

Middletown, Oct 10th, 1862

Dear Aunt

I received your kind letter last night. I was so glad to hear from you and I hope you were well, we are all well except Henry he has some thing like the (?) but he does not complain. We are fixing to go to a grand fish fry tomorrow but I don't expect we will get to go it is so cold and cloudy and we have not got any horses yet. We will try and get some this evening. George is at Corpus Christi now. He has not been home since he has been down there and that has been 3 months. We get letters from him every week or two we got a letter from him day before yesterday. He is not very well satisfied down there. And I suppose Ann has got a baby at last well if it is a girl I want to name it Susie Jones and I will make it a present when I come over there.

How does Lizzie Mayo come on has she got one too? There has been a real spress around here there has been eight or ten the same age. Mollie Shipman and Adele Paxton have fine boys. Mollie's is named Eddie and Adele's is named Willie after there Neelys. We are living at Middletown and it is the last place on earth to live in. Inquire Mr. Jacobs to tell you about that shooting scape we had at church one Sunday night. I never was scared so bad in all my life. I thought I was shot myself. I tore my white swiss off me nearly and I had a new beau to boot. There is going to be another big meeting next Sunday, I am going I reckon but I do not want to be scared to death again. Tell Ada Kantz (K oonce?) I would like to see her very much and will write to her the first opportunity I have next time. This time I have to write a long letter for you

and fix for the fish fry. Mary says she thinks she answered your letter – since she thought of it she is certain of it. She sent that paper by it. You must write often and I will do the same.

Give my love to all and especially Ann and the Kantz (Koonce?) girls. I haven't had time to write any more. All send their love Write soon.

Your affectionate niece,
Sue

Note: "Sue" was Susan Marie Jones, later Wiggins, living near Liber , Texas. "Ann" was probably Ann Bosworth, married to some Jones, whether of this Mabry Jones family is not known
Susan Maria was probably married at this time. The rest of the family had moved near Terryville.

Note: It was Leroy P. Jones. .

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