

Confidential

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Timpson Tex

Dear sweet girl

I will try and write you
a few lines to see if

you are still a live

yet and if you are dead

you will never know

no disease will you?

But hope you are well

Esther as I was looking

through my trunk

I came across one

of your letters and

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read it over and could
 not recast the Temptation
 No longer I had all ready
 my pencil & tablet in
 my lap and I just sit
 down and commenced
 writing a lead as it
 though I didnt know
 what I was a bout
 I had to cry when I
 read it for it had
 something in it a bout
 me & Edgar. where you
 said you had that
 we were married
 no. Darling that was not
 so and I never will
 be. he has forsaken
 me and gone and

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loved a rather one,
 and I guess perhaps
 far more beautifull
 than I, and one has
 has a sweeter voice
 and a smoother ~~mouth~~
 tongue and winning
 ways. I have a right
 to believe that the
 name time cared for
 me. But O! gone gone
 never to meet on this
 earth again.
 But that is all wright
 with me. I have found
 one one that I think

just as pretty as as good
 I guess you know him
 Jessie Page, I loved him
 first any way and will
 love him edist, he is
 coming to see me right
 a way & he lives out
 east, a bout 60. miles,

Dear dont
 let any one see this please
 for my sake am way,
 Burn it as soon
 as you read it,
 for I would not write
 or tell any body else
 what I love you & I,
 have a lots of confidence
 you, I love you & I
 would a sister if I

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anyone to love. I have
always longed for a
sisters company but
dont guess I'll ever
have the pleasure of that
not until my Brother
marries no way I guess
you understand what
I mean, I mean I never
expect to marry a boy
that has a sister but
a mighty good old
married. I dont mind
I'll give my self a
way want I. Esther is
I use to marry and was

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to invite you would
you come?

That may be the case
 some time before all
 ways,

Well dear girl I'll
 have to go and churn
 and wash the dishes,

I have got my summer
 hat. Ordered it from
 Sears Roebuck and Co.

I made me a pair of
~~slippers~~ and making
 me a rather ~~fine~~ to
 day ~~the~~ ~~best~~ thing
 in the ~~series~~ and

7 ~~the~~ ~~best~~ embroidery
 I think is wright pretty
 I will make me a

waist to morrow I'll
send you a piece of
it it is white silk
mul, cost 25 cents
a yd. would get a whole
dress of it but that was
all of it

O' yes, Billie Chipman
is dead ~~Belle~~ Birtas
old man, she and the
Baby lives at home one
more time

yes Aunt Virgie's
Baby is still a live,
is just as much like
his ma as can be
and you know we all
all must worship it
it had a child to

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day mama is down
there all is a slup but
me, dont any one show
I am writing to you
well honey I'll best to
ring off de my letter
is ending to an end
all ways remember
me dear Esther
far soon & ever thy
friend

Lela

Ans soon and a bang
letter and I'll tell you
all next time
Lela