

Palo Pinto Texas, July 8, 1883.

My dear sweet Sallie:

I hardly slept a wink last night on account of head ache, and I have preached three warm sermons to day; and now at half past ten o'clock I seek relief in penning a few lines to you. Either the people are becoming harder, or I am losing my power in presenting the truth. I am sad, sad to night. We have been expecting several who are almost persuaded to obey the truth, or seem almost persuaded, but they do not come. I preached to night from, "What shall I do then with Jesus who is called Christ?" I surer presented the truth more plainly or forcibly. I was deeply in earnest, and the words came readily. I exhorted them warmly, but none came. I have agreed to stay one more night, and give them another chance, then ride twenty two miles after preaching to morrow night. All this for a mere shadow of chance to induce some one to obey the truth. How hard is the lot of a poor preacher! May God help me to win some one to Christ.

Sallie, I received those long letters of Jessie's. Poor fellow, I do so much regret this trouble. I am so sorry that he ever listened to Dr. Poyner. Dr. P. is the man who has

would up all the trouble.

I fear that Jesse and Wick will never feel toward us as they did before. There is no one on this earth that I regret giving offence to more than to Jesse.

I know all his motives are pure. If I had ever dreamed that he thought I was slighting him, I would have been upon my guard. I know and regret my thoughtlessness, but it is not intentional. I became absorbed in my work and forgot the common courtesies of life. If Jesse had left any way for a reconciliation without turning off certain teachers, I would yet try to keep him. As for the W. and Miller I care not one cent about their remaining. Jesse's bearing will injure the school considerably. Col. Carter and wife came to meeting yesterday and remained over today. They expect to send three next session, and are expecting to board them with Jesse. I did not tell them that Jesse would not return, for I did not know what might occur. As soon as it is certain, I shall let him know.

I am beginning to lose confidence in myself. I must pray the Lord to cleanse

me from recent faults, I
must have faults that I am
not aware of. I am still
of the opinion that it is my
duty to give up Addison
Cullop to the guidance of some
other man. I could do
this much more readily if it
had a different name.
It seems to me like burying
among our dear little boys.
Went let there ^{thing} ^{be} ^{nothing} worry you Sallie.
I wish you would try to get
in correspondence with your
brother in Oregon. I have an
inclination toward that
country. Of course it will be
another year or more before
this matter can be circumstan-
tiated, and we shall not mention
it till ready for execution.
I would like to have your
opinion in the matter. - I
expect that I shall not reach
Ennis till tomorrow night -
I mean till Sunday night.
I hope to get a letter from you
as soon as I get there.
Randolph wants me to meet
him at Mr. Jarvis's tomorrow,
but I can not do so.
I am tired, tired, troubled and
discomolate. I wish I could go
home.

Good night my dear good wife.
Lovingly,
Addison