

Roans Prairie, Tex
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Miss Esther Pennington
Himpson, Texas.

Dear little girl:

I will try to answer your ever welcome letter which came to hand some ten or fifteen days past. Dink is down here he is moving back to Washington County.

The weather is getting bad. we have wind to spare.

By the way you spoke of me fixing a way for you to come down I would like so much to see you. yet it would be impossible for me to

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Come through the country
 on account of the bad
 weather & roads, and my
 expenses has been so heavy
 untill I am short in
 money. I payed all
 the money I had on
 hand on the land I
 bought, and am trying
 to build a house too. I
 so you know about
 how I am fixed.

Nannie is here
 I guess she will stay till
 Christmas. She says tell
 you hello for her.

It is unjust
 in you to say that I
 would Ollie Sanford
 read your letters.

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it is still raining.
 A drier day is hardly possible.
 Dona Sanford
 is married. has been
 married about three
 weeks. Sanford's
 people think that they
 are the only frogs in
 the pond. you just
 ought to see Luther
 he's a bird.

Damn boarding
 with Alice Now. it is
 closer to my work.
 Well Esther I
 am so dull till I can't
 find any thing to write.
 Write soon
 to your own W. B.