

State of Florida Washington county orange hill
 May the 3rd 1876 Dear children I recieved your letter
 April the 11th but I had no stamps to mail a
 letter nor no money to buy one it is hard Times here
 and were a coming there is no money in the
 country I have nothing yet but I will go and do
 the best I can well this leaves us all on foot
 and at work my health is not very good but I
 keep up all the time I have nothing very peculiar
 to write you David stays daughter Mary died
 on Friday night the tenth of March Jordan and family
 is all well and doing well ~~and~~ our crop is as
 good as we could expect we had so much cold and
 hard beating rains when you write again Tell me
 if you know any thing about Robinson and if you
 know any thing about aural cooper and what
 become of his wife well I dont know what more to say
 to you now we have preaching every Sunday Miss
 Soosannah for me for I shall never see her unless I
 can get some body to come with me I will kiss
 little Lizzie ^{Dear} for you I will close my letter by signing
 my name Selma Star

Dear Brother & Sister I set myself to write
 you a few lines which leaves me hardly
 all well as usual Happily these lines may
 find you all well & doing well I say
 to you that Times is hard for Money is so
 scarce it is impossible to get any Money and
 Corn is scarce & Worth \$1.00 to 1.25cts per
 Bushel Dry Goods is Cheap Annap if there
 was any Money to buy them Flour 8.80 to 12 Dollars
 Sugar 50cts Crops is as good as could be
 expected I have about 28 or 30 Achors in Corn
 this year me & my Croper I have Dick me a Rowed
 of 3 1/2 or 4 Achors and I am planting it in Rice and
 Corn and if every thing works Right I want to put