here I am at the bottom & could fill two or 3  
sheets more & still want to tell you something  
else but must stop as I have no more time  
I answer soon in accordance with your wish  
Bill.



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Miss N. E. Crockett  
Logan City  
Utah Ter.

Dear Friend

Just recd. Yours  
of the 11 inst. - Very glad to  
hear from you so soon.  
Good girl to get up so  
soon & get your lesson.  
I like early birds. They  
always catch the worm.  
Although I can't brag of  
having more than my share.  
I am glad you did not  
have your lesson with you  
& wrote me. I suppose I am  
to thank Delia for your writing  
this time, & so I shall, I also

feel obliged to you, & to express  
my feelings I answer directly  
by return mail.

Then you feel doubtful  
of me carrying out my  
intentions. Well I had when  
you doubt the chances are  
may, I didnt think for  
a moment you might  
doubt, but thinking it over now  
I see it is nothing more than  
natural. At any rate I am  
glad you did not mention  
it to any one. but I thought  
I could detect it in Lidia's  
countenance when I was there  
Must have been mistaken;

Wait my dear girl & be  
patient - It is a question

of great weight with me & cannot  
be decided in a day or a week.  
It is a step taken I do not  
wish ever to regret or retrace.  
I am not much of a thinking  
man but I can find plenty of  
points on this sub. to keep me  
busy. When I come to ask  
myself questions I find that  
I am more of a skeptic than  
I thought I was. Something  
I have always tried to keep clear  
of I have mixed so much with  
with the world & seen so many  
points of origin in religion  
with but one point of insertion  
That it bothers me not a little. All  
seem to make rapid strides to  
accomplish their aims. Well I  
am decide as to my mode  
of acting & hope all will be  
well you need not fear Aora