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My Dear Cousins I will answer your kind letter that I received yesterday. Was glad to hear from you, this leaves us all well—but mama she fell down stairs and liked to of killed her self She's just getting over it. Aunty plant a big garden, for was is all an new ground Nola I have got me a garden I have got beans, onian and the lettuce Planted. Well Nola mama is making me a new dress and she has made Inne (Ina?) a new dress last week. Nola ya Spoke a bout going to School I haven't went nary a day to school this year it is so far... Atta evening hey Nola since fellow is coming assundy Evening. I wish you all was here with me a Sunday we would see a nice time Atta I wish you could see my fellow I know that you would like him I would like to see your fellow I know that he is pretty. Nola write and tell me your fellow name. well atta I cant haff rite Vasco is laughing so, Otho Clarence told Atta to rite and tell him who you was going to see. Otho you rite and tell who is Atta fellow, and I will tell you Clarence girl is I tell you that I was disappointed that I didn't know hardly what to do. I want you all to come this sumer if you don't I don't know what I will do I get so lonesome over here, just mauing of the Prairie and I don't know no body or have nola I would like to hear you saying, so you saying so sweet by you and atta must come to see me.

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I live for thee. And thee above wait for me until I get grown.

Nola a verse  
Birds love sunshine  
Flowers love dew  
Angels love heaven and I  
Love you. Bertie

Atta, if ever a husband you loved have and he this letter should see tell him of your youthful days and kissed him wants for me ho ho By By love Bertie