

Westerville O. July 20. '97.
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My Darling Joe! - This pleasant
evening I must spend a
while with you. I will try
and not get close enough
to interfere with your comfort
as I ate onions for supper
(my old sin!) I will not beg
your pardon this time as
the pardon would come too
late. I do wonder how you
are getting along, I have not
heard from you since last
Fri. but no doubt there are
some letters on the way.
Mother talks some of going
with Father to Logan and
then on down to the old
home. Elsie and I will
keep house.

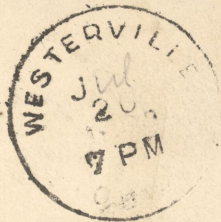
Some way I have thought more
about Athens Co the last
week than I had for a long time.
Indeed I would not mind
being there myself. Of course
you wonder how I am spending
the time. Yesterday morning Ma
and I fixed up country fashion
and went over across the
creek and picked thirteen gals
of brins. We thought it would
be fun but the fun wore off
about ten o'clock. Today we
washed and did housework
in general. I spend the after-
noons piecing quilts, reading,
studying etc. Since I came
home I have instituted the
"morning watch", a daily bath
and some other things. I
am feeling just fine; my
eyes are better than they

have been for a year, I
think, but I do not use
them at night and try
to be very careful with
them in every way. I am
enjoying vacation so well
and am trying to use it
profitably. I do hope your
finger is almost well, but
I do not know how long
it usually takes a felon
to heal. It is reported that
Mrs. England has run off
with a stranger. How can
people live together for
so many yrs. if they are
so untrue? I am so glad
that we can feel perfectly
secure in every respect. I
surely believe that God has
had a hand in bringing you
to this decision, and further

that he has a work for
us to accomplish, I
will close as it is
almost seven o'clock and
I want to go to the office.
May the dear Master be
with you daily and soon
restore you to health.

Your own true
Sweetheart
Bertha Lambert,

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