

Corpus Christi,
Feb. 8th 1879.

Dear Quite,

About an hour ago a Telegramme apprised me of Pepe's sudden death, in 'Rancho de los Tres, quillas.' on the 6th of February, night before last he suddenly died of congestion to the lungs, as the Doctor predicted last year, he was only 39 years of age and might have enjoyed life to a good old age, but for the one thing! - this morning they buried him in Santa Maria. Jim would not rest but that his body was to be brought here, so on Monday, Charlie, Jim and some friends will start and bring the body to Corpus, it will take a week for them to

return; It seems so strangely unreal to me, that I probably will feel more when the consequences of his death, his unsettled affairs come home to me; that he leaves entirely unprovided for, you will expect, but how far we will be obliged to give up even the little we have, time will soon show. he is at rest, I hope in peace with his maker and all this worlds trouble will be like nothing to him; This new year has strangely brought terrible sickness and death ready. Charlie has just recovered from Euphemia, this is the reason why I did not write on Grandpa's birthday as I intended, as Charley was sick then but we did not know, what terrible disease he had. Mary and I were the only ones to take care of him nobody permitted to come, for fear that

the disease might spread. Sulphur and Glycerine is a sure remedy, applied with a brush and swallowed 3 times a day $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ tea spoonful; Your letter to Charlie arrived with the Telegram; mothers lines I received and will answer them directly, I enclose them in this and you can prepare her for the news, as she gets so strangely excited and it may be bad for her; mother writes that her health is better but says nothing about herself; I will not be able to write to every one of the family about Papa's death, so please tell uncles, and Shultzes, Pinter, binders and Rosenroths. I have written to Richard and Will Men just now.

Good bye, Dear Luit, I hope for peace and rest.
Yours ever affectionately
W. H. B.