

Waxahachie, Texas.

July 7, 1894.

My dear Brother:

Was so glad to receive your letter. Am having a delightful time here, living in grand style, eating lots and getting fat, - going driving every day, hearing good preaching every morning and evening.

Papa seems glad to have me with him, wants me to go to Oak Cliff with him after the meeting here. Blanche has not come in yet. We will stay part of next week to the meeting, then go out to her place for awhile.

I'm so anxious to see her,
seems an age since I was
with her. She seems like
one of us - we all love her.

I think I can arrange for
her to go to school next year, if
her folks will consent, which
I'm very fearful of. It is
almost impossible to get
them to let her do anything
I propose. Mrs. R. is as
contrary and stubborn as
any one could be, and they
won't let B. get back to
school if they can prevent.

They have a match for her
down there, and they are
going to do all in their
power to marry her to
Otis Werrit. Don't mention
this - they can never
do it. That I purpose
doing is this. The college

owes me more than enough
to pay her tuition for the
session, and every teacher
is allowed to put in one
on back salary. She can
pay me when she wishes -
or never, it makes no
difference. The trouble will
be about the board, we
want her to stay with us
and she won't do it
without paying, and she
can't do that. We don't
want her to pay anything.
Bapa said he would board,
clothe and pay her tuition
if she would stay with us,
but of course we can't
propose anything of the
kind. If I can't get her
to accept my proposition and
go to school, I'll have her
out there any way to assist

in the Primary. There will be a regularly employed assistant this session - about \$40 per month. She could assist during the free school and attend after it closes. Of course this would bring her very little nearer graduation, but we would have her with us, and she would be improving some, it would at least be pleasanter for her, and she would then be independent. If I were to be at home another year I would propose this for next session, and for her to go to school and graduate the next. I would

make her save enough to
carry her through. The
trouble is May and Mrs. R -
will take everything she
makes. You can't imagine
how they impose on her,
May takes everything she
has. Write me what you
think best to do. I'll
go out next week and
talk with her brothers
and mother - I hardly
expect anything out of them.

The only way I can
accomplish what I wish
is to tell Blanche she is
ungrateful and does not
consider me her friend,
and then she will tell
them she is going anyway

and they can say what they will. She can't bear for me to think this, or get mad at her, and I don't like to make her think I feel that way, for I do not. I know just how she feels. But I will use any means to get her there. This is the only way I could get her to stay last session.

She would rather be with us than at home, and we know it, and she knows it, and her folks know it.

Enough.

I'm surprised at Charlie writing as he did. I know uncle Tommie and aunt Alice talk like they were sure of your staying being with

him in the school, but I thought nothing of it.

You had not written us positively you would or would not go down there, and I thought if you had promised him it was all right. I wrote you to do whatever you thought best, and you know I'm satisfied with what ever you do. You know what confidence I have in you, and I love you too well to ever question anything you do - or anything I might not understand.

I want you to always feel that it is all right with me, whatever the others may think.

I know you love me, and are always grateful for

any little thing I can do
for you.

I would not want you to
go in with uncle Tommie
and Miss Mollie, because I
think you can do better. I'm
a little doubtful about that
enterprise anyway, and I
would not want you to
bind yourself in any way
to it. I would be perfectly
willing for you to teach
down there if they paid
you well, and if after
while you saw that it was
a good thing then take
interest in it if you
wished.

I leave everything to your
good judgment, and I will

agree to your plans.

If you write soon as receiving this you may send here, if not send home - I will be there in two or three weeks.

I'm glad you have some thing to do this summer, hope it will be pleasant work, and pay you well.

Do want you to go to Niagara and Grimsby - be sure to see the Aheytas, and give them my love.

Their cottage is "Plithe Brae" on Lake Front, you can easily find it.

Naxabachie is a lovely place, I'm delighted

with it. Think I would
like to live here.

Must quit.

Excuse such a scribble.

Much love.

Yours,

Sister.

Sunday.

Had four callers this
evening at six, all at one
time - The best young men
in Waxahachie - they tell me.

I appreciate it very much.

Don't you think I did well
to entertain four strangers?

I get a long twelve or
fourteen page letter every
week from Messrs. C. & J. -
good letters too, I let papa
read them occasionally.