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Hillsville, Friday, Sept. 20, 1912.
R 3-Box 45.

Mrs Lula Webb,

Dear Sister in hope:-

I do wish I had some matter of interest to communicate to you for it would be such a pleasure for me to write. We received your kind greeting of the 18th inst on yesterday, and read it with much interest, and at intervals would get it and read it again. It is the first time I ever saw the benefit of forgetfulness, for when I re-read it, there is some part I had forgotten, and it becomes news to me again, which enables ^{me} that far to live life over again. I have large "kinship and acquaintance, and was put to wondering this morning, why is it that not one in a hundred, ever drops me a line? Are they all so illiterate; so stingy in supply themselves with stationary, stamps &c; or do not like me well enough to hinder time with me? But it may be that they are either too industrious to give it the time or really too indolent to do anything more than sheer necessity pinches them to. ~~do~~

I said at breakfast to your mother-in-law a bit ago, when she said I ought to drop Smith & Lula a few lines; that I had nothing worth notice to tell them, when Clara said she thought I

Maleska's fine coat just suits her so nicely and style together.
make it every desirable. J. W.

I wrote this & called Charain & read it to her & she said it was
 truth and could not be better. She saw all the points in it. I

had a full supply on hand. My wife and
 Clara had sent to Mt. Airy, N.C. by George Worrell
 to get them a fine overcoat a piece, and a while
 before night as they were peeling and slicing ap-
 ples to dry, My wife said, now what if Claudie
 should come and bring us an overcoat a piece?
 Clara said it would please her nearly to death,
 and it was not long 'til she come stepping in
 with them. Malesia's was a \$7. coat & Clara's
 was a \$5. coat, though they got them at a little
 reduced figure. And strange to think that of
 seven or eight excited women, half a dozen chil-
 dren and several men and boys, though they
 lost no time in talking and trying on, it would
 keep a few slow minds mighty busy to com-
 prehend it all. That Allen case seemed to out-
 strip any thing we had ever heard, but hush!
 hush!! It dropped into insignificance before
 the delight excited over the two over coats,
 Clara's is a fine shaper, and is beautiful, and
 she thought it would be news worth telling
 and really I must acknowledge that it was
 and according to the interest she felt in it, it su-
 perseded any, or I might say, every thing else.
 Malesia and Clara have a move on this morn-
 ing. Well! Old Abel Samson is well pleased for them.
 Well! I hope by care that Gonith may recover.
 I think your ideas are right. Goodby { Isaac Webb
 M. J. Webb.