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ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.,

1891.

Strange how the world changes! Just a few years back we used to be together in Raleigh and I used to drive you and Sister around with the big bay horse. Sister has gone and you have helped to mould her dear children as they should be. My own darling wife is an angel too and here I am asking you to throw your good influence around her child.

I do not know what to say. You know us all and our simple ways and our candor. We ask you to come because we want you to come and it only remains for you to make up your mind about it.



When? Now or as soon as you can.  
Cous. Joa is sick in bed now; Martha  
is sick too every now & then and I will  
take her and the Baby to Wisconsin tomorrow  
and leave him there till I can hear  
from you. They are so indulgent to  
him there that I do not like for  
him to remain there too long.

As to compensation, say the same  
Mother said. And all details we  
would arrange without trouble.

Travelling expenses I would pay also.

I am doing pretty well and am able to  
do this.

Now, Cous. Ric write me freely what  
you think of it, what you will do.

Very affecy -

Thos. H. Battle



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Dear Cousin Pie:

I hardly know how to begin, but I will come right to the point. Cousin Ida and I want you to come here and live with us and take care of my baby. She is as anxious for it as I am. Baby is just as good and as strong as he can be ~~but~~ and the easiest child in the world to manage, but he is getting to the age when he should have more attention from a lady than Cous. Ida's health allows her to give.

The nurse, Martha, also wants to leave, having stayed with me as long as her ruling disposition allows her to



stay anywhere. Cousin Doa is very fond of him and very kind to him ~~and~~ but says that he ought to have some lady to look after him, especially when she is sick. We have a house boy who is a capital nurse and plays with him when the weather allows him to go out doors.

Now both Cous Doa and I agree that you are the best in the whole world, if only you will come, and I know of no one to whom I would as readily trust the dear child. He is much like Sister's children and as easily managed and you were so sweet to them that I would regard it as a real blessing if your good influence could be thrown around him.

You would have a first rate room and would, you know, find Cous. Doa a congenial companion and me — what you have always known me.