

+ Bill don't go with one
another now come yourself
& I will do my best to show
you a nice time. If I knew
Glossie's address I would
write to her & ask her for
we would love to have her
come also but you can
write to her for me can't
you Winnie & tell her how
I would like to have her come
I have so many letters to
write to friends & relatives we
are going to have a house
full if all come that say they
will but don't get scared
because of that for there's
always room for one more
Sincerely Maude XXXX

Bring Sa Rue if you can we
would like to have him to.
kiss him for me. Newberry Pa.

June 17 '06

Dear Cousin Winnifred.

I don't know
whether you are cross at me
or not but I trust you are
not if you knew how I
dreaded to write a letter
Winnifred I am sure you
wouldn't blame me so
much although I know
it wasn't nice in me
not to write & let you know
that I arrived home safely.
& thank you for the kind-
ness you showed me. but
Winnie this is my motto

you will never regret coming
for, they say it is to be so grand
that once seen it will never be
forgotten. if they have everything
they say they are going to have
it will certainly be something
worth seeing. They have chosen
the prettiest girl in Newberry as
Queen & her dress & her attend-
ants dresses will cost over
3,000. & Williamsport's Queen
will be much grander for
Newberry is only a suburb.
Now you & Billy talked of
coming over some time
soon why not come now?
We would be more than
pleased to have you both
if you can come & if you

for delayed & neglected
letters "Better late than never"

Pearl is to be married
Wednesday June 20th at
Geneva, N. Y. half past one.
I can't realize the time is
drawing near when I must
be without her. she is going
to live quite near at Jersey
Shore but I don't suppose
it will be the same between
us after she is married.

Winnie Mamma & I
want you & Billy to come over
& stay with us during the
Centennial Fair. Sure you
will have a nice time & that

[Postmarked June 21, 1906]

Berwick Pa.
Sted Light

My Dearest Will,

This rainy night
I will make pleasant
by writing to you Oh!
Will wouldn't it be
terrible if we couldn't
write to one another.

That is one great pleasure
we have isn't it dear.

I have had tonsillitis
all week so you know
how I feel. I was awful
sick with it Mon and
Tues but feel a great
deal better today. My
finger is about the
same and I don't
know what to do

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for it can't you suggest
something.

I got a letter from Maude
Froy today asking us
to come and spend
centennial with them
I think I have had enough
for one year here about
yourself. But of course
if you want to take
the ^{other} girl you nas to see
^{over sup.} you will have a
place to go. Ha! I will
enclose her letter and
then you can read
& return or give it to
my folks. I hope you
will go up & see them

for they will appreciate
it I am sick. I would
like to come home Sun
for I am getting home
sick. I dont know
how I can stand it
until I come back from
up here. I may come
Fri night or Sat morning
what do you think about it
is there any thing going on
over here Sat. a festival
any where. Now answer
this ~~and~~ will get Fri
and maby I will
come I can come
for \$1.55 by coming
in hi car to Bloom

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Millie Campbell & Eleanor
Spring two of my cousins
are at Uncle Wilson
Hollys I was going up
tonight but it rained
I was glad for I had
not aught to go out
with my throat. How
I wish you could be with
me tonight. you said
if you could be with
me you would love
and kiss me to death
you have loved me
a long time ^{still} and
kissed me quite often
I dare say 100 times a
minute and I am still

living ~~and~~ in hopes of
getting kissed that often
again. I think it would
be a pleasant death if
you would kiss me to
death dont you?

O well Dear I will have
to close or you will tire
of this how much. I enjoy
your sweet letters & how
I wish I could get one
every day my finger
is hurting so I can't
hardly write. How I wish
these kisses ^{were} reality
what a pleasure to have
your arms around my
neck and our lips meet

in those sweet kisses
I close to go to bed
to dream of you as
I hope you will of
me yours alone
Wm. J. Fred

Now please answer so I know
what to do about coming home.

Call up the Depot and tell my folks
that I am getting along all right
I will write to marrow would
write tonight but my finger
hurts too bad
Wm.

BERWICK, PA.
JUN 21
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1906



Mr. William R. Belles.
Benton, Pa.



Benton

June, 19, 1903

My Dearest little sweetheart

Well as it
is Tuesday night I will
have to fulfill my promise
or my little Darling
would be disappointed
and you know I would
not want to disappoint
you if I can help it
would I love, I do not
know very much
to write it has been
raining all the time
I have not been out

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Darling if you could
only be here how much
better it would be than
to write but as we can
not be together at present
we have to express our
love this ~~is~~ way but
it is a poor way.
I arrived home all
O.K. I had lots of fun
with beauty her did
not know where I was
and I told her I was
out to see another

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girl and it made
her mad and so
she said she did not
think it was very
smart of me for she
said Winifred was
a fine girl and
she did not think
it was treating you
right, she said she
would tell that you
found it out before
the last of the week,
I had lots of fun with
her about it but I
guess she knows

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different now.
oh love I wish it would
cost me so much
I would come over
again Saturday but
you know it takes
so much money
I was counting up
what it would cost
me to go camping
it will take ten dollars
clean cash then
I will have to loose
eight days work
and that will be

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other ten dollars I
tell you what it
take lots of cash for
those things but
we will find any
way. love if I could
only have you here
with me to night
I could hug and
kisses you death
oh darling I love
you so much
you will never

After 5 days, return to

BENTON, Columbia County, PA.



Miss Winifred Cole
Berwick
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Box 501

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[Postmarked June 15, 1906]

Berwick, Pa.
Thursday.

Dearest One.

Well dear I will now write a few lines in ans. to that dear sweet letter I received today. I was at Bloom all day and did not get back in time to get the mail before the office closed I want you to know I was a disappointed kid when we couldn't get in the office. I had a real nice time went down at 9:20 and got back at night last night. I was with Jennie

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all day after the Parade
we went up to the ball
game at the Normal.
I will send you the score
card and from that
you will see it was a fine
game. How many times
I thought of you during
the game and wished for
you to be with me how
much more I would
enjoyed myself and I think
it would of been more
pleasant for you than
working.

Geraldine and I are
going down town to
marrow night to hear

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a Phonograph so think
of me as I will of you.

Oh Bill, Harry is not
coming until the 4 of
August so I can go
camping for sure have
you found out whether
you can or not I hope
so for I know we will
have a dandy time.

How I wish you were
coming this Sat again
it is so lonely without
you. I have been good
Bill and I intended to
be I studied the matter
over and I came to
the conclusion I would

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like it if you was running
around with the girls
over home and I didnt
think you liked it very
well but never the less
you wouldnt say any
thing would you dear?
How I wish you would
Oh how much I would
of enjoyed that drive home
with you it must of been
great. Now you must come
soon again. But one thing
we will ^{try} try to do as we
did when we came from
Stilkes Barre Ha'
Now Dearie I want you
to answer this so I get

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a letter Sat or I will
never live over Sunday
So if you value my life
dont fail. I had a letter
from Floss Tuesday she
told me what a grand
time you had going home
Oh I declare I could write
all night if I thought you
wouldnt tire of reading.
would you I received the picnic
all @ 6 and will kiss you 100
times when I see you for being
so kind to your little girl
Oh I am glad the
day isnt far off when
we will be together to
be separated no more

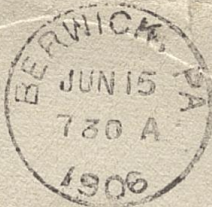
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this life not as pleasant
as it might be is it. It is
- ten o'clock and I must
go to bed to dream of you
You will be sure and
write with love and kisses
all from your
Own little Sweetheart

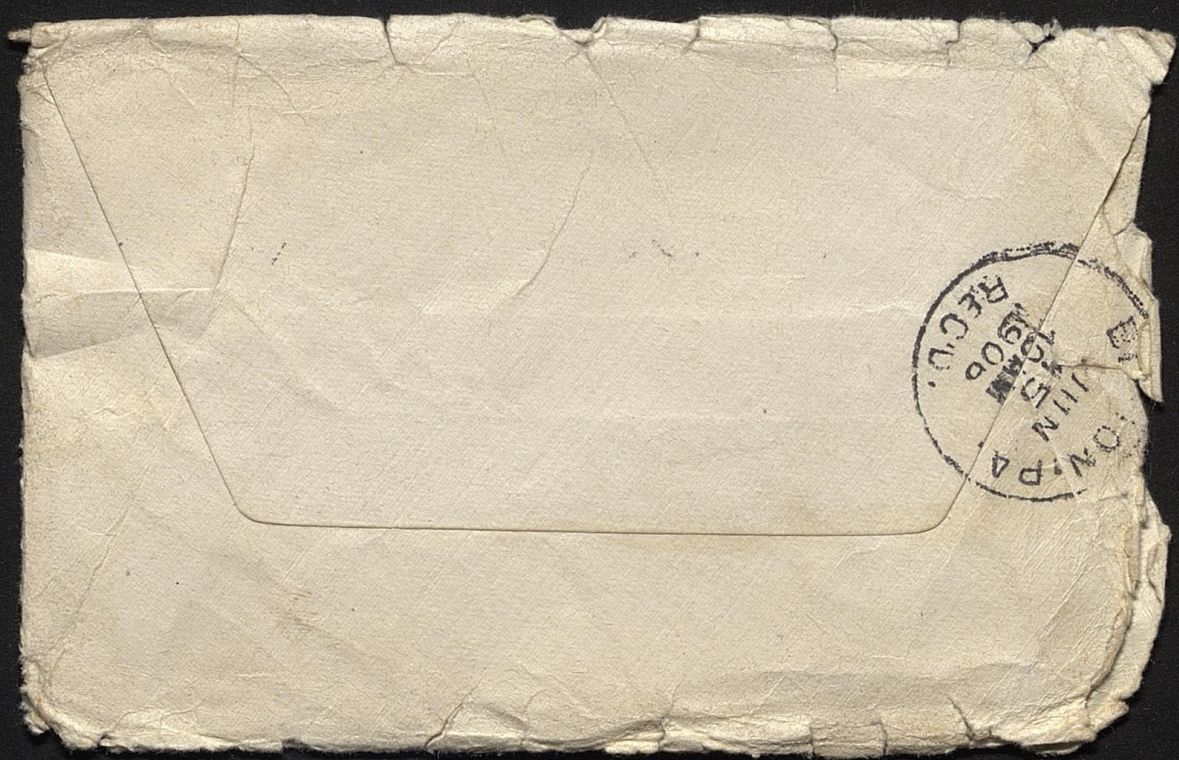
Thine Fred

I will call you at McHenry
House tomorrow night
about 7:15 so be around.
(your to be)

SS



Mr William R. Belles,
Benton,
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Benton

June 12 1906

my Dearest little love.

I will now
take the greatest pleasure
I have and ^{that} write to
my little sweetheart
who is so near and
Dear to me. Well
we arrived home all
safe and sound about
six o'clock it was ~~so~~
~~so~~ fine driving
it was so cold and
nice how much
you and I could

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enjoyed it if we could
of been together some
sweet ^{day} we can be
together and that will
be before a great many
to want ^{to} lol oh wif

you are so near ^{and}
dear to me you will
never know how
I love you. if I could
only have your sweet
face here by me to
night how nice
it would be.

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I was telling vada
that you was talking
of getting a silk
dress and that you
thought of sending
with floss. She thinks
that you can do
just as well over
there and she said
you would have the
first pick yourself
she ^{said} it took her
sixteen yards at
twenty five cents

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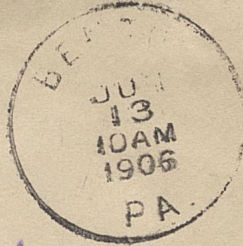
a yard and here
was 18 inches wide
and a satin finish
if you get one I want
you to get a good
one I will give you
half of the cost and if you
think you can not stand
~~the other half~~ I will give you
none I could do any thing
for you love you are
so dear and true to me
you price the good
over there and find
out what you can
do,

I will now try
and finish my ^{second} ~~second~~
letter and was just down
stairs and uncle James
gave me that money
so I feel pretty big
tonight. I suppose
you will be at school
tomorrow I hope that
you have a good
time, you will be
having a good time
and I will be woken
but I will be thinking
of my only little

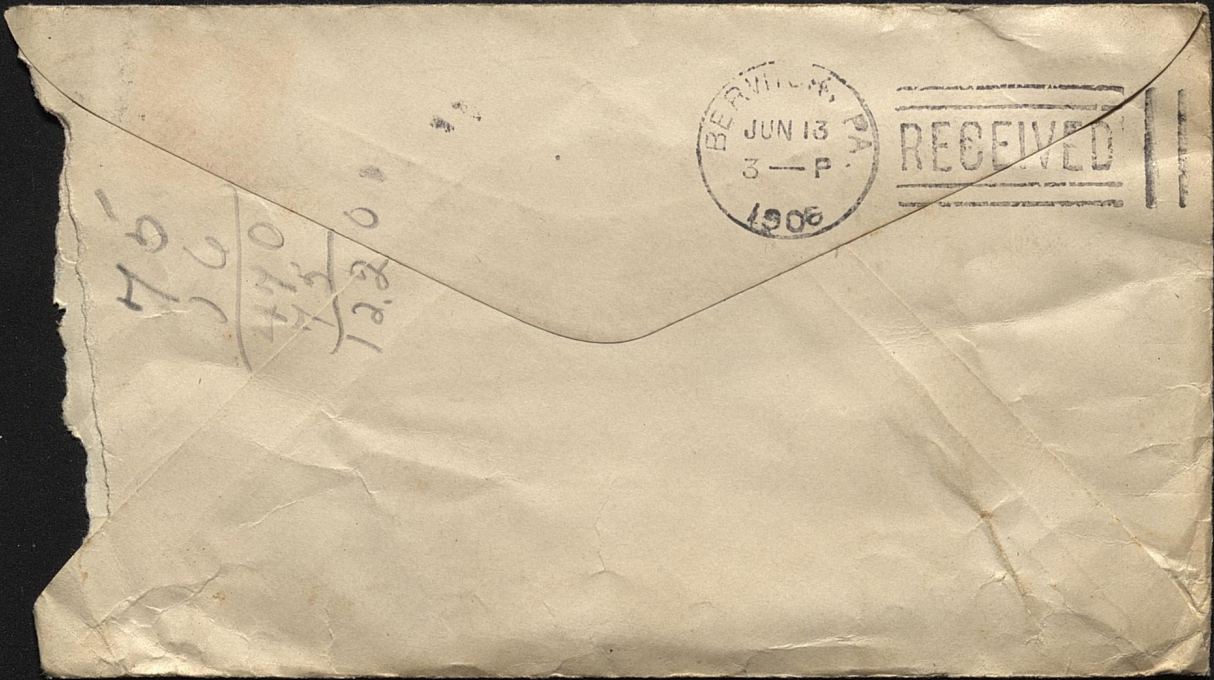
love and I know
wifred will be
of help, we had a
very hard frost here
this morning and it
is colder now for a
tonight. my thoughts
have been about you
many times to ^{day} wonder
how you was I thought
when I went to work ~~the~~
~~that~~ the morning that
wifred has got her
washing done now
I will close with all my
love and kisses for the
sweetest Darling on earth
your truest love Bill,

After 5 days, return to

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Miss Winifred Cole
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Box 1501



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Berwick Pa.

June 5, 1906.

Dearest Will.

Well I suppose you
have formed your
opinion of me as well
as I of you. Was you
disappointed again
today I guess you
was for I did not
woud but I dont think
you care very much
not half like you
write, for when I
called you on the
Phone last Tues.
as soon as I got

you at the phone you
had the impudence
to tell me we would
have to quit talk-
ing which we did
I dont care about
bothering people
when you do not
want to talk it is
all fun on your side
not mine. and then
when I ask you to
write you said

Well you dont want
much on a busy
day. and so I
decided your time

was completely taken
up and I would not
disturb you with
my miserable letters
on your busy days
if you haven't time
and are too busy
to read please bro.
Still do you think
I could or refused
to write you when
you ask me to and
you deliberately did
refuse me, and you
did it on purpose.

But dont worry about
me I will live just
the same. If you
do cut me, you will
think of me perhaps
some day.

I am glad you had
a nice time Decoration
I can say I did.

In your letter you
said I should be more
prompt and true to
you still. I have
as true as steel to
you and I can
prove it. Can you
say the same I

am afraid not and
not tell a fib.

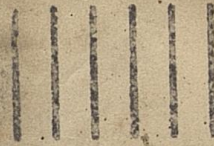
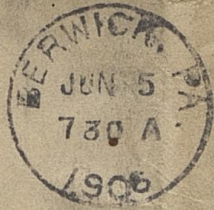
I am very glad Boston
beat Grassmere wish
I could of seen the
game.

Well I will close
and hope you will
pardon me if I
take too much of
your time on
your busy days and
think it was for one
far away ~~your~~ kindred

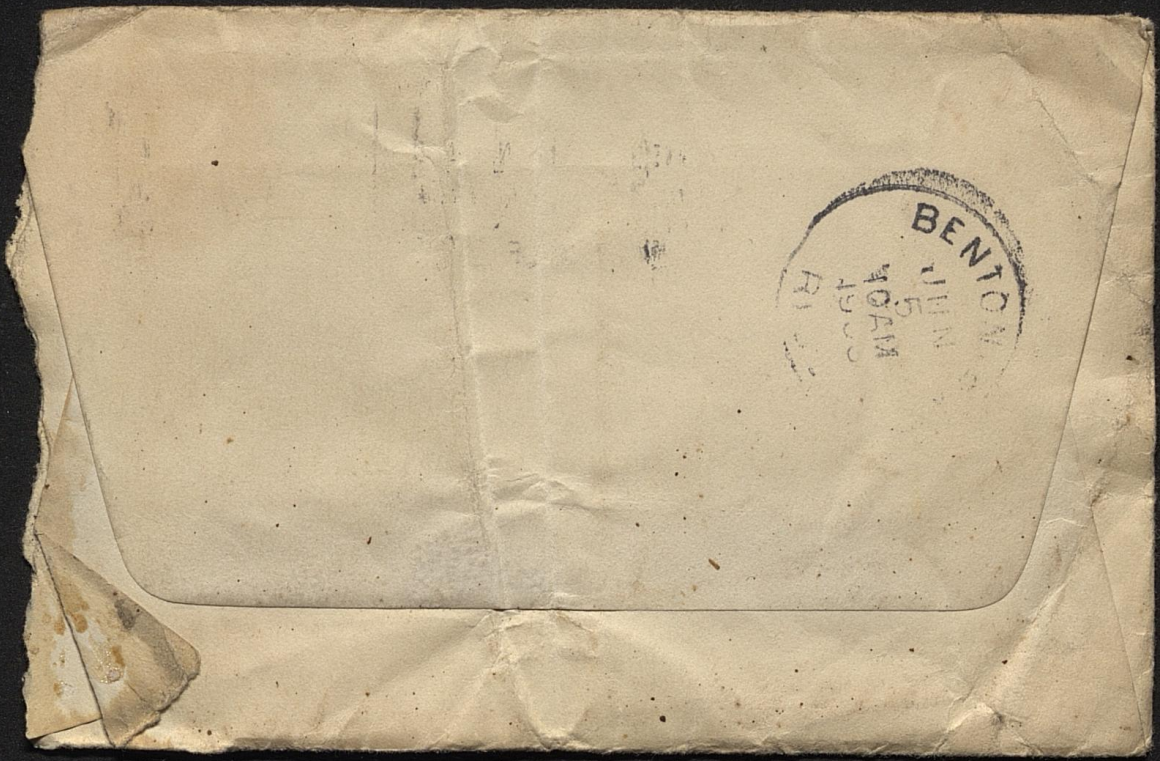
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I could write lots
more and if you
want see to this
this of not —

At home by little
girl



Mr. William R. Gilles
Benton.
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Benton

June 3. 1906

My nearest little sweetheart
well I will try and
spend the evening in
writing to my little Harly
if she is not very prompt
in writing to her love me
here at home so lonely
now look her you must
be more prompt and
true to your little sweet
see the points. Oh love
if you only knew how
lonely I am here with
out you you would

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Come home right
away, I do not mind
it so much until
I see some of the rest
of the boy with there
sweetheart. Oh Dear if
you only knew how
much I love you if I
could only tell you.

Jim Smith and I was
sitting on the porch to
night and I was telling
him how dear and sweet
you was to me, no one
seem to look nice to
me but you

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I think you might
be a little more wrapped
in writing to me I thought
sure I would get a letter
last night but none
came maybe I was
not a sick kid I felt
so bad I could of cryed
tear did come in my
eyes for I knew I could
not get a letter before
now day and that is
a long while to wait
when you want to
hear from some one
that you love as
much as I do you

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The reason I call
you last night I
want to tell you how
the ball game went
we won it on the
grass here yesterday.
The score was four seven
in favor of Barton who
to you know about that?
They went home as
sick crowd I am sure
to sure of that game
there was a large
crowd down from
Grassmore and they
want to fight they
had a big crowd,

time but ^{to} they found
out that there was a
few down here that
could fight just as
well as they could.
I will tell you more
about it when I tell
you. I was up to your
place this afternoon
and all the folks are
all well. We will pick
up all here for dinner
ton day. Well I will
close with my love
and kisses for you
from your dearest and
truest friend on earth
Bill