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if Mack and Neal ever
received a letter from me I
begin to think it most time I
heard from it; just mention my
opinion sometime when you go to
see them.

We had fresh blackberries yesterday
I paid a dollar in specie for a
a water bucket full, they were
splendid I tell you, I got a
letter from Georgia last week, they
were all well and preparing to go
East next summer they will go next
month or the first of June certain
I expect, I wish Mother and I
were ready to go, but we cannot
tell how what a day may bring yet,
so I still hope I may go around
to Washington in time to visit New
England this summer. Warren gave
a friend of ours (Capt. Pittard)
a letter of introduction to William and
requested him to take him around to see

you - We had got there by this time and I
New York I hope you will all be looking well.

Will just say goodnight Warren
I miss you & you and
all. I hope they family
you will
Acc. to, March.

Brownsville Texas
Thursday 8:30 P.M.

Dear Sister,
I received your letter
some time since, but this is the first
opportunity to answer, I wrote
Mother last week and Monday we
went to Brazos and took it down.
there was a party of seven of us, we
left here on horseback at seven
in the morning, arrived at White Pine
at ten a distance of twenty-five miles
there we found the train waiting for
us and proceeded to Brazos, remain
ed until three in the afternoon and
then started back, left White Pine
at five and got home about eight,
we call that pretty good riding,
fifty miles on horseback in about
six hours for green-horns will do very

well I think, and the most
surprising thing of all was that
we were neither blistered or lamed
I felt as well the next day as I
ever did, we made pockets in
our riding dresses for a little in-
adapters but had no occasion to use
it, take it all around we had a
glorious time.

I am sorry that you did not send
me that long letter you had written
the more I hear from some the
letter I feel would be willing that
it should be all about our
Parties and your school if you choose
to write on those subjects, you
must remember that I have been
gone for a number of months and
haven't had my share of your
evening recitations, so must insist
that hereafter I am to have my
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letter full of nonsense I expect
you I can hardly remember a
word — We have had three steamers
arrive within a week there are two
at Brazos now, one of them we
have not received the mail from
yet, I hope it will have half a
dozen for me, I am waiting for
Waver to come home and bring
them to me, We received a letter
from Sallie today, in almost every
letter she speaks of having written
you but says nothing of receiving
any answer, I'm afraid you are
delinquent with your correspondents
be sure you do not use me
so badly, I must write to Sully
by this boat, I got a letter from
him by the last steamer before
this, I would like to be home
now so much — you are all at
home now but Ned — I wonder

Brownsville Texas Apr 12 (1866)
Thursday 7:30 PM

Dear Sister,

I received your letter some time since, but this is the first opportunity to answer. I wrote mother last week and the Monday we went to Brazos and took it down. There was a party of seven of us. We left here on horseback at seven in the morning arrived at White Ranche at ten a distance of twenty-five miles there we found the train waiting for us and proceeded to Brazos remained until three in the afternoon and then started back left White's Ranche at five and got home about eight. We call that pretty good riding. Fifty miles on horseback in about six hours for green horns will do very well I think and the most surprising thing of all was that we were neither blistered or lamed. I felt as well the next day as I ever did. We made pockets in our riding dresses for a little six shooter but had no occasion to use it. Take it all around we had a glorious time.

I am sorry that you did not send me that long letter you had written the many I hear from home the better I feel would be willing that it should be all about Mr. Porter and your school if you choose to write on those subjects. You must remember that I have been gone for a number of months and haven't had my share of your evening recitations. So must insist that hereafter I am to have my rights. I wrote Mother a long letter full of nonsense I expect for I can hardly remember a word. We have had three steamers arrive within a week there are two at Brazos now, one of them we have not received the mail from yet. I hope it will have half a dozen for me. I am writing for Warren to come home and bring them to me. We received a letter from Sallie today in almost every letter she speaks of having written you but says nothing of receiving any answer. I'm afraid you are delinquent with your correspondents be sure you do not use me so badly. I must write to Sully by this boat. I got a letter from him by the last steamer before these. I would like to be home now so much you are all at home now but me. I wonder if Nuck and Meal ever received a letter from me I begin to think it most time I heard from it, just mention my opinion sometime when you go to see them/

We had fresh blackberries yesterday I paid a dollar in Specia for half a water bucket full. They went splendid I tell you. I got a letter from Georgia last week. They were all well and preparing to go east next summer they will go next month or the first of June certain I expect. I wish Mother and I were ready to go but we cannot tell here what a day may bring forth so I still hope I may go around to Washington in time to visit New England this summer. Warren gave a friend of ours (Capt. Pritchard) a letter of introduction to William and requested him to take him around to see you. He has got there by this time and gone on perhaps to New York I hope you will all be looking nice. Well must say good night Warren joins in love to you and all the rest of the family.

Your sister,

Acca L. Purdy