

all you suffered.

Give my love to - Pitt, and many
kisses to your dear ones.

With best love, and a good
big hug for your precious self
I am fondly & truly your
devoted sister

Bev



Fort Selden.

New Mexico -

May 11th 1884.

My Precious Sister:

Your long and sad
letter was received only two days
before I left Wengate for this place, &
I should have answered it sooner, but
for the more, and numerous
other things to attend to in get-
ting settled.

I like Selden very much. It is
a lonely place, but Arthur is in
command, and I can do just
as I want.

I have only three rooms & a
small kitchen, but it is enough
with my family.

How are you getting on, and

When will you be comforted? How
I wish I had to be with you, so I
might take care of you and
your little ones.



Let me know how you are, and
if your child will keep well.
Oh me! you too know what it
is to miss a loved one so!

Sometimes I nearly go crazy over
my loss, and yet, for his sake,
I would not have him back.

He is so beautiful an angel,
to long for him here. I so often
fancy our dear ones hand in
hand before Lewis, Allan and
Malcolm pleading for us.

They will meet us, you may be
sure, when our time comes.

I always think of you in my
bitter grief, and you may
be assured of my deepest
love and sympathy.

We are all well, & I am glad to
tell you I am not in family way.
My Jessamy is sure I believe.

Is Etta Hardy living? She was
given up when I was east? How
are the girls, or don't you know.

I wrote Pettie about 6 months
ago, and she has never an-
swered my letter. I hope they
are all well. What kind of a
child is her little girl? I
wish I could see you all: if
it was not for my boys I would
go east twice a year, but it
is too expensive with them.

You cannot write me all
about yourself.

Arthur sends his very warm
love & sympathy to you. He
rept-like a child over your
sorrow. He is just from his
own little years, and knows