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~~Brownwood~~
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Dear Daisy

Mrs. Godfrey, my
oldest sister I asked to
write all the particulars
regarding the sickness &
death of my dear sweet
wife. I thought I was pre-
pared for the worst before
leaving home, as the Dr.
had told me medicine
would do her no good, and
his & Dr. Machein's medicine
had proven failure to give
any relief, and Nellie had
refused to try any more
after trying it to no effect.
The Dr. here told me that

if the microbes or germs had
of affected the lungs she
might have lived many
years - but they had destroyed
the tissues & sweat gland
that supplied the body with
blood & she had lived on
just what her body con-
tained 60 days ago - Judging
from the emaciation, she
was nothing but skin & bone
weighed only 71 lbs the
morning we left Santa
Ana - I asked her when
she went to your home
to tell you & bro. Oscar
all about her condition &
have the most eminent
physician in Brownwood
examine & prescribe for her -

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but she said your thoughtful
dieting was what she
needed. The Dr. here tells
me that he did not think
medicine would have
done her any good. &
the trip has not last her
many if any days. that
the trouble was the wasting
of blood. organs being dis-
trayed that supplied it. She
was happy in the thoughts
of making the trip, and
gish of the last moment
had I told her she could
not come, think it would
have been the hardest
blow of her life. And I
had never denied her
any wish. And feel she

Could not have lasted but
few days of health - Am glad
I did not deny her the
long anticipated & proposed
trip to Ca. for if I had I
would have always con-
sured myself for it - I
told her the day before
she died that she was very
sick & if she had any re-
quest to make I thought it
was best to do so - She
said without hesitating
that she wanted Salena -
(my sister Mrs. Pritchett) to
take care of the children
to give Uncle her gold ring
& then said no, you are
going to give Howard your
watch & the ring will suit
Carroll better than any

thing I have, and give
Merle my little band
ring & the other one.
Sodd burny me here,
I said we have no
burial ground here, but
have in Cortesville, she
said that was what
she meant. She told Sister
just where she would find
Cup Towels, dish rags, and
many other things, said
they were not in place
but she had them hid from
the girl & to burn up all
the ones the girl had
used, that she hated for
her to see how the girl
had left things, but she
could not help it &c.

She was perfectly rational
until within a few minutes
of death. Ate ice right
up to the time of death.
Always answered with
a smile & her mouth never
changed at death, the same
sweet smile was on her
lips. I had a beautiful
Casket ordered from Atlanta
& sister had buried her in
the suit Leila made with a
few changes in sleeves & neck.
She died at 12:30 ^{A.M.} o'clock &
was buried at 10 " A.M.
the next day - in Sister
Persis' enclosure in the
Cemetery where Grandpa Uncle
Aunt, Cousins & many others of
the family will rest - Lollie
& I had decided not to be buried
in the Cemetery at Santa Anna if

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any way did before a
new Cemetery was started
We will start home
Thursday next, and be
in Brunwood on the
Foot-Wood & Rio Grande
next Saturday evening
would be glad to see Bro.
Oscar and all of you,
if you are well enough.
if not, want you all to
visit & love myself and
little ones as of the past.
The children are very
well except little Cora
my tooth is broken, but
I am doing the best
I can. Much love &
kisses from all. Yours
Affect bro. H. W. Kinney