

Feb 17th 1878

Fayetteville, Tenn.

Dear Sister:

I send you a few
scraps some of them are not
very nice. I hope some of them
will do to put in your quilt. I
am sorry I cannot get you more
buff I remember you had more
buff and black in it than any

other color. I know it will be
beautiful when you get it finished,
You need not trouble yourself
about putting the fancy quilt
together I left there. I will

finish it myself some day.
I intend giving it to Ed for
a bridal present when he
gets married, for I never expect

to marry myself and want
him to have all the nice things
I make and you know I
make a great many -- I was
sorry to hear you had been
suffering so much with your

back, you must make you

a pitch plaster Mary Garrette

was suffering with her back
when I was there last Summer,
and she got some rich pine
and boiled it and skimmed
the top off and made her
a plaster. She said it did her
more good than any thing

she ever tried but you will
have to let it stay on until
it wears off -- I have been

suffering so much this week
with the rheumatism I think
'tis caused by the damp and
rainy weather we have been

having. I did not sleep but

very little last night, I was suffering so with a pain in my shoulder - Sister Mat is still in Athens. She wrote that she would be here last week but I suppose the roads were so bad she was afraid to start - we look for her every day - I received a letter from Aunt Eliza this week - She said she had been confined to her

bed for two months, but was improving. She spoke of Johnnie

She said they all enjoyed his visit so much and wished every day that he would come back- The Presbyterians gave a supper last Thursday night. We made seventy eight dollars we also had a post office and I was post Mistress. I would

write you all about it, if my

arm was not hurting me
I will send you the next
week's paper - I received a long
letter from Mollie Anderson

the same night I received
yours she wrote me about

every body. She said that
she intended going up to

spend the day with you
very soon, said she had rather
be with you than any one

else I don't believe a word

of it, for I know she enjoys
Mr. McClairn's company just

as much as she does yours -
you need not tell her this.

I was glad you

all sent me the Jacksonville

paper. I read it and then
sent it to Mrs. Kate Francis -
She said she would like to
get it every week, said she
intended writing to Mr Grant
to send it to her - Betty Francis

married such a nice Gentleman.
he has a store here. Hugh
Francis is a great beau with

the girls - he is very much pleased
with Fayetteville - Tell Mat Francis
that I spent the evening with
Mrs Francis the other evening
and we wished for her
often. Mrs Francis said she
had rather see her than any
body - Dear Willie I was
sorry to hear she was no better
I do wish she could get well -
You never have mentioned
Mr Caldwell's name in any

of the letters I have received

from you lately, I hope you
have not parted after living
together so long - I would
give any thing to see him.
Why don't Johnnie and Ed
answer Jessie's and Willie's
letters - yours in haste

Kate

Love to all and excuse
bad writing - let me know

if you receive the scraps so

many things have been lost
that was sent by mail Mrs

Bagley was here the evening
I received your letter she sent

you one of the buff scraps
I am going to put them in
the office myself I will
be sure they start if you

never get them