

Kingston Mo.
Oct 14. 1898.

Dear Beth:-

I received your letter two weeks ago and I expect you are just about to think that I have almost forgotten you.

But we have been very busy the last two weeks cleaning house when I went home in the evening after school I would have to help Mamma and when I had any time at the P. Q. I was so tired by that time that I didn't feel like writing.

Well Beth, we have got our house papered at last, (not the whole house) but the sitting room, Mamma's bed room, and the boy's bed-room. The color of the paper on Mamma's is brown the color of

autumn leaves, it is real pretty, the paper on the sitting room is blue, the paper on the boys room is just like what is on the parlor.

Mamma's carpet amounted to 36 yards, enough to cover the three bed rooms. They look real nice now.

Beth; we sold our cow, to Harry Fort and bought a new one of Geo. Wagoner. He brought her in yesterday morning and Papa feed her good so as to have a good lot of milk and she was in the yard all morning and after dinner she got out some way. So after school the boys got on the horse and went out to Geo Wagoners after her but they did not find her. So they returned again this morning and found

her. So we got to milk her for the first time this evening. She is part Jersey, she is small by the side of "old Boss."

There is a rally at Polo to-night and a whole wagonload of girls went down.

Nettie Stiles has got back, came back last night. She seems to be just the same old girl.

Bert Brown has got back too. He seems to be a nicer boy than he was before.

Mart Dogget has gone to the reform school. He stole an 8¢ can of oysters from Mr. Kiple and some ^{one} telegraphed to Judge Broadus and ^{he} said to make out the papers and send him to the reform school. So they did and he has to go for five years.

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Dear Beth:-

Am at the P.O. this morning and thought I would write you a few more lines while I am waiting for "Toof" to come.

Mr. Simpson was just in and said he was over to Polo last night, he said all the candidates were there so you may know they had a "hot time".

Beth would have sent you a birthday present so you could have gotten it on your birthday but as Mamma was going to Omaha again Monday, she could get you something nice up there and if you don't get it on the 13th I hope you will appreciate it just the same.

Fannie Smith is sick. Hemorage
was the cause.

Mamma and Papee are going
to Omaha Monday again and
Mamma is going to get me a
new jacket while she is there.

Beth I thought about you all
day yesterday and wondered
what kind of a time you were
having. Allow me to congratulate you on ^{your 14th birthday}
How is Uncle getting along?
does he keep well?

Well I must close for this time
Give my love to your Mamma
and Clemmy and lots for
yourself.

Lovingly,

Lena.

P. S. Bertha is here now, have
you purchased your winter
hat yet? Lena.

Are you going to get you a new coat this winter? Bertha and I were into Hale's the other night and we were looking at the cloaks some of them are just lovely others are not so pretty. You may know the prices are good too. Only about \$15. for the one Bertha wanted.

Mrs Cox gave a party in honor of the Glee Club one eve last week and the young men invited the young ladies and Joe Henkins ~~has~~ invited Mary Brown. She is dead gone on him. Well "Toot" has come so I must close.

Lena.



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"Hello" - Belle (Lena)

