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Berry Butts
Dear Cousin

It has been so long since I received your last letter that I will not call this an answer, but let it go as a sort of reopening of correspondence. Much has happened since I wrote you last and the whirligig of time has presented many problems for our consideration but fate has been good to me and I am enjoying splendid health and a fair share of prosperity. I hope the same blessings have come to you. I often think of you and remember with keenest pleasure my visits down there. Nothing but business cares could have kept me away this long but it seemed impossible to arrange matters for a trip without too great a sacrifice. We are to have our family reunion here this year, some time in the summer, when Cyrus, Andrew and Henry with some of their children will come for a week. Mary, Sue and myself reside here and Frances and her folk are not far away. Some of them are sure to be with us. I ask you to come up and have a time with the Joneses. You can arrange to visit your relatives in Milam and Falls counties on the trip. It would not cost you more than \$10 and I know you would consider it well spent before we get half through the week. I will let you know as soon as we set the date.

I suppose there have been many changes in that part of the state since I was there two years ago. Write and tell me about some of them. Has Jake got married yet? How is Cyrus and wife getting along? And, of course you will tell me about Mrs. Butts Sr and Ruth and all the rest.