

Laura, Sept 18, 1901

God Greet You!

Dear Sister!

Since I promised to write to you right away I will now make good my promise. I amused myself very well in Adelaide; Richard took me everywhere. Richard will no doubt have told you that Gotthold was down there too. What made me particularly happy was that G. and R. are again talking to each other. Hopefully it will all turn out well now; if each one gives in a little that should happen.

I also spoke to Mama. She was very happy to see me so healthy and plump. She had driven down to Laura to pick Richard up from the train.

I have been staying with Gotthold, except that on the afternoon of the 20th I'm going to Alfred's to prepare for the festivities. Then I'll probably be back there again on the 25th. I'm to alter Emma's bridal gown and make her another new dress. Last week I made a smock for Ted, one like Gerhard's satin one. They were all very friendly -Emma's mother was there as well.

W.W. was there the first Sunday. He was quite astonished when he saw me, and very friendly. When he arrived, I was just ready to leave for Tilly's. As I said adieu he said, 'That was a real short visit!' Then I went down (drove back) again towards sunset, while he had driven to Laura with Alvine. At 7.30 he came back and stayed until 10.30. I did not talk to him very much; next time I will be able to write you more.

There has also been a very nice rain of 3/4 inch(19mm). On Saturday there was a dreadful storm, but Sunday's weather was beautiful; I really liked it. There were 12 pastors up here and a lot of other strangers. Alfred also billeted one from Tanunda, teacher Geyer's son.

How did you like the cups? Were they okay? They didn't have no plates; they were all too large.

And Annie Joppich is now engaged, probably to Jacob Zwar's wife's brother, Willie Willis. I've seen her ring. Carl Zwar is now staying with Peter Zwar.

Mother hasn't said anything about you. I don't know no other news, so I will close with many greetings to you all.

I remain your loving sister

Edel Becker, Laura

PS Please don't think ill of me for not writing sooner. It is already September 22nd. Alfred & Tilly send you their hearty greetings.

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English Translation

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