

Greenville N.C. Aug <sup>the</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> - 1928

Mrs. W. E. Smith & family:

It is with much pleasure  
I embrace this opportunity  
of answering your kind affectionate  
letter, I was indeed glad to hear  
from you all.

Your kind expressions was  
so soothing to my poor ach-  
ing head in my weakened  
condition, I appreciated every  
word you wrote me. It made  
my heart rejoice to know you  
had not forgotten me for I have  
been near death door it seem<sup>ed</sup>.  
But the Lord has spared my  
unprofitable life as it seems  
to me for some purpose unknown  
to me, I hope a great wise



wise purpose I hope,  
Then He knows my weakness  
& imperfections & what I  
have need of,  
I know the earth is His & the  
fulness thereof, I try to put  
my whole trust in Him  
for life & salvation, for with  
out Him we can do nothing  
No not even breathe the breath  
of life without His assistance  
He knows our needs both mater  
rally & spiritually, & has prom  
ised to supply them, but  
not our wants, for that we  
had do us more harm than good  
Dear Lord and I am improving  
slowly but I keep weak appetite  
is good usually sleep & rest  
well for which I hope I feel  
thankful to the Lord He has  
been so merciful & kind to me



I have blessed more more than  
 I feel worthy of, from my  
 earliest existence to the present  
 my dear loving daughter &  
 sister in Faith I hope.  
 I was very feeble when I  
 came to Greenville,  
 I almost collapsed under  
 the mental physical strain  
 & I sick to I could hardly  
 eat or sit up I was so nervous  
 But Sarah & Eddie both gave  
 me such a warm welcome  
 It cheered my drooping spirit  
 for I was <sup>so</sup> bewildered, they told  
 to stay as long as I wanted to till  
 I got better, so I stayed 4 weeks  
 lacking one day, Sarah brought  
 me to Aunt Albritton's yester  
 day eve all seemed glad to  
 see me & have me stay & dine  
 with them, I fare well <sup>myself</sup>



They know me & do all for my  
comfort & relief they possibly <sup>can</sup>  
They have plenty vegetables  
but have to buy right many  
fruit melons Cantaloupes &  
Tornatoes by the peck.

Sarahs Brother Robert brought  
half bushel Friday & two Watermelons  
Herman Tucker brought Eddie  
a half bushel in a short time  
so we had a time long to re-  
memberd peeling & cooking  
Its so nice to be rememberd  
Peaches & apples brought in  
by the bushel & melons too  
so I try to console myself with  
this thought The Lord will provide  
Dear loved ones I am planning  
to go see you Friday evening  
with Christine if its agreeable  
with her & you all make the ar-  
gements for me,  
I aim to go see Nannie before I



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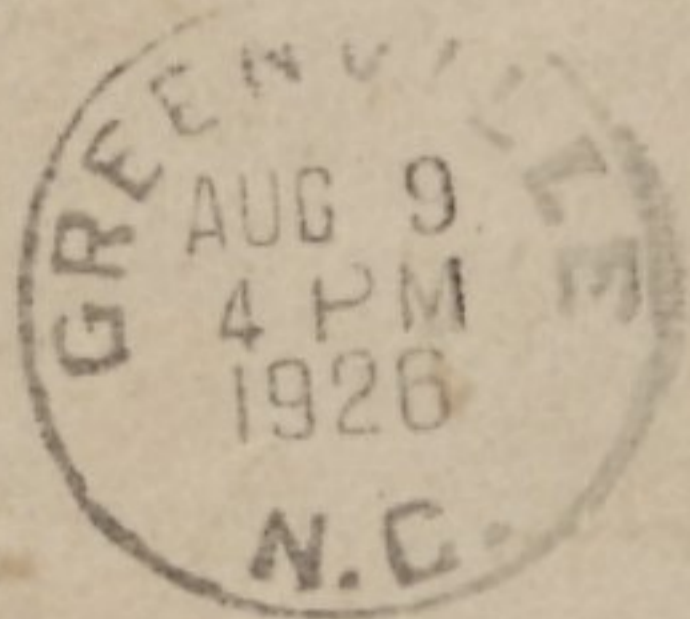
Oh yes Sarah took me  
to Wintersville to see her sister  
Mrs. Sutton once  
Bessie Louise took me &  
Huldah & mother 4 miles  
below Greenville on the  
Washington Road & really  
enjoyed my ride.  
The crops are fine & in  
my old range too where  
I spent many pleasant  
hours with my dear old  
aunties & uncles. I told me  
I am glad <sup>all</sup> you have such a  
lovely time at Aubrys Creek  
I don't want to go to Tysone,  
both days if possible Mother



off to see you all & visit  
Bessie & Wyatt and Annie  
Carl & other friends but I  
hope no one will not  
ignore me because I  
have made a change,  
but its not my intention  
continue visiting the lake  
rice of my days as I've long  
as sister Fannie said I was  
I am & my best days are behind  
me, my will is good but I am  
on Friday afternoon I aim to be  
ready & be at E. F. Trickers,  
5-25- Green St 2nd house  
after you pass Byrnes Stree,  
with a heart full of love & mouth  
full of kisses I remain your  
and mother's



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