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Col Pickhlyon

Dear Sir

I received yesterday
a letter from Matome she was at Mountain Falls Long they
mean her charge one was getting along very well that a
great many debts came again Kennedy appears he has paid
nothing since he was married getting by they are Credit
Matome has paid off a good many debts contracted by
her sister the children has two Amles two horses two
wiggins all this property is perishable property and
ought to be turned ^{into} Cash and put out on interest
for the Benefit of the children - Matome say she found
the children nearly starved to death and nearly naked for
clothing Emmet is a big fat boy now she say he has
fattened up since she got him she say he is very smart quick
but cant talk little Peter is a poor little puny child
was affected by the Stomach bowels Complaint and nothing
is very sickly she is afraid she will not be able
to raise him he is so weakly and cannot stand home
until he gets well the Catholic Priest cried him and
called him Michael she went all round the farm with
Solomon and some one him and fifty acres ground up and
the fences very rotten but will have it fenced and cleared up
the undergrowth I wrote he to rent it out the first year for
the clearing of the ground up - that is the part that I ground
up she say Col Howell will not do to trust

It will be a new start all most but when we get
one crop ahead then and something to work on
and something to feed stock on we might go
down and run the place ourselves that if I
think I can make it pay Cotton is money
and this Country is not a Cotton Country My Renter up
here on my place had in 35 acres on place
and 15 on another farm and all I get will be
about half thousand pounds of seed Cotton will not quite
make four bales - - we havey some heavy freeze
weather now more high waters than we ever know
Dorovina writes my heart torn for something to eat
down at Port York My health is improved now
I can ride around I took Blue Map Mollie has had
a very severe attack of Cough but getting over it
she is doing very well I tell her to work and manage
like her Aunt does and she will be all right
the only trouble is she wants to desert a little to find
a place her Aunt did not allow her to go but she
will strate every thing up when she comes home and will
find plenty work to be done I am sorry to say Vinty and Anjin
is Mollie feeling other way has first rate older she gets the
more study she will be better we once gets the children
home we will be all right Madrine will have rest - Mollie takes
great interest in the children coming home I hope Madrine and
children will get home safe

Respectfully
L. H. Larson