

Perry Kans.

Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Dearest Mattie, I come  
to Perry Sat night. John met  
me at the train, and I went out  
home with him stayed all night  
Carl brought me out home yesterday  
and Santa Claus came last night  
brought me two shirts and some candy  
brought Walter a suit of clothes  
necktie, ball, overshoe, watch and  
candy. Walter is tickled and he  
could not eat much breakfast  
I got your letter and the money  
all right.

Mr Tom Kirby died Thursday  
was buried Sat,

and little Tom Kirby shot and  
killed the operator Wednesday  
morning at the hotel, shot him  
3 or 4 times, and then got on  
a horse and went to Okaloosa  
and gave himself up to the sheriff.  
I guess I will go to Leocompton  
to day and find out when the  
freight leaves there, so I can ship  
the calves. I will have to get  
some lumber and make some  
crates to ship them in, and I  
will find out then what day I  
will come home.

I think I will be home Thursday  
noon but will let you know  
as soon as I go to town.

So that is all for this time be a good  
girl till I get home.

Xmas gift. please, so have some-  
thing for me when I come.

Bye, Love and kisses

H. C. Heller

P. S. Locomotion I will leave  
here wednesday noon. but will  
have to go with the calves. will  
get to Perry sometime friday  
you will have to send my  
team to Perry friday

if the roads are good let them  
bring in a load of wheat  
for I will have to pay  
the freight when I get there  
you will have to take  
the buggy and go up and  
tell Ab. to come to Perry  
Friday after his if you  
dont feel like going and  
some for I cant get a  
letter out to him in time  
for him to get it

Yours

H. C. H.