

Hodgeman November 30th

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My Dear Mamma and Sisters although i have been

mimies head she will brake anything we put on her her head

is a great deal worse than when you was here it has broke in a -

another place where the matter can run in her eye so two places
and putting in all 25

all are a running, and she don't want any body to touch it

or wash it - but i try to keep it out of her eye when i can

we have doctored her head twice with a quill a long time

ago but saw no pipe it would make you feel bad to see it

it fairly sets me wild about it - Grandpa thinks he will or has

spoke about chaining her and Collie has went down seller and

hunted up a chain the only rossi we have got died last night -

we picked him and cut him for the rats and dogs so we have no

rouster young or old that-i know of we are just-out-of hen feed.

but Grandpa has started off now to get some of piece at 65 cts a

busket with 30 cents in his pocket - 15 of it to pay for the other we

got i will tell you about it - it was the bottom of his bin it was

so full of dirt that Mr. Pierce thought there was about one peck of soap

in it but it took pretty near 2 bags full & ranolpa thought there

was a $\frac{1}{2}$ bushell of rice corn in it but we pretend there is a peck of seed

in it to any body else the old dominike hen is dead our tall rooster

came up missing  the other day and I felt the wolf got him ^{him} ^{up}

so we are bad off. Grandpa bought 3 small ^{hogs} of Grigby for 2 cts. §

apound all dressed and a short time before a large ham and shoulder.

of a large hog or an old sow for 10 etc a pound we have salted it all

down we have eat the soul we are a baking head once in a while

when i have time there is one a baking now we all work like

niggers slaves Lewis and i have been picking up buffalo chips

Ernie Brancha and Hollie drewed sorghum stalks from Grandy

timber claim they have, then all drawn in and in pretty cords

between the stacks of hay and all in from uncle Joe's claim in

a little stock brander has just come home from Pierce but he

was gone and locked up so L. and I went to ~~the~~ aikens to get