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Richland July 30th 1851

My Dear Sister,

From the appearance of this you'll perceive that I have arrived in safety at home, in accordance with your request I enquired in the office for your letter before I left Oxford, and sure enough I got it; I got home on Friday morning but through neglect have not attempted a reply to your last until now (Wednesday), I was out to Church at Richland on Sunday when I had the pleasure of meeting many of my old friends, and among the number Joe H. Pickett who was deranged when I saw him last; He is looking quite well, and seems to have his senses as well as ever he did, My friends were all so glad to see me that they could not think of letting me go home to dinner, so after many very pressing invitations I concluded to dine with Tom Nelson; Mrs. Noel was at Mr. Nelsons and was enquiring of me when you would be here, and said she intends visiting you ^{when you come} let it be sooner or later, I saw Mr. Hazard at church, who,

not-withstanding there is no great love existing be-
tween him and the rest of the family, spoke to
me as friendly as ever, and invited me to come
and see him, Cousin Pittie is, and has been, he
told me, at Black-hawk for three weeks past, stay-
ing with Miss McLeod, who will come home with
her in a few days, Misses Virginia & Ellen Hunger have been
spending a few weeks down on the bay, I have not seen
them yet, but unless something should happen which
as yet lies hid, I will see them before this time next
week. As my pen and paper are all so near I
make short work of it and return to things
of more importance, We have heard nothing di-
rect from your trunk, but understand there are
several lost trunks in Canton, and if yours is
among the number we will know it in a few days.
Pa came in while I was writing this and I asked
him if I could go out to see you, - he answered
in a jolting manner, if I could find the money.
So as I already have the money, you may tell
for me between now and the 6th of August.
Not to tax your time any longer I'll wind up by
stating that all are well, and the crops very
flourishing. Write soon, Yours affectionately
Jesse

P.S. your room in which I am now writing, seems
deserted as you are not here,

BIG
JUL
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MISS



Mrs. Mary M. Sanders
De-Poto
Clark County
Miss



