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Dear Calla:

You wrote me a very beautiful letter, and I appreciate it. I have thought many times of our early days in Hodgeman county when we were so young and happy with so little, which now seems necessary to ones happiness.

You may be interested in knowing that as the years have passed, I think I have felt an increased regard for your mother. You, too, were young at the time, but you must realize how faithfully she tried to carry on under the difficulties which beset us in those early days. I don't recall that I ever saw her again. You were first in Kinsley, later on in Leavenworth, and then I think in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Your father and mother were married so young and things did not break well with them for sometime.

I have not heard anything about Leilah for some years, and there was another sister whom I never saw.

I have done quite a good deal of work on our Genealogy, and I do not know whether you are aware of the fact that through Ann Collins, Collins Gowdy's grandmother for whom she was named, we are direct descendants of William Bradford, Governor of Plymouth Colony and the greatest historian produced by that colony.

Gertrude was one of five children--the youngest and the last to pass away.

With love and best wishes, I remain

Your cousin