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My dear Mother

I wrote you sometime since but have never gotten any letter from you so Mary wrote me tho that your hand was stiff so that ought to keep you from trying to write me I have gotten two letters from Richard lately & answered the first one & think will write you this time instead of Richard & say to you that I do not want to sign anything that would cut you out of a support from your land & home that was left ^{for} you I understand that it was something of the kind that he ^{Richard} wants me to sign I have never gotten the papers but I will not sign it if I did unless I see you first I want you to live there & feel independant of anybody & just have anything & everything you want of your own If you do not need the rent you can give it to Richard But Ma be sure & keep it just as it was fixed for you & enjoy all the comforts your money can give you Do not live there stinting yourself of anything you know it is yours & no one elses & do ^{not} let anyone have the contrall of it I would not hesitate to sign my own right away to that estate, but I never will sign yours away I do not care what promise is made you I would not want to see you at your old home if it did not belong to you just as it was left for you Yours

promised us that you would never sign
 yours right away & I hope you have not
 I want to go & see you this fall if possible
 Martha is here with me & seems to be very
 honest & will take care of everything the
 best she can. We are all getting on here
 about as usual Rosa - has been here & stayed
 5 weeks with the little boys her babe was
 very sick when she came but improved very
 much she is with Mittie now & writes me that
 he is improving ^{still} & getting real fat she
 expects to go home next week Jimmie &
 Mit have paid us two visits each this summer
 They both seem very well I have a good
 garden & the most chickens I ever did have
 I had 47 turkeys as large as grown hens &
 they all disappeared in one day & night but
 3 & I have not heard of them since I am so
 lonely I do care much for anything I wish you
 would come & spend the winter with me this year
 Mr Tate is about as well as has been has not
 had a spell of Rheumatism since Spring
 He is trying very hard to reform now does not
 drink so much & I think his health is better
 I make a heap of butter now but it has been
 so hot I have not sent it off for two weeks I
 have not seen any of the kin out here lately I
 have been looking for Bro Johns children for some
 time but none of them comes Leous Lallie Wright came
 & spent a day or two with me I expect she has gone
 home ere this I will write & tell you when I can
 go over there you must come home with me Give my
 best love to Richard Sister Ashue Martin Will & all of the
 relatives I accept much of love from your own self
 From your loving daughter



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