

Red Rock

May [abt 1887]

Dear Aunt,

I received your welcome letter last Saturday. I had come to the conclusion that you had not received mine. We are all well at present. I was over at Pa's Wednesday they were all well. I think Pa will have a good crop it looks very nice now. Ma has a very good garden. I have not heard from Berleson since I wrote to you. We had a splendid rain the other night. I guess you have had plenty down there, too.

Pap started down to Lavaca about two or three weeks ago. He went by Mary's. I expect he will stay there some time. I got a letter from Mary the same day I got yours. She was well and doing well. The health in this part of the country is good now. The Dr's don't get anything to do now hardly. I have been washing all the morning. I just got done about an hour ago and I am so tired I can hardly write. It is the first washing I have done since last August. I have been hiring it done and paying seventy five cents a day. The Negro woman I get to wash did not come this week so I had to do it myself.

Christianity down where you live is a good deal like it is up here I reckon. Some of the members would rather ride five or six miles a dewberry hunting than

to ride one to church. We have preaching over in Petty Town very often, but that is all. I do not recollect the last time I was at meeting over there not since last July though I know. Bro. Bayze preaches here once a month. He preached here last Sunday but I did not go out. I did not know he was going to preach till I seen him coming. The Methodist have a Sunday school down here at the schoolhouse, but I would not hardly walk from here to there to listen to anything they have to say. Well, I believe I will close as I have nothing more to write. We have had an artist here. We all had our pictures taken. I will send Lizzie and Susie one of Willie's and Dotia's in this letter. Write soon. Give my love to Guss and Joe and Ann, and to all my friends down there.

Yours affectionately,

Frances

Note: Pa was H.C. Bosworth

Pap was James Lovelady

Frances Bosworth married George Jones.

Willie was Frances' son.

Dotia was the daughter of H.C. and Martha Bounds Bosworth (unless Frances had a daughter by the same name) Delete this.

Frances had a daughter named Drusie.

Note: The reference to Burleson (County) probably means Mary. It seems that Pappy had become reconciled to Mary, even though her father had not.

L.M.