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Samar Miss, Nov 18<sup>th</sup> / 87-

Dear Brother

Enclosed I hand you the right half of One Fifty two Twenty + One Two dollar bill, the left of which I will send by next mail. I rec<sup>d</sup> your stating the amt. you would need &c in due time, being the first I had rec<sup>d</sup>. for about two months, Sister Mary & Amelia each rec<sup>d</sup>. a letter from you a day or two since, which they will answer soon.

This leaves us all enjoying fine health, Cousin Terzah & Mr. Chambers have been with us for several weeks, Mr. C. left here for Texas and got as far as the line between Texas & Arkansas & concluded he was satisfied, having traveled through a good portion of Arkansas, & returned, so they are both at our house at this time, Mr. C. was not very well pleased with Arkansas, he says he believes old N.C. is about as good as any of them, Father & the whole family are very much pleased with both, Cousin Terzah & Mr. Chambers, I for myself never saw two persons that pleased me better, I am sorry the time is near to hand when they have to leave us. They expect to leave our house in a day or two, will spend  
Over



a few days at Mr Reynolds, below Holly Springs, I then expect to start for home,

Our Old friend Dowdle & family leave our Country for Arkansas tomorrow morning, has sold out his plantation to Mr. Govan, so he is going to try Ark. I guess you have heard that Green Dugh & George Goodwin have moved to Ark. they left last fall. Wader Miller has also moved, but not to Ark. but went to Tishamingo, Terry Dalton has bought land & will move to 'Tish' about Christmas. Jim Potts has also left Samos & gone to Lawrenceburg Tennessee, with the old goods of French & Potts, I tell you Lowndes, if you know this place, it will be a wonder, for every thing has undergone a change since you left.

Our Old School mate Robert Harper, was married on the 29<sup>th</sup> Sept last to one of your new Cousins a beautyfull girl, Miss Martha Blair a niece of our mother, & they are all at our house at this time, Robt H. has not attend much from when you saw him. Though he dresses much finer, which makes him look better of course, they expect to start for Arkansas in about two weeks,

Father rec<sup>d</sup>: Your Daquerotype a few days since, not one of us would have



Known it had it not have been for Cousin  
T & M. C. from it I would think that you  
had changed, quite as much in appearance,  
as Samar possibly could. Your Young  
friend Mr Grant has not arrived yet, I am anxious  
to see him. Samar has not improved a great  
deal since you left, it contains two dry goods  
houses, Ours & Dowdy & Luck, two Groceries, Barnetts  
& Houston & Wilking, one Boot shop, two  
Tailor shops, two Blacksmith shops, two saddle  
and harness shops, two Churches, Methodist  
& Presbyterian, one Odd Fellows Lodge, one  
Free Masons Lodge, & one 14-sons of temperance,  
so you can guess what for a city Samar is.

You inquired in your last about  
Uncle Babel. We have not heard from him  
for a long long while, I have written to him  
once or twice but he has not answered my letters.

In consequence of the very long drought  
last summer, crops are very short in this neigh-  
bourhood, father planted 250 acres in Cotton,  
will make about 60 Bales, & scarcely corn  
enough to do him, but with the old corn  
he has, he will probably make out without  
buying any this year.

It is hardly necessary for  
me to say that I have no news for if your  
patience does not weary at this non interesting  
trash I have scribbled you they will do



better for you than mine has for me,  
for I am getting ashamed my self, & if  
I don't close soon, I think I will decline  
sending this at all, so in order to send you  
the change spoken of before I will send  
it any how. Write soon & give me all

The news, I remain as ever  
Your affectionate Brother  
W. S. Bradwell }  
Rockford }  
N.C. }  
W. S. Bradwell

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