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Letter: one sheet front and back  
Paper: Lined paper 10" wide by 7-5/8" high

No Envelope  
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C'Ville Aug 23th / '89

Miss Lizzie A Golden,  
Dennison  
Ottawa Co.  
Michigan.

Dear lizzie:-

Well Lizzie, although you have never answered my letter I thought I would write you just the same.

Well I am pretty near sick and tired of boils and xxxx. I have had a xxx on each of my thumbs, two boils ( or rather **carbuncles** ) on my arm and two more boils a coming under my arm. I wish I had come to your house the 1<sup>st</sup> of the week now, but have been waiting for Kate all of the week. Boils or no boils I shall come next week just the same. Of course I can not have such a good time as I could if the boils were not on my arm but will come. I heard there was church next Sunday. I would like very much to be there and will if I possibly can.

I went to a picnic yesterday and you can bet I have got enough picnic for one while. I see Minnie McCarthy there. We had a very nice time, but came home very tired I can tell you.

What time did you get home the last eve you were in town, I'll bet pretty late for it was 10 o'clock when you left here.

How is the Church Choir prospering. I suppose finely. What part do you take? Is **Mary Ann** in it? I would like to hear them sing very much. I suppose they have got so they can "get there" now.

Well Lizzie as it is quite late and I have written enough nonsense I will now close

Hoping to hear from you and I Remain,  
Ever Your Friend  
Cassie Griffin

P.S} Coopersville folks are all well as usual.  
I heard from our folks on Monday last and they are well.  
I can tell you I want to see them so bad I cannot possibly wait until they return. But will have to.

Give my love to **Mary and Mrs G.**  
I will be done there the next chance I get.

C. D. K.                      Cassy

(Excuse mistakes)

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**“carbuncles”**: carbuncles are a condition connected to an infected hair follicle. Typically, hair follicles are associated with hair growth from the scalp and other parts of the body. When multiple follicles become infected, however, they create a patch of swollen, painful, pus-filled bumps on the skin. A single infected hair follicle is known as a boil. Several connected boils become a carbuncle. When the infection is at its worst, a whitish tip forms in the center of each boil. This becomes the place where the pus eventually will drain to heal.

**“Mary Ann”** and **“Mary and Mrs G.”**: Lizzie’s had a sister Mary. Mrs G could be Mrs. Golden (Lizzie’s mother)

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