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### Letter from J. S. Sweet to B. R. Colson

J. S. Sweet

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R.F.D # 7 Tampa Fla.

Jan. 11 - 1913.

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I would <sup>be</sup> glad to raise my  
children where they will be  
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my children are all Girls but  
one. I have 8 Girls & one Boy.

now Mrs. Colson you write  
me just what you honestly  
think would be best for me.  
I am making a living here  
but I dont like to rear my  
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your Bro in Christ

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