

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers

I could take him in my armes this minuet and love him. I hope Portia is good little girl. I will write to her soon.

Well Booker it was a great surprise [to] us to hear of Charley's² condition. You have heard Dear Olivia speak of him he was wild, and if ever any body tried to make any thing out of a nother she did in his case. That is why he feels her death so much. We thought he must be dead for the past two years. I sent the letter to Kelly.³ Charley has written to us he got our address from you. He sais he got the picturs you sent to him and I think he values them more highly then any thing he ever got in his life. I am glad that you was so kind to him, for this is a world of sorrow. All send love to you.

Good by Dear brother and write when you can. Your sister

M. A. Elliott

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¹ Eliza Davidson.

² Charles E. Davidson.

³ William K. Davidson.

To John Henry Washington

[Tuskegee, Ala.] Aug 31 [1891]

Mr. J. H. Washington, Supt Industries: As to the Barn I notice that the plows, wagons &c under the barn are not kept in an orderly systematic manner. They are thrown here and there much as one would see them on an ordinary country farm. This should not be so.

Provide a small boy to be kept on the girls' side under the charge of the matron, to clean around the buildings regularly.

There is one stove in Annex and two laundry that need to come out.

See me about fixing Dr. Dillon's office at annex.

B. T. Washington

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