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Dear Mother

Sisters and Brothers, I received your letter of the 22nd ^{and the money} yesterday the bags pictures silk hankerchief needle cushion and pen. I have also received my box and all the things except my Thanksgiving Chicken and the striped Apples Orient Bushman did not open my box but that old garva ^{Went} worth did and ate up the Chicken and striped apples I'll scrape his old chops I can see Bills and Mike's pictures but can't see Bertie's I can't see the least feature in his face that looks natural, that is the same Mike and same poor little Bill why don't you fat up and grow little Bill what ails you