

Will writes to  
Nora in Logan

July 29 - 88

Good letter about  
conditions. Trying  
to get out of boat  
so family can come home.

but should anything <sup>happen</sup> to the boys  
I don't think I could get through  
that so easy so look well to them  
and yourself and in time not long  
I will have all debts cleared and  
then you can come again if not  
before I feel like it is not going  
to be much of a job. although it may  
be ever so hard. Be of good cheer  
and remember the old saying. "a  
bad beginning makes a good  
ending." and if that be true we  
will come out all right which I  
think we will. Be good to Will.  
his better  $\frac{1}{2}$  I mean and he will  
come + see you soon.

With a dull head ache + a  
full 4 pge letter I close for the  
present. Sending much love to  
my and mine kisses many to  
you all. and regards of the best  
& all enquire after me. Yours with  
love as ever Will.

P  
Pingle Dell Idaho

July 28. 1888

Dear Ford and Babie

This is the 2 Sunday  
since you left and I am almost  
beginning to look for you home  
That is I kind a look but  
hardly expect I have had a  
headache every day since  
you went away. I think it is  
on account of the food I am so very  
busy I have hardly any time to  
cook it is after dark generally  
when I get home and I feel more  
like sleeping than the cooking  
I have all of my morning work done  
and it wants  $\frac{1}{2}$  till 8 I have washed  
up my weeks dishes + aired the bed  
and made it and washed  $\frac{1}{2}$  doz. pairs  
of socks swept + dusted besides doing the

out doors work I am getting a long  
nicely considering I can do fine  
after I am done haying I had  
a letter from John. Edith has come  
home & he is thinking of teaching  
this winter I am going to write  
him to day and see if he does not  
want to come out here & if he does  
and you prefer staying on the ranch  
to Logan you and I him can do so  
as I will have to be a way most  
of the winter making something  
as for you teaching school I  
believe you had better not  
in fact I cant see how you can  
I am making all of the butter I need  
I churn about every other day  
your pitched makes quite a  
nice little churn I will I  
believe I have told you all of the  
news there is none to be learned down  
in the hayfield nothing but hard

work which you have had quite an  
experiance here on the ranch  
You were saying I must be lonely  
I have a love I but not long for  
I am not long here to day might see  
so but I am so tired I think I can  
sleep when I am done writing besides  
there is toots to be seen to day so  
all will be ready for the 31. by  
the way I am going to have a  
harder time than anticipated I  
believe You said nothing much  
about your trip in your first letter  
or the one I got How did you like the water?  
and how many springs did you visit?  
I had to herd that you got through  
allright Does Wesley want to come home?  
or go to Soda, and how is M.A. getting  
along? Now you must take good  
care of our boys what ever you do  
or let go ~~on~~ undone! Remember  
that Our separation I can stand