My Dear Blanche,

I have just called Mrs. Naile in and asked her about your dress and waterproof and showed her the pattern she says if she was going to cut it she would not have the head at all, let the plait go up to the neck in the back and the front make two licks each side of the front two licks wide she thought it would be as much as you could wear it and let your arm hole come through where the licks at first the licks come to the knee and let fly (press them). Perhaps this won't be any good to you but the thought I would write it and...
you can do as you like if you like a hard, I'm sure you will be sad, she should make the skirt with pleats on the side and straight draping in front with the lining. If you order it just on one side, and have a slight draping in the back, that they are not going to wear those strait-plain pleated backs this winter, and your order lining go up on the back draping on side I think the back well I wish you letter and was very glad to hear from you Leni & Mellie seem to be going on all right this time. Mellie studies Philosophy, Civil Government, Algebra, and with review Bookkeeping & Arithmetic. Leni studies are Book-keeping. English, History, English Composition. & Arithmetic. She is in the class that went down from here only they take one more study one of the languages. In my new country, this school new this fall, James has the same teacher. Ennie Matthews and Edith has a new teacher haven't heard her name as yet, need the piece Saturday and put them up yesterday had 12 fairs
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quite a good many one night, and we all came. Of course, we are very glad to have them, and Grandma I sent Levi a reaper to have a new collar put on and the edge of the dress fixed so they were not too long last week so she can make them that much shorter cut it off or turn them up any way as long as they look good. I will send the receipt for the collar and tell her back home what she would turn to ask for, I may turn Willie's but don't know. They have the Caucus here Wednesday night and who do you think is going to win for
Representative Bennie B. I screamed when Mule had told me but Mule did say he will make a better one than he has. Long Shank has secured the same and he wouldn't be surprised if he saw it. Carle Jones generally do win. Stanley has spotted Bruner to attend the Bryant & Stratton school. Isabelle and her Grandma are going to St. Mary on a visit to her Uncle this fall. Joe Hill Brunell was in town yesterday saw him pass with Daddy Lot expect he was getting the news out of town. Dena Haymond has gone to Stantwich. I believe on a visit.

I got the boys school tickets for half price so that is better than nothing; we got $6.25 back on Willie's school tickets last year from the Home. I don't know yet whether she has passed or not. He has had his examination but they haven't told him. But I expect we shall have to pay his tuition again but I am glad I sent him there.
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the first clone in Haynaldia run
and unless we have another year
let Juri Elyth read her letter
and was very much pleased with
it. I thought it was a very
crafty letter offering a good
many inducements to him, James
I got pretty mad and wanted
to know why he couldn't go to
Aunt Sue and live with them
and go to school this winter but
after I explained and talked
with him he got over it and said
he must hurry up and graduate
first and then he would return
to grandpa and stay as long
as he wanted to. He said that little clubs always had to go everywhere, but he suspected that he would have to go to school. I laughed to hear him, but didn’t keep still and began writing only towards the last. If he couldn’t with orders with James and needed to comfort him all he could and says that he James you will graduate first and when you can go all you want to.

I hope to hear from you again some which how you had your things cut. Be you love to all.

Saint Eligas
Monday AM

My Dear Blanche

I have just called Mrs Waite in and asked her about your dress and waterproof and showed her the pattern she said if she was going to cut it she would not have the hood at all. let the plaits go up to the neck in the back and the front make two or three tucks each side of the front hem two inches wide [interlined: “she thought two would be as wide as you could wear it”] and let your arm hole come through under the tucks stitch the tucks down to the knee and let fly (press them). perhaps this wont be any good to you but thought I would write it and [over page] you can do as you like. perhaps you like a hood, if I did I should have it. your dress she said she should make the skirt with plaits on the side, and shawl drapery in fornt with the trimmings of your border to go up on one side and have a slight drapery in the back, that they are not going to wear those straight plain plaited backs this winter. and your border trimmig go up on the back drapery on side I think she said

well I rec’d your letter and was very glad to hear from you Levi & Willie[1] seem to be going on all right this term. Willie studies philosophy, Civil Government, Algebra and will review Bookkeeping & Arithmetic  Levi’s studies are Book-keeping, English History, English Composition, & Arithmetic he is in the class that went down from here only they take one more study one of the languages. My Haynes[?] commenced his school here this AM James S has the same teacher Miss Mathison and Elijah has a new teacher haven’t heard her name as yet rec’d the pears Saturday and put them up yesterday had 12 jars [next page] quite a good many were soft and we ate some of course, was very glad to have them. tell Grandma I sent Levi A reefer[?] to have a new collar put on and the edge of the sleeves fixed they were an inch too long last winter so she can make them that much shorter cut it of for turn them up any way so long as they look good. I will send the velvet for the collar. and tell her to ask Louisa how much she would turn a coat for. I may turn Willie’s but dont know. they have the Caucus here Wednesday night and who do you think is going to run for [over page] Representative Bennie R I screamed when Uncle Levi told me but Uncle Levi says he will make a better one than Norton. He says Shub has scoured the town and he wouldn’t be surprised if he got it. such pukes[2] generally do win. Stanley has gone to Boston to attend the Bryant & Stratton school. Isabelle and her Grandma are going to N York on a visit to her Uncles this Fall. I see Will Crowell was in town yesterday saw him pass with Daddy Fat expect he was getting the news out of him. Mrs Hayward has gone to Nantucket I believe on a visit. I got the boys school

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1 They are Aunt Eliza’s sons.
2 There is no doubt this is the word – so that modern slang isn’t all that “modern”.
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I hope to hear from you again soon write how you had your things cut &c &c

love to all
Aunt Eliza