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Letter #87C

To: Mrs. W V King, Jackson Minn

From: Nellie King Davies

(Postmark) Dec 30 1893
Pipestone Minn

Dear Ma & All

I will take a few minutes to write to you although it is near train time to wish you a Happy New Year. I know you had a Merry Xmas for I saw the letter you wrote to Will saying you [had] so much company for dinner. I know you had a good time & I wish I could have come down but O could not now for we were going to Brainerd and then we gave that up and now we are going to Rock Rapids for New Years. They wrote a fine invite and I guess all the Bankers are to be there too for Mr Black wrote to know if we were going. Grandma will stay until Thurs. for we can't get back until Wed.

I went down to Jasper night before last, staid overnight. I was so homesick to see the boys and I want to see John so bad.

Wills baby is pretty & such a bright little thing. I like her for she is so good. You will think lots of her when you see her & Pa will like her too for she laughs every time she looks at you, a big dimple in her chin and one in her cheek. She don't look like the other children though she has a nose like Mary & a pretty mouth.

It is awful cold today. You said Mary did not hang up her stocking. Well my kids did not either.

Tell Grandp that Grandma can't come until Thurs. I must close now wishing you all a Happy New Year.

Your loving Nellie

Say you can change Selah's gloves for a larger pair. They are too small.

Frank Clayton has some dishes pretty & cheap.

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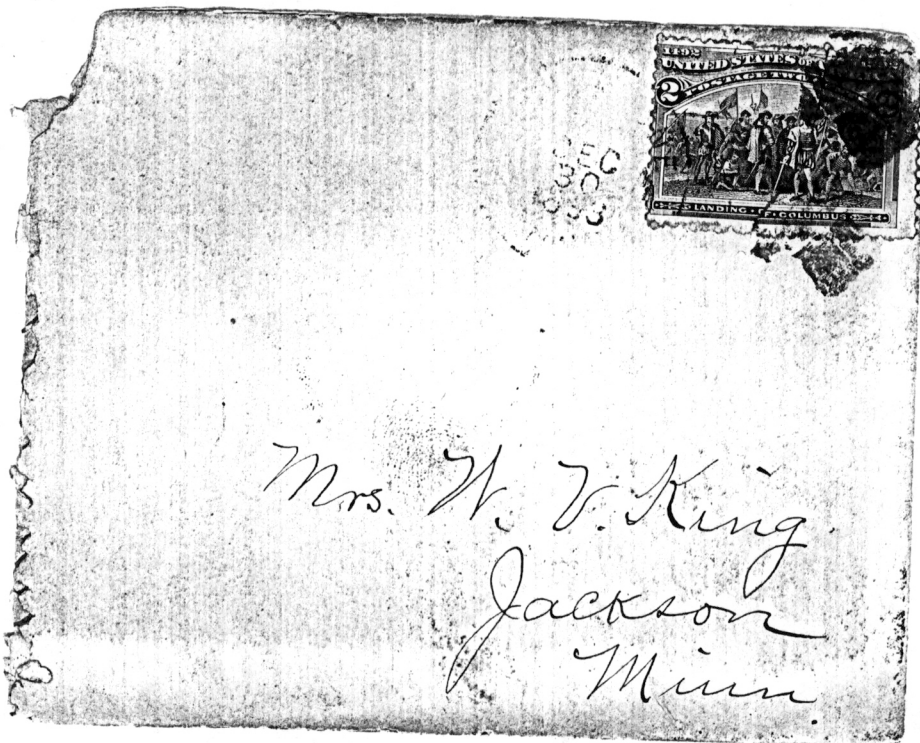
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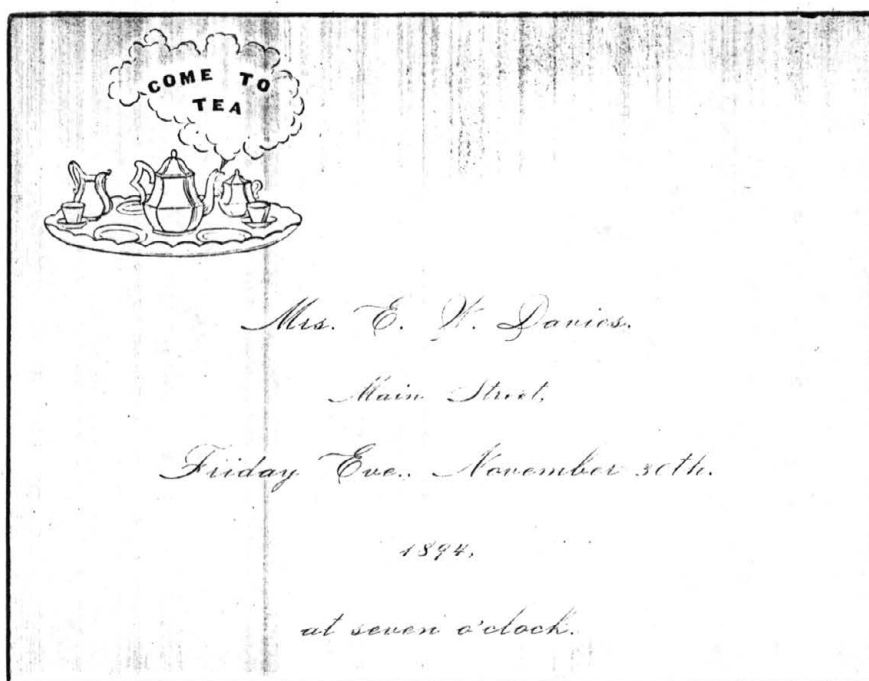
Friday Eve., November 30th.

1894,

at seven o'clock.



*Mr. J. S. King,
Jasper
Minn.*



Letter #87K

To: Mrs. W.V. King

From: Nellie King Davies

Pipestone Minn

Feb. 2 1895

My Dear Ma

I just commenced this letter to that cripple when Ruth Goodnow came and said it was all a fraud that these folks are just doing it to get stamps. So I think I will wait and see how it is for sure. Oh dear this ink is so horrid (*changed pens here*) this will be better.

Well Selah looks better than I expected him. Has he quit tobacco? He did not say but Frankie offered him a cigar and Burr said he did want any. (*sic*)

I was over to the church to little Mattie Buells funeral when he came. She died with Inflammatory (*sic*) Rheumatism. She was seven years old. You know Jennie has three boys and the two girls--Neva, Ray, Mattie, Herbert and Ira Guy and I tell you he is a case. Mrs Birkenhauer and I went down there and Jennie told him Mattie had gone to heaven and he said no she didn't, she is in the other room, and he kept it up all evening.

(*At this point letter interrupted by dictated message from her four year old son Frankie: Dear Grandma & Grandpa I want to see you [drawing of cow] This is my cow. Signature illegible.*)

Frank had to write to you so I had to let him.

Ma why was it that the Cowings did not invite any of the young folks only those four girls. You know I got the cakes for them. Well when the tins came back Ed paid thirty cents express on them. She sent \$2.40. Mrs. B asks 60 cents for them in the winter as eggs are higher. I had to borrow a basket of Ware to send them in beside. Now don't lisp this for I don't want any one to know any thing about it. But---if any one else wants any more cakes down there I hope they will send for them themselves. Of course we don't notice such things once but if we have to keep it up it is tiresome. You know what I mean. If I have any thing to give I would rather give it to my own relatives eh?

Virgil was here to dinner yesterday. The house did not look very slick. I was sorry but---

Well I must close now with lots of love to all. I am your

Nellie

Where do Jack and Clara live? I hope they are quite well again. It has been 32 below. Isn't it awful. Inger was gone two or three days and we have been under the weather so much lately we had got behind.

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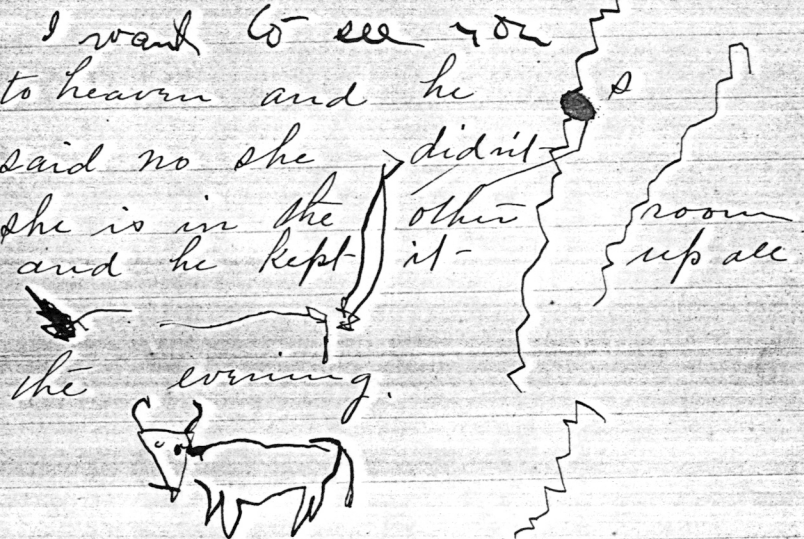
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Letter # 88

From: Antoinette L. King

To: Selah S. King

Jackson, Minn, April 8 1895

My Dear Boy

I believe I wrote you last but I know you wont care if I write again. I forgot to thank you for the taffy you sent which I will now. It was very nice. I think you & your friend had better go into the candy business. Fill those large windows with taffy & such & perhaps it might bring you a fortune. Any way that was good & when you make more think of Mammy.

I am sorry you are to lose your friend. Hope you will find another that you will like as well.

And you have really gone to farming. If we get a little more moisture [I] think you may be successful all but the onion part of that I am a little fearful. Your Pa will see about beans & send you some if he can find them. Glad to know you have had your teeth attended to.

I am trudging through my work alone now. What I dont get done waits for me. I have been very since Belle left I fear I will be unable to do my work. I would very much like to be alone if I can hold out. I gave a coffee last Thurs. Think I wont have any more unless I have help, it is most too much for me. Nettie was very kind & came & helped me serve & helped wash the dishes.

Aunt E. gave one last week for the first. She is feeling quite well for her but Clara is not well. Maude passed in her examination so she can teach if she wants to. Mary has gone shopping. She is invited to a novelty party at the M.E. church Wed. P.M. Mrs. Allen is very poorly yet. They will go to Hot Springs soon. She is lamer than I & has grown very thin.

Have not had a word from Nellie since the Year 1 so it seems I should think she would feel ashamed of herself. I had a letter from Mrs Meadows. Burr has painted the barn. Shall I stop. My hand hurts.

Please write soon to your loving

Mamma

Tues morn

The dogs were here last night & nearly killed one sheep the other two are gone. Your father said he had just sold them last eve & was going to give me the money. My luck.

A letter from Nellie last night. She is very much ashamed of her neglect. Wants me to come up. I dont know if I can come. It is hard to get away.

I have just rec'd a letter from cousin Obed Wilson of Brooklyn. When I come up I will bring this. I think I would like him.

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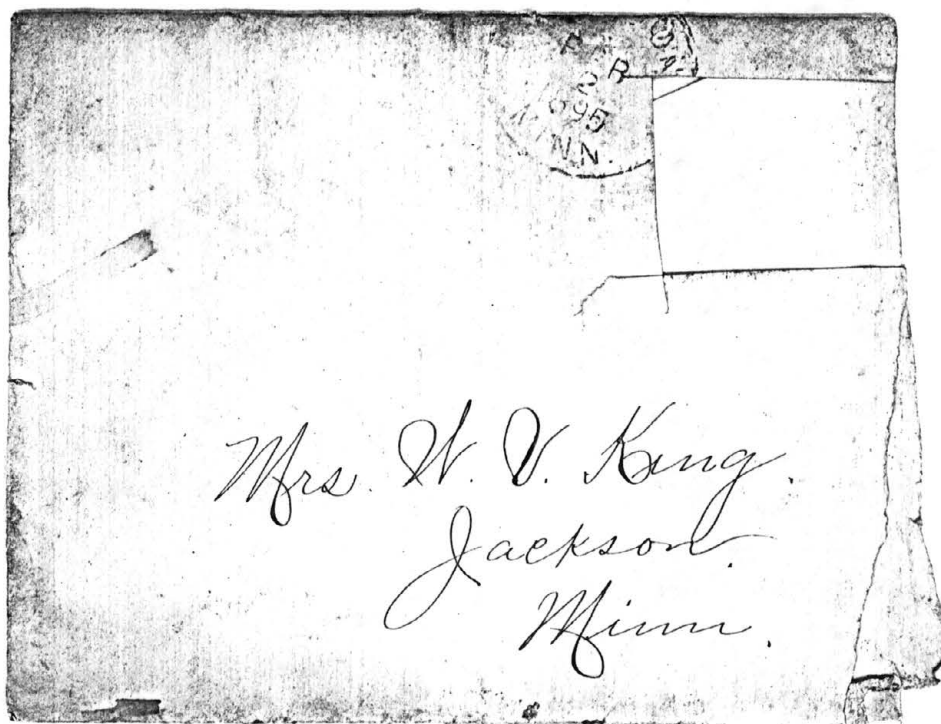
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To SELAH J. KING

FROM HIS MOTHER, ANTONIA L. KING, PORTER KING



Mrs. W. V. King.
Jackson.
Miss.

Letter #89

To: Mrs. W.V. King, Jackson, Minn.

From: Nellie King Davies

Pipestone Minn
June 25 1895

Dear Ma & All

You will think it funny I don't write--but if [you] knew the trouble I have with Frank. He has got to be such a runaway. It keeps me looking after him every minute. I will make a sort of diary. Firstly I lost my temper after I came home & you know I can't either write or talk then but I am recovering from that and I guess they are all glad of it, for I guess it was very disagreeable for all also myself. But you know we felt the influence before I came home.

The first Tues. after I came home the Rebekahs entertained the "Stars" but we did not go for I was too ugly to use plain speech to entertain anybody. Several things put me out of tune.

The next [day?] Ponny invited me down to P.M. Tea and I could not go on account of Frank having a lame ankle so he could not walk on it that day. Then Burr was in the Drum Bell Drill for last day of school and he had to practice all the spare time and Kittie had to speak a piece and it was practice before school and after. Then Fri. P.M. I went to school to hear the exercises & they were fine. Kitty spoke very good but she was pretty scared. Auntie and Lucy were up one day.

Next Nora was up Sat. and at dinner time we were all talking and forgot Frank and when we looked for him he could not be found. Well we hitched up Bud and Nora & Kit went all around town--could not find him. Then I and Nora went again but could not find him. I thought I would try every store and had not gone far when Johnnie Roos yelled to me and said he guessed he had my boy in the Bus and sure enough he was. John said he got in the Bus and he took him down to the train and he did not know he was in there for he had no passengers and when he got down to the train & found him in there he set him on the seat to hold the horses and was looking for his passengers & Frank climbed down and got on the train and a traveling man put him off & told John so he put him in the Bus again but he did not want to go.

Then the next was last night. He went with Rolfe Marsh down town and Rolfe left him on the street so he went down town again & we neighbors & I had a big time finding him so I think I will tie him to me hereafter.

I will have to get another sheet to finish.

I saw Mrs. Russell last night and she looked good as ever but grayer.

We were all out to Mrs. Gillons Sun. to dinner. Mr. & Mrs. Cawley & Margaret were there too. We had a fine time -- had chicken.

Mrs. Ober was here last evening and invited me there to P.M. Tea next Fri. and Julia Mulville was just here & invited me there tomorrow to P.M. Tea. Mrs. Dinehart from Slayton will be over and she said that Mrs. D would stay with me Thurs. night & be with me to tea so I think I will have to have a P.M. tea Thurs. if my eye does not prevent.

I am writing with one eye covered, but I guess it will be better. I will have to fly around I think.

Nora drove Bud and the cart back to Jasper. Kit was going but had to give it up because she had to practice the Brownies Sat. night.

I will send you [a] programe (*sic*) and I will send you a cactus bloom. It has had three and there are two more coming. You can see what it is like if it is withered.

Well I will close now & write & tell me that Mary is better & that you will come soon.

Your loving Nellie

Well I did not get this letter off yesterday so I will tell you about the Brownies.

The show came off last eve and it was splendid. I wish you could have seen Burr. I would give a good deal for his picture. He had a brown suit on and big stomachs eyes like this [*drawing of smiling face*] the circles were black. The curved lines was white paint and their mouths red. I laughed till I was sick & tired. Burr did splendid. He and Homer Lemness (?) were fighting and the Brownie police man came and took them by the nape of the neck and lifted them out. Then in a few minutes they [*re-turned?*] and begin (*sic*) scrapping again -- looked like two banties. It was so funny.

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Your loving
Billy

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Letter #89A

From: Antoinette Porter King

To: S.S. King Esq Jasper Pipestone Co Minnesota

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My Dear Selah

And the beans have been cut down for which I am sorry. I hear the frost was quite severe here in low places but I dont know how much it has injured crops. Everything has looked so beautiful & promising all around and yet we are not sure of a harvest but we hope to have. I heard a man say if nothing happened the grain crop would not be barns to hold it.

Your uncle M.S. says you must sow your bean ground to millet. You could sell the hay & get something for it. It is so dry here I am afraid the potatoe & corn will not be very good. Our corn is the best around--splendid. Our potatoes are fair eating but few in a hill. We have had two messes of peas. Will have some tomorrow I guess.

I heard you took your girl the 4th. I expect you were a fine looking couple. And you have heard Mrs Leall. I believe I would like to hear her.

I spent my 4th with Mrs Babcock. She is sick. I was not out on the street until eve & then I went in to Lib Baileys & had ice cream. I dont know what kind of time they all had. Fair as any 4th I suppose.

I am too lame to go anywhere & enjoy much of the fun going on. Mr Chittenden is at work on the house. I think my kitchen will be nice. Will have a small bath room.

I cant come to Pipestone until the kitchen is finished & maybe not then. Mary has not been able to go away from home. She has been so bad nights. Keeps me awake. Her neck is better but stiff yet. I think she is nervous for she cries out so much some nights & fusses. I will be glad when she can sleep good all night.

I would like your father to go and see his father this summer but I dont suppose he will think he can go. Get me a pass & I will go to Reedsburg & Baraboo &c.

I dont know whether we will go to Spirit Lake or not. I would like to go a couple of days. If I should make up my mind to go will try & let you know. John may go. He was over to Crandalls a week ago on bicycle. Had a fine time.

I have just put up a case of red & white currants. Jelly jammed & spiced them. ope I can get some raspberries.

I hurt my foot yesterday so that I have been quite lame all day.

Nellie St Clair has named her baby Mertice Ruth. I was down to Eliza tonight the first time in over three months.

Hope you will not be discouraged over the bean failure, but it is to[o] bad. Hope you can secure the barley in good shape. With love to you all

Mother

Mary was going to send something to her Papa for his birthday but forgot that it was today. Will try & find something & send him.

Mrs Allen is no better. Her joints are all getting stiff. She suffers greatly.

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Friend

S. D. King Esq
Jasper
Piptone
Minnesota.

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Letter #90

To: Mrs. W.V. King

From: Nellie King Davies

Pipestone Minn
Oct. 19 1895

My dear Ma

You wrote me a week ago to get your dress and see to it sure. Well I forgot it until last night when I went down to Gruns and looked around. I saw some stuff for 75 yd. in gold brown &c, so pretty. Its something like mine only better. Mine was 50 cents yd. This is all wool, can you afford 75 cents or will I have to give less than 50 cents. You did not say. This will make a handsome dress with a little velvet silk or ribbon would be stylish. The cloth would cost about \$6.00. Ed said to get it and let Bill put his hand down into his watch pocket. Eh what do you say.

Don't get your refrigerator now. Wait till next year, perhaps you can do better.

Why don't you get a girl to help a while any way. I'm mad at you that I am.

We have the cellar cemented and the cess pool fixed.

What will you get for Marys head. I wish I could knit a bonnet.

Nora & Mrs Donovan were here day before yeaterday.

Is John & Lil a go? I forgot Selah's birthday till too late. Oda will make me a necktie.

We are baking beans today. It is so cold today. I see by the paper Dollie Fields is dead, too bad.

Inger is scolding Frank for getting in the coal. We have half a car, \$6.00 a ton. Why don't you get it that way.

I will see about the dress but I do wish I knew how much you want to give a yd. I have mine done & wore it to tea. I went to tea to Pattens Wed & Thurs to Birkinhauer & yesterday to Mrs Geo Pratt, all in honor of Mrs Brintnall. Dora Chesley & Cora Hart cast a bigger shadow than usual. I must close now so bye bye.

I forgot to get Grandma D. under shirts. Has she got any yet. I sell milk to Mrs B. now & pint to Mrs Borsky. I paid Mrs Hausea \$20.00 other day.

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 wool can you afford
 75 or will I

have to give less than
3-08 years did not say
this will make a handsome
dress with a little velvet
silk or ribbon would
be stylish. The cloth
would cost about 6-00
Ed says to get it and
let Bill put his hand
down into his watch
pocket - Eh what do you
say. Dont get your
refrigerator now wait -
till next year perhaps
you can do better.

Why dont you get a
girl to help a while
anyways. Im mad at
you that I am

We have the cellar cemented
and the cesspool fixed
What will you go for
Marys head. I wish
I could knit a bonnet
Nora & Mrs Donovan were
here day before yesterday
So John & Lil a
go? I forgot Selahs
birthday till too late
Ada will make me a
necktie. We are baking
beans today. It is so
cold today. I see by
the paper Willie Fields
is dead too bad -
Inger is scolding Frank
for getting in the coal
We have half a ear

Letter #91

To: Mrs. W.V. King

From: Nellie King Davies

(Note: This letter was mailed in the same envelope with Letter #90)

Pipestone Minn

Oct Wed. 1895

Dear Ma

Well I got these samples last night at Sommervilles. I want to see if you like them. Two are \$1.00 yd and the other is 90 cents. It will take 8 yds. I think 7 would make a handsome dress either of the dollar pieces. It would trim itself. They are so pretty in the piece. I like them as well as silk. Then you could wear your black to coffees and this would be nice on all occasions. I don't think it would cost much more. She ought to make it for 4.00 and then it would cost about \$15.00 all told. Or would you rather have a cape for winter. Mrs Birkinhauer got a very pretty double cape, beaver, for \$10.00 satin stitched on the edge two inch.

The dress will be nice enough for any body if you want or I can get a cheaper grade but I don't like cheap black do you.

I must hurry and get this off.

So you will have the rail road. That is nice. Don't give them your land for nothing.

Well I must close now so good-bye. Hope you can make up your mind about this.

Your Nellie

Pipestone Min
Oct. ^{Wed} / 895-

Dear Ma

Still I got these samples last night at - Somerville. I want to see if you like them. Two are \$1.00 yd and the other is 90¢. It will take 8 yds I think & would make a handsome dress either of the dollar pieces. It would trim itself. They are so pretty in the piece. I like them as well as silk thin you could wear your black to coffee.

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The dress will be nice
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get cheaper grade but
I don't like cheap
black do you

I must - hurry and
get this off, so you
will have the railroad
that is nice don't give
them your land for
nothing.

I'll I must
close now so goodbye
hope you can make
up your mind about
this.

Your sister -



Mrs. H. V. King
Jackson
Minn.

Letter #92

To: Mrs. W.V. King

From: Nellie King Davies

Pipestone Minn
Dec. 10 1895

My own dear Ma

No wonder you marvel at our being so saving of two cents but alas and why is it so I cannot say, only there is so much going on, as you will see by the paper.

The P.M. teas are still agog. Mrs Marsh had one the other day & it was very nice too.

And then we attended the nuptials of Frank and Anna and I must say the whole affair was very pleasing. Anna looked very pretty in her cream satin. She is such a pretty girl any way. It was so simple and still expressive. I went up to congratulate them and Anna kissed me and then I turned to Frank and he took hold my hand & said "Here goes" and smacked me good. It was so sudden I forgot my flowery words and beat a hasty retreat. I told them all the time I would kiss the bride groom but never dreamed I would.

They got some beautiful presents. Henderson tied them and they knelt and he blessed them. He spoke so nicely & they had such a nice wedding supper.

I will bid you adieu as the children & I are going to School house to hear Abby Gardner Sharp lecture. bye bye

Well here goes again. Mrs Sharp had only about twenty five hearers last night & it was too bad for it is just as Mrs Moore & Bennett said. When she was invited out any where people would sit and quiz her about it so she thought to end it all by a lecture for it is very hard to talk about those things when her people were killed &c.

I thought it very entertaining and I think the Jackson people would like to hear it and along with the history of those in Jackson also. And I would like to go around and find those graves in the woods and find out where that Stewart family is buried &c. And about the Thomas house. And is that old log house the one those other Thomas' lived in and where Willie Thomas was killed. Ed says it was on Ben Johnsons place but I don't know. Who was it that lived on Bergs place. Who was it that lived down in the woods below Averys some where. We saw it [a] long time ago when we were picking berries. I think the time when a Coats was along.

Well I see Ella & Will are wed. We did not know it until we

saw it in the paper. I want Ed to give them a present. I wonder what they got anyway.

Will & Mary were up yesterday. She got a pretty hat-\$3.50. I gave her \$1.00 toward it. Gracie has had typhoid fever. Mary is going home Sat. to stay till after Xmas.

Lovingly your Billy

Well Harry is gone.

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 graves in the woods and find
 out where that Stewart family
 is buried &c, and about the
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 old log house the one those
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 a pretty boy - #357 I have his photo
 of a bridge. Hope that is the same
 man in young man had to stay after Thomas.

Pipestone Minn

Dec. 10/895-

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Ever your
 father

Letter #92

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like to hear it - and along
with the history of those in
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Letter #92A

From: Antoinette Porter King

To: Selah King (No envelope)

Jackson Minn

Dec 22 1895

Dear Selah

Are you coming. I hope it will be so you can. I hope you can get mileage. We are invited to Chittendens for dinner but will be home in time to fill you up.

We send a few things to Pipestone for Grace & W.V. I told Nellie to send them down soon as she could. I have nothing nice for anybody, wish I had. If you come we will find something. I will send Will "Bitter Sweet". Dont dare to give it to you or John because it is a cheap book but the reading is the same & I want you both to read it.

I send Nellie a birthday gift but I am not satisfied with it. I wanted a better one. I want to get a table cloth for Mary.

I have been half sick for several weeks. My stomach troubles me again.

We had mush & milk for supper. It was good. We milk three cows now. I think we have quite a dairy. If you would like the new calf I will express him to you. He is of the male persuasion.

I believe John has gone to church this eve.

We had fresh pickerel for breakfast. It was very good.

They have just upset the ink on my new red table cloth. It somewhat disturbs me.

Have had two letters from Lulu Trumbull. She says Father Trumbull lives in Nebraska. John Trumbull has one of his arms taken off. Will & Lulu seem to like [it] there.

I dont feel like writing more tonight. I wish you all a Merry Christmas & shall hope to see you soon.

Ever your loving

Mother

Mary sends a picture book to Lucy.

Jackson Minn
Dec 22 1895

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I hope it will be so you can
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I want to get a little clock for Mary

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If you would like the new calf
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was very good - They have just upset
the milk on my new red table cloth
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she says Father Sumball lives in Nebraska
John Sumball has one of his arms taken off
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I don't feel like writing more tonight
I wish you all a Merry Christmas & shall
hope to see you soon

Ever your loving
Mother

Many sends a picture book to Lucy

Letter #93A

From: William V King

To: S.S. King Jasper Minn

Jackson Feb. 26th, 1897

Dear Selah

Yours of Feb. 17th just came to hand. Johnnie gets my mail and brings it to the Pilot office, and it is very uncertain about my getting it.

About the inscription on the Monument. I would like to have Nellie's opinion. If you cant see her would prefer something like this

Antoinette L. Wife of

W.V. King

born Dec. 12th 1835

died, March 26th 1896

with the words following

"Here is Sweet rest"

If you or Nellie prefer any other words than those above you can substitute them.

On the North face Will wants the words

Mary E. Wife of

W.P. King

Feb. 28, 1854

Feb. 28, 1887

Will says you have a book of inscriptions out there or Patterson has and wishes you to select some short and appropriate sentence for him. I want room left on the front face for my epitaph below your Mothers.

I dont care to have many words on the face as it will amr the beauty of the stone. I would like to have the letters cut plainly.

Dont let him forget the head & foot stones to the two graves. And he promised also to furnish me a rough & a perfect

ashler for our lodge here. Would like to have the rough A. about 8 inches long and about 8 inches square. The perfect about 16 inches long and 6 inches square.

I received a letter some time since from Patterson asking me to send him a \$100. on the monument but I could not furnish it at that time but have all the money now and enclose a draft for \$100. which you can pay him if you know it will be all right but dont make any mistake about it.

Affectionately

W V K

(1)

Jackson Feb. 26th - 1897

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a \$100. on the Monument
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Affectionately
Wm

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W. V. King



*S. S. King
Jasper
Minn.*

Letter # 94A

From: Nellie King Davies

To: Mr. S. Sam King, Jasper Minn

Pipestone Minn

Mch. 9 1898

My Dear Sammy,

Your lady love was here Mon. and we made arrangements by ourselves that you should come up next Sun. if it is a fine day and take Carrie back with you. You can come pretty near telling what the weather is by Sat morn and you can write and let us know what you will do as Carrie will come back Sat. We would enjoy it very much all of us. It seems an age since we saw you.

I suppose you were belle of the ball last evening as I hear you had some good music down there.

Grandpa D wrote today that the Boston burned at Jackson the other day. It is too bad. I am glad the boys were out of there.

Well they had a big time over election yesterday and Ed feels good to think he was elected. They congratulated him at a great rate.

Burr and Frank each have rubber boots and they think they are big pumpkins.

I must go to bed as my eyes are so twitchy. I have not felt the best today but am feeling better. Guess I'll be allright in the morning. Hoping to hear favorable news from you I am your own loving sis

Billy

Pipestone Minn
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Mr. S. Sam. King.
Jasper.
Minnesota.

Letter #95

To: Miss Mary Genevra King, Jackson, Minn.

From: William V. King (envelope: "Lost Lovers' Club, Jackson, Minnesota")

Jackson Minn. April 24 - 1907

Dear Mary

Your letter received. Of course I will come after you Friday afternoon provided the weather is not too bad. My lungs are in such a condition yet that I will not dare to come if it is cold & wet or very windy.

You have been gone so long that I have been afraid that I was not going to see much more of you. You must excuse me for not writing any more. My hand trembles so that I dread writing.

Affectionately

Jackson Mom. April 24 - 1907

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was not going to see much more
of you. I am most excuse
me for not writing any more
my kind troubles so that I
could write.

Affectionately
Grand-Pa

The Lost Lobers' Club
Jackson, Minnesota



Miss Mary Genevra King,

Jackson, Minn.