

Goldboro N. C.

Sept. 23 '07

Dear Betsy:-

I fully thought I
would have seen you ere
this; but it seems that I'm
doomed not to go any more.

As Buddie told Jim, we
intended going Friday before
third Sunday. But I was
real sick with Tonsillitis -
most - diphtheria, and Annie
was sick at the same time
at her Granmie's in La Grange

I do want to see you
all so much. Don't expect
Ed can get off now
though, as he is very busy
at this season of the year.
I am still hoping, if we
can't do more than spend
Sunday. Are you all well,
and enjoying the Autumn?

I took a long ride in
the country this morning
with Ed, & the woods are
beginning to look like
Fall sure enough.

Little Annie often speaks
of you all and wants to

go and see you. She is
so much company for me.
Don't know what I would
do without her.

Have you been to
James town yet? Nearly
every body here has been
it seems to me.

Julia has been out at
Aggies since Sat. came
home this morning. Miss
Cole went home Sat. and
has not returned yet. We
looked for her this morning.
She is a young lady who
boards here with Julia.

Well I know if I could
see you - I would talk
myself to death. And am
not going to give up going.
Of course I could go without
Ed. but I am so silly I
never go unless he face.

Am I not crazy? I hear
you say yes. I had never spent
a night away from home with
him, until last Fall when
Emma was sick and not one
since. In fact I have not spent
a single night from home
since then, November last.

Well I can't smile much as
I must dress myself and Annie
to go up street. Lots of love to all
Write soon to one who loves you
still. Pearl Howard Gayley.