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## Letter about Measles

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MIMS WILLIAMS  
GENERAL MERCHANT.  
COTTON BUYER.

MAGEE, MISSISSIPPI,

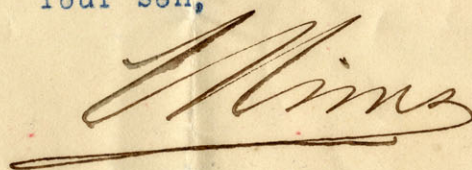
May 20th.1914.

Dear Mama:-

I have your letter informing me of the sickness of Gordon & Mims with measles at Port Gibson.. I am certainly sorry to know that they are away from home sick, but possibly it is alright. If the officials at the school look after them alright it might be better than having them come home and expose all the children there. I do not look with much alarm upon the mere measles- I have had severe cases twice so far and I never thought of the sickness as serious, more than being extremely sick for the time - not dangerously. If the boys are in fairly good condition of health and have taken proper exercise and in good shape I do not think that the measles will hurt them. They will doubtless be up within a few days. They should take good care not to be indiscreet for some days after they are able to get out. I shall be glad to go over there if you all think it advisable and that I could be of any aid or benefit to them. Of course I am busy, but in case of any sickness I shall be glad to do what I can at any time. I hope you are keeping your self well, Mama, and be sure that you do that all the time.

Nettie is in good health and I keep well and very busy. Much love to you all,

Your son,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mims", written in a cursive style. The signature is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.