

Time to handle, and should not
be undertaken. Once knew
a bright young man who
went to Germany and Paris and
studied Pol. Economy, with
the idea of becoming a "great
man" in the science. He
^{back} came, and gave it up as a
bad job; said it was too much
for him! Therefore Gra was
inclined to be ^{rather} suspicious of the
science, and did it ought
not to be gone into much.

I enjoyed his letter very
much. It is indeed most
creditable and wonderful for
a man of his years. Many
sound ideas in it too. His
assumption that college people
hardly knew what it was

Chicago, Jan 15, 1893.

Dear Papa:-

Three letters and a check
for \$100 have been received
from you this week. The
latter is ample for my need
for the present ~~and~~ immediate
future. Herewith please find
financial statement as desired.

I am very sorry my letter
about illness conveyed a wrong
impression to you. I should
have said that I could not
work during the afternoon.
I was at the U- in the a.m.
and could have returned in
the afternoon; but there was
no pressing need of it, so I

thought I would stay at home
and rest, especially as I did
not feel at all like working.
But it was nothing serious
at all, and I am in perfect
health most of the time. Few
girls are so blessed as I in
that particular.

Also, in ^{re}gard to the 27 pages
in Pol. Economy, it was
not in Mill (that should be
John Stuart, of course), but in
Marshall, a new book we
are studying now, and the
material was much like
what we had had before, so
it was not like new work.
Moreover, we were re-
quired to study it very

carefully, but more to read
it over and get a general
idea of the introductory
chapters with a view to what
was coming later. I had not
read it when I wrote you, so
did not know what it was.
The professors do not mean
to be unreasonable, and
usually are not. We do not
study Mill anymore. Have
finished what we are to
take of him, except that we
are to review his wage-fund
theory in connection with
some others.

Grandfather advised me
to drop Political Economy, that
it was too big a subject for

account. These trips ^{to the city} are numerous in point of time. But I shall get there with it all some how. shall take things as they come, and try to finish one thing at a time as far as possible.

Thursday.

I have ~~shown~~ told Prof. Jackson of your contributions to my paper, and he was much pleased. Said they would make a valuable addition to the paper, and that the constitutional point involved (as to state keep) was very interesting. I was at the Law Library in the Court house down town the other day, and ascertained that all the books you referred to are there. I am going down Sat. morning to begin work on them. Will send you my notes as soon as I get them into shape. Gov. Pillsbury has sent me

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to have a comfortable "quack home", and the implied thought that they did not care for it were amusing. But then he does not know any better than that. He is a delightful old man, and one to be proud of in many respects. Enjoy talking with him once in a while very much. It is only a continuation of it that I can stand.

Half a mile ^{of walking} four times a day in this weather is about all I want. I went skating a week or so ago, and should have gone again this week if it had been so awfully cold.

I have chosen my subject for my thesis - "The Police System of the City of Chicago". My first work on it will be to make an ~~also~~ analysis of the actual system as set down in the municipal code of the city. For that purpose I shall have to make visits to the city hall where the records are kept - the Law Library, in fact.

I am much obliged for your valuable citations in regard to passholders. I can look them up while at the Law Library. I presume I can make a division of my paper on the constitutional question of state help - should think it

would be directly in line with political science - but can't tell for sure until I consult Prof. Judson. If I introduce the constitutional feature into my paper, your data will be of great value. I am very grateful to you for your trouble.

I am at work at present on a thesis due the middle of next month on "The Pay of Members", meaning Members Parl. and Congressmen. We had the subject last fall in connection with our ^{study of} English sources of the Constitution, and I have some notes on it, but must get as much more material as I can. Will have to make trips to the City and Newberry Libraries on that

quite a good deal of material about
the grasshopper scourge when he
was governor - I haven't examined
it carefully yet, but presume I
shall find something I can use.

Prof. Bolley has also given me
some new references. I think
I shall suspend work on other
papers for the month just until I
get this done. I rather dread it,
since it involves arranging the
papers all over, and writing some
afresh; but work will conquer it.

I read Prof. Judson your sug-
gestions for writing my Police
System paper - about Mr. Shavis
new book, and consulting editors,
etc. He ~~had~~ said your ideas on
thesis-writing were most ex-
cellent, and made notes of me

or two of them. He did not know
that Mr. Shaw's book was out.
98 going to write and inquires
said it would be most useful.

I have been skating in Washing-
ton Park this P.M. The weather
has moderated so that it is quite
comfortable now.

Lizzie received a telegram today
saying that her little nephew
was dead. Scarlet fever. They had
written her that he was improving
and this comes as a shock. She feels
terribly. May go home, but I
doubt it. It doesn't seem
advisable. Prof. Judson is a tower
of strength at such a time.
Mamma's letter rec'd today.

With love

Madeline

Financials

Money income for whole year —

Papa	5.00
Fellowship —	<u>2.50</u>
	\$ 7.00

I do not put down \$320 for Fellowship, because the \$120 additional is exactly balanced by the \$120 of tuition and incidental fees. So I leave those out of account, and mention only the money income and outgo.

Of this amount I have received:

Papa	\$ 365.00
(\$15.00 of this for Christmas)	

Fellowship —	<u>75.00</u>
	\$ 440.00

(over)

Of this I have spent about £ 285.00

Items.

Room rent	— — — — —	£ 90.00
Boards (4 mos)	— — — — —	47.00
Washing	— — — — —	8.00
matriculation	— — — — —	5.00
Dress	— — — — —	110.00
Books and papers	— — — — —	11.00
Incidentals of all kind	— — — — —	114.00
		£ 385.00
On hand	— — — — —	52.00

£ 440

The incidentals include Christmas gifts, travelling expenses from Minn - and back and forth from Elgin; stationery, amusements, ~~the~~ dentistry, etc.

It is impossible to forecast just what my expenses will be for the rest of the year, since I don't know what my room will cost the last quarter. I have spent more than $\frac{1}{3}$ my income in the 1st third of the yr. because most of my dress expenses came there.

they will be expecting her, and
it is so much better to "come
where you are called". (I remem-
ber your teaching on that
point). Of course I shall
go - am going to start about
11 o'clock this morning. But they
will be disappointed now that
they have their minds made
up to entertain her today.

Keyes has not returned wash-
yet, and may not do so. He has
a situation in view as City
Editor of some new paper to
be started in Elgin, I believe.
I don't know the particulars.
But I doubt if he goes back.
There is no reason why
he should, if he can do as
well in Elgin. I fancy his

two or three
letters and a
check for
Cape Charles
I will try
and
write him
during
the
week
and
much
obliged
to
the
passenger-
dial, which
I can't visit
I think. He
was very
good to
look it up
for me. I have
not heard from
with love, Madeline

I am so sorry I left you
with the impression that I was
ill, or likely to be. I feel perfectly
well - my indisposition was
merely temporary. One poor girl
has been ill for some weeks
here - something like the gripper
complicated with bronchitis. I
believe. But I haven't had
even a cold all winter. The
weather has been terrible this
past week. The thermometer
doesn't register very low - 14
below is the most I have
heard, and usually it seems
to be not more than 6 below.

But in this moisture-laden atmosphere that much cold is intense. I have worn my fur cap over my ears more than I did both winters in Minneapolis I think. It is the only thing that will keep me comfortable, and I am so glad I have it. It is the envy of all the girls. They don't know how to keep warm, poor things! and go to and from the University with their ears uncovered a good deal, and some of them have frost-bitten them, so that they swell up and stand out two or three inches from their heads. One of the girls borrowed my cap last night to go on a sleigh ride. Its frame has penetrated to every floor in the house, I guess.

Lizzie has been feeling a good deal stronger since her return. She had a nice vacation - spent it almost all at home with her mother. Last Friday she received a despatch saying that her little nephew, of whom she is very fond, is very ill with scarlet fever. She has had her valise partly packed ever since, thinking she might have to start at any moment. She had word yesterday saying that ^{he} "seemed better", but she feels very anxious still, and it seems to take her strength. She is expecting another telegram today, and therefore cannot go with me to Uncle Thomas', where we had been invited to dinner. I am so sorry, as

natural before people, but
Keyes talked some a good
deal about her when alone.
He is thoroughly happy and
satisfied, and I think it
will give him a new
impetus toward effort to feel
that a home and a dear
girl are waiting for him. She
has gone back to college now,
but probably they will be
married some time next
summer. His idea is not
settled. Keyes' ideal of a wed-
ding trip is to go to Wallinwood
for a few days, and I think
if we invited them, they
would, perhaps. I wish they
could; I like Jeanette ^{very}
much, and think you and
Dapa would, too. She is a

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effeminate but there was
not very successful financially
the I don't know. Wonderful
to relate. He paid his fare
home! I think he never will
do that, but it seems there
was some difficulty about
the pass - it didn't arrive
in time, and so he paid his
way. Will have to do so
again, of course, if he returns.

Yes, it is true that he is
engaged. He asked me particu-
larly not to tell any one at
present, and I am surprised
that Aunt L. should have
done so. I think she ought
to have let him do it when
he was ready. He intended

to write you himself soon,
and when you reply, you
must not let him know
that you had heard of it before.
The girl's name is

Grannette Underwood, and
she is very nice indeed, I
think. I met her in the
fall when I was there, also
several times this vacation.
She is at college in Ann Ar-
bor this year. But has been
a public school teacher in
Elgin for two or three years.
Her parents are dead, and
she has been supporting her-
self, and has saved money
to go to school. I think - altho
I believe she has a little
money from her father's property.

She is a decided brunette, and
very pretty, especially in even-
ing dress, or light colors.
She is rather tall, and has
a fine, well developed figure,
is about twenty-two, and
has a very decided mind of
her own. She has a good,
strong face, and altho she
seems quiet, has I believe a
great deal of reserve power.
She makes her own dresses,
and has quite a good deal
of artistic taste or inclination,
they tell me. Keyes is very
much in love with her,
and ^{what} from I can hear, I judge
she is the same, altho she
doesn't show it. They are
both very circumspect and

and stood awhile, and finally
both went off down town
to supper together. They seem
likely to be good friends. Keyes
anyway likes Jack immensely.
I don't think Flo and Jack are
likely to make a match. It
made me laugh to think of
it. He isn't mature enough
for her - neither has he the
kind of nature that would
suit her in that relation. Not
enough imagination, etc. But
he has improved much since
his early years, and is quite a
pleasant companion now. Took
me last night to see the
poet's play I think I never
saw - Willard in "The Profession
Love Story". Really fine. I enjoyed
it so much, and it gave me

very sensible & practical girl,
and I am sure will make
him a good wife. Can manage
and knows how to get along
on a little. Wants to begin
with him no matter how
little they have, and shows
quite the usual spirit of love,
confidence, trust in him, be-
lieve in the future, willingness
to undergo hardship, and all
the rest of it! They are all
alike, aren't they? No one ever
learns by ~~any other~~ the experi-
ence of anyone else that life
is really hard, that it isn't
easy to be poor, that marriage
brings a thousand complications
and trials, and that single bless-
edness

is bush - do they?

Last Tuesday Jeannette was going back to Ann Arbor. Keyes wrote me that he and she would visit the University that day, and wanted Jack and myself to lunch with them. They came, with Lizzie, Mr. Dinnell, and Prof. Judson, also a former classmate of Keyes who is studying here; then we went to the Rosalie, a nice little family restaurant nearby, and had a good lunch; then went to the Fair Grounds and viewed the buildings. Keyes and Jeannette had never seen them before, and were really awestruck and amazed at their magnificence. In the Horticultural

Building they have a flank of the Flank display already in - and it is like fairyland.

There is an Esquimaux village there ^{on its grounds}, but we didn't have time to visit it that day. Jeannette's train left Hyde Park at 3:30, and we had a rush to get it. Another train stopped between us and hers, and while Keyes was looking for a way to get around it, Jack dragged Jeannette over the steps of the intervening train, flew up the hill with her, and then with the aid of Keyes who had arrived by that time, lifted her onto the train after it had started. It was a close call. Then Jack and Keyes went back to the Beatrice with me.

paper, but they couldn't keep
a single account straight
to save them. (It seems he
has had some trouble about
remittances to them). Said
he had no doubt they had
been to the "higher schools",
and that was what ailed them!

Aunt Annie gave me a
beautiful Japenese tea pot - little
china one, Japanese designs
and gilding on it. Just as
dainty as can be. Said it was
a stark for a tea table - Some
of the girls have them in
their rooms - alcohol lamp,
brass kettle, cups etc. - Some time
I am going to see if I can't
have one. The alcohol lamps
don't cost much. Very kind

in good humor for the week.
... I have come back from
Uncle Thomas' now. Had a very
pleasant time, tho I nearly
froze going over. Grandma is
still in bed - you knew she
had been ill, didn't you? But
she is gaining, and sits up a
little each day. Some old trouble
of hers that has been neglected.
Aunt Sue was there. I don't
like her much. She seems hard
and rather coarse.

Grandpa looked so nice. When I
expected to take Fizzie there today,
I wrote Aunt Annie that I
hoped Grandpa would "dress up"
a little, as I wanted to show
him off. Sometimes he wears

an old flannel shirt and looks
cloridy, and I couldn't bear
to have her see him so. He
thought she was coming, and
was all dressed up, having
wiggled into his best coat
just before I came. He was
complaining about it, and saying
his old dressing sack was
so much more comfortable,
and he liked it so much better,
and I ought to, too, but
they had made him put on his
best one! I praised him and
told him I liked that one
better, and when I came
away, he spoke of it, and said I
must tell my friend when
she had missed by not
coming. I asked him if he

would promise to put the
same clothes on again when
I did bring her, and he said
he would, and I actually be-
lieve he liked it. He had to
grumble and pretend he didn't
happen. He didn't say any-
thing about Daisy's kinder-
garten. He looked so well - I
never saw him seem better -
His face was full and animated,
his appearance active and
cheerful. Actually looked younger
than Grandma. He took hold
of my hand to warm it
when I came in, and felt of
the muscles. Said it was a
"good, healthy hand".

Was talking of the Christian
Union. Said it was a fine

one which has my hearty sympathy. I should like to live in the House myself a while to see how they do things.

"Tea" was brought on the table as we sat around it - some cold meat placed ~~around~~ by one of the men who sat at it. Buttered bread was passed by a trim little maid, and tea was made at the table. We had sauce and cake besides. All was prepared in the kitchen and whisked onto the table in no time. We ate off beautiful blue plates - I have no doubt of fine ware. For the appointments of the house are nice, Pictures on the walls - none of them the familiar

of her to remember ^{me} and give me such a pretty present. Robert Collyer preaches in their church next Sunday, and I am invited to hear him and go and take dinner with them. Lizzie is to go if she can. She received a despatch tonight saying that her little nephew was better, and she feels much relieved.

Last Sunday afternoon I went to Hull House to a "Faculty meeting", as they are called for now - a meeting of the residents of the house, and those who come from outside to teach classes. They have a conference once in a while about the

work. and Miss Addams
invited me to come and
bring my friends with me.
So four of us went down
from the Beatrice. We all
gathered around the long
dining table (twelve or thirteen
teachers and several visitors)
and listened to the reports of
the teachers for the past quarter.
Flora or Frie seemed to be
the average attendance in the
classes, but the teachers
were encouraged by that.
The idea there is not so much
to teach these things from
books, as to impress them for
good by social contact. The
classes are more a means
of getting hold of the individuals

and touching their lines
convey for good, than of
teaching them algebra and
arithmetic and Latin, altho they
have classes in all these
and many more subjects. I
will enclose a circular of
their work in a paper I send
about the convocation.

Mr. Arnold (Mr. Arnold's friend)
was at the meeting. He has
taught there for two or more
years. Has algebra just now.
A delightful company of culti-
vated men and women - most
of them college graduates - are
down there trying by slow and
painful degrees to lift ~~the~~
unredeemed, gladden
those lives. a most Christian
task. and

a chance to work if they
want to. Perhaps a mission
school may be started in the
stockyard some time this year.

I think it very strange
and inexcusable of the Keyes
family not to acknowledge
your gift in some other way
than as Ed did - if that could
be called an acknowledgment.
It seems as tho Uncle ad would
at least. I am sure he must
have by this time. Of course
you ought to expect something
more than has come. It wd
be outrageous if they did not
thank you properly.

It is true I have never thanked
Dorville to Helen D. since I came
here. Shameful. I don't know
when I can do it. There seems

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collection of Miss Adams and
Miss Stern (founders of the
place) and gathered by them
in Europe. Miss Adams puts
\$100 a month out of her own
means into the running of the
house, and the rest is met
by the board of residents,
\$5.00 a week. They need more
residents, and we "philanthro-
pists" are going to try to
raise \$200 for that purpose this
year, are to begin collecting
this week. Did I tell you
that Jack a few of us sent
\$7.25 there for a Christmas
gift, to buy magazines for
some of her boy clubs? Hull
House is very popular.

I visited the "Home for
Incurables" this morning,
which is near here. Dr. Harper
wanted me to see if we could
do anything there. Saw the
Supt. but none of the patients
today. He said they would
be delighted with music, so
I guess a number of us will
go over there some time and
sing for them. college songs etc.
Perhaps also talk with the
people. ~~too~~ We are going (a
company of us) to Hull House
some night to sing for some
of the clubs which meet there.
Of course these things are
only done in our spare time
in fact we haven't done any.

thing yet but make plans.
I have found two or three
enthusiastic boys who want
to make a statistical study of
the stock yard (where they
kill and dress beef and pork)
and neighborhood, with a view
to having a settlement there
like Hull House sometime,
which shall be supported mostly
from the University. Lots of
preliminary investigation to
be done first, and that our
committee want to take up
this year. Of course I don't
expect to do all these things
O-mension. we want to start
a number of different lines
of work so that all may have

Sunday morning, Feb. 2/25.

Dearest Mama:-

I wrote just a word to go with the neck scarf I send you for your birthday. Elsie and I are just on our way to church, and I haven't time for more. My real letter may be a little late this week, but I wanted you to get it on your birthday.

Everything went off beautifully last night. Had lots of congratulations. Guess I was heard everywhere. tho the gymnasium was a horrible place to speak in.

Will write you about it later.

I hope you will like the tea.
It seems to be what - if they
are meaning, and I think it
was perhaps what you would
like to have over your seal skin.

I will send Papa a copy of my
paper in a day or two for his
birthday!

With much love

Madeline

a medicine Mrs. Merriam
gave me; but my voice
didn't sound natural to myself
at all, and I was afraid it
wouldn't to others. The first
^{was} ~~was~~ spoke quite low and
with little voice, and wasn't
heard well. Mr. Jackson, who
was sitting on the platform,
wrote me a note, exhorting
me to use more voice when
my turn came. I tried to
myself. I can do better than that
but I wasn't sure just how
much I could do, as the place
was so large and ill-arranged.
But I wasn't frightened that
best bit in the world when
I arose to speak. Just pre-
fectly natural, and able to
think what I was doing. I
think I was heard to the far-
thest end of the hall. For

Chicago. Feb. 13. 1893.

Dear Mama:-

"The event" is over, and I
think I have reason to congrat-
ulate myself that it passed off
so successfully. The gymnasium
was prettily decorated with bunting,
and the platform had a nice
arrangement and was filled with
chairs for the presidents of the
various clubs, the delegates of the
clubs (who form the council
of the Union) and the chosen
speakers. The procession was
formed about eight o'clock.
Dr. Hager and Mr. Peck, the pres-
ident of the Union, went first,
then Dr. Henderson, President
of the Christian Union, over

religious society, and myself.
came next - then the rest
of the delegates as officers
and speakers. We marched to
music, ascended the platform
and sealed ourselves at one time.
I ^{will} send a program, if I can get
one. I wore my black lace
dress, with the fancy waist.
(Miss Wallace took the sleeves
of the other waist and
fastened them in the one)
and wore my dress this fellow's
down, and ^{on} my head the
Oxford cap. I had a bunch of
yellow daffodils pinned on
in front for color. I sat on
the front row, and saw my
friends and mates down
below - among the common folk!

Uncle T. and Aunt A. declined
to come on account of the
distance, for which I was
very sorry, tho I couldn't blame
them. It is such a trip out here.
Jack and his mother came,
and sat almost under my nose.
They called for Florence,
~~Mr. Soars~~ and escorted her
as I was invited by Mr. Soars.
I had unfortunately taken cold
just two or three days before
the event - the first one I have
had this winter - and it had
affected my voice somewhat.
I was a good deal worried
about it, as the gym. is not
made for speaking, and I was
much afraid I could not be
heard. I had been "dosing" with
all sorts of things - lemon and
sugar, two kinds of lozenges,
whiskey and glycerine, and

Florence seemed to enjoy being here so much. Her father had not yet returned from Albany, and she had been at home all the week. Her mother is much depressed. I imagine. Key's still feels aggrieved because she is not reconciled to his marriage. I don't think she ought to do as she does.

Jack was invaluable in helping me about my grasshopper paper. He ransacked the libraries for something I wanted, finally unearthed it, copied it and brought it to me. He has nothing to do but go on evenings for me, and proves himself an efficient messenger when I need him. He is going away in about two weeks - perhaps well for Tong. - I must write another word now. Perhaps

can't
start
in the
week
from
to the
Friday
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with
Mrs.
Mr.
Some people who were sitting there told me they could hear distinctly. And I am quite sure the housewife was not noticeable at all, scarcely. A number of people told me they didn't know it at all, and even Lizzie, who listened critically all the time, said she only noticed it once. The audience seemed interested and attentive, and laughed heartily once or twice over the description of cooking and eating the locusts. When it was over, Mrs. Hayden was fairly beaming, and shook me cordially by the hand. Said she was very much interested. The president seemed much pleased also, and even

Mr. Miller. The august, came
out of his way to shake hands
and congratulate me. The girls
all said they were proud of
me, and Mr. Soanes declared
it was the best paper by all
odds. He was delighted too.

After the exercises we went
over to Cobb Hall, where even
so many people congratulated me.

We had a good time there -

Mrs. Hayden met a number
of people she had known -

Mrs. Mosely of Fane, and daughter
Fannie - the two Stebbins

boys who were pupils of hers,
and Florence. Of course I also

introduced her to Dr. Hargen-

Mrs. Mosely asked after you,
and wanted to be told when
you came to the city. She is

such a nice lady, and Fannie
who is a special student here, has
been very pleasant to me.

We had refreshments - lovely ice-
cream and cake, and the band
played in between. The chapel
was prettily hung with flags and
greens, and looked so nice. We
stayed till nearly twelve o'clock.

The next morning Florence
and Jack and I went to hear
P. of. Living preach - and such
a sermon! I wished Pagn
could have heard it - it was
on his favorite theme of the
necessity and excellence of labor, ^{and}
of the divine call for "devotion
to work". We enjoyed it much.
It was a lovely afternoon, and
we walked after dinner.

"Paper on Transshipments
received at U. of Chicago

Feb. 1893 by

M. Wallin.

Hon Alfred Wallin

Fargo
N. D.





never go anywhere near them
but they manage to turn the
scamy side of my ignorance out
and make me appear in an
unfavorable light somehow. I
never have the things they
want me to have, or know the
things they want me to know;
and in some way or other the
deficiencies in my character
most distressing to them are
dragged forth and turned this
way or that, and either commented
on with unsparring exactness,
or left to suffer under the scarcely
less severe censure of a loud silence.

However, I get along with Grandfather
pretty well now, and enjoy him
very much. He seems to like to
see that I enjoy his oddities,
and looks some often for appreciation
of his sly jokes. He shakes all

Please tell Papa:
that
Moolsey
Collected
Science
is in the
Library here
of which
50 be-
gin need
not borrow
it for me
Mollie
Mabelle

March 5, 1893.
Dear Mamma: -

I am at the old homestead
once more, you see. They had
been urging me to come out
for some weeks, and I had
put them off for one reason
and another, so thought I would
spend this Sunday with them.

I wrote to Uncle Thomas, asking
for the use of his ticket, if
he had one. He answered
that his was nearly exhausted,
but that Aunt Lizzie was coming
in and would perhaps go out
Saturday, when I could use
hers. So I stopped at the store
when I went to the train, to
see about it. Grandfather

was there, sitting all hunched
up in a chair, with a cheap black
cap drawn down over his ears,
and an old woollen muffler
^{twisted} around his neck. . . . (When
Papa is eighty-eight, I want
him always to wear broad-
cloth, and white ties, and
a silken neck handkerchief
and a seal skin cap. He must
never look careless or slouchy.)

Uncle said Aunt L. was not
going out, but that Papa had
something to communicate
along that line. So Grandpa
slowly drew out his pocket-
book, and then an envelope
and then the ticket, saying:
"yes. It has been utilized,
utilized. Do they know how to

do that at the Varsity?"

It seems he was intending to go
to the train to meet me, with
the ticket - good old man! Then
there was a long discussion about
the train I ought to take - Quaint
going on though they expected
me to take, and a time card
was produced, and then followed
a great talk about the relative
merits of different trains, and
when they started and when
they arrived - all proving in
the end, of course, that the one
they wanted me to go on was
the best by far, and that I didn't
know anything about the plain,
everyday affairs of life, anyway.
Grandpa said it couldn't be
wondered at, for of course
they didn't teach such things
at the Varsity.

article, and if we have any company next summer, I think we ought to invite her, at least, tho I am not sure she could go. I am convinced that she needs an interest outside of her home and of herself. But what it could be I do not know. I feel very sorry for her.

Grace looked well and hearty, and was cooking the dinner. Said Mr. Blish had been sick, and didn't like the country nor his work in Cal. Some man in a R. R. office in Elgin had told her that he would get him a position if he would come back here. She has written him to do so, and seems anxious for him to

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over sometimes at the thought of some quaint idea of his own, and likes to have his fun understood. So when he makes out the case against me, as he usually does, of course, I just laugh and tell him I'm no match for him, and doubtless it is all as he says. So we get along very well, and I don't think he disapproves of me more than he would of any one who was perverse enough to go to a "Varsity". I asked if they were all well at the house, and he answered that he didn't see but they all took their due allowance at dinner! When I received the ticket, I took out my purse and counted out the money. Uncle told me to give it to Gpa for Aunt Lizzie. Gpa waited till I had laid down the exact change

and put up my gunn again; and
then I said: "Well, I like you
for that! These fellows that take
what they can get and never say
anything about the pay - I don't
like them!"

I told him I had been taught
at home, ^{to consider} those "fellows" an unde-
sirable class, and their ways as
ways not to be imitated.

He admired my monkey-skin
cape, and wanted to know what
it was. Said "it's pretty, ain't it?"

--- This morning Reyes and
I walked up to the house. Found
Daisy and Grace - the children
were at Sunday School, and
Aunt L. in Chicago. Daisy was
lying down, and said at first
she was "all right". But later
when I talked with her

alone, she said she wasn't
feeling well at all - that
her back ached all the
time and she wasn't getting
well. She looked as well as
usual, I thought, but seemed
depressed. She has always ap-
peared cheerful before. I think
she is much discouraged. I

felt so sorry for her - Have
resolved to spend half the
spring vacation at their house -
the first half - so as to get
it over! But she always seems
to like to have me there, and
if I can contribute to her
happiness in any small
way, I think I ought to.
I am quite sure it would
do her good to be at Walliswood

addition to the family. —
Cousin Hagekiah Wallin
called on me Monday night.
Said I had "changed" a great
deal "since he saw me
last. He is a dentist, and
has an office in Central
Music Hall. Much? — asked
if he gave me his business
card! He really didn't, etc
we talked "teeth" quite a good
deal. He looks something
like Sam Wallin, and has
some of the family marks.
I didn't feel that any great
affinity would result from
an acquaintance with him,
the Daisy that he might some-
times take me to the theatre.
But I guess not. He wouldn't

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come. Aunt Lizzie came to see
Aunt Lydia a short time ago,
and told her that Mr. Blish
didn't want to come back
here and live on her, but
that he was not doing much
of anything in Cal. Nobody
knows what the outcome
will be.

Aunt Lydia is more cheerful
than she has been, I think,
but still is not buoyant
at all. She "hates poverty" as
much as ever, and busies
to distinguish herself in the
public eye. Has delivered
all her lectures but one
before the E. W's, and is
going to Turner Junction
soon to give one on Literature

to a class of girls who want
her to come. Fifty cents
apiece for one lecture,
and about ten girls. Hopes
to give five or six lectures
there if they continue to
want her. She would like
to do a great deal of that kind
of work. She intimates to
me, and regards this as only
an apprenticeship! Where her
ambition would lead her
no mortal can tell. I don't
believe it can ever be grateful
to any extent, either in her-
self or her children. Rather
think she is disappointed in
Keyes, that he doesn't get
ahead faster - thinks he is
going to be ordinary like

his father, I guess. Keyes certainly
has every reason for effort,
and I suppose is making
one. tho he doesn't talk
about it much - or his pro-
spects. Writes some for the
InterOcean in Chicago, and
some for Elgin papers. But I
don't know that he has any-
thing permanent. He does
not expect to be married
now until September. Jean-
nette has gone back to Ann
Arbor, and he can do nothing
but talk about her - some,
at least. He is very much
in love with her, and well
he may be, I think. I regard
it as a very good thing for
him. I like Jeanette, and
think she will be an

to ask the best way to
Judith's
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I think
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stand. the University life
of course. Marnie Perkins
his niece, is preparing for
the University next fall, and
is very much interested in
her studies. Cousin "Het" has
tried to dissuade her from
entering, but she is set on it.
He is evidently very fond of her.
Cousin Carrie was in-
tending to invite me over
there to spend Sunday some-
time. I think Marnie is
a bright girl - have heard so.
----- Mr. Judson's sister-in-
law, Miss Gilbert, of Minneapolis.

has been at the Beatrice for
a week. Thursday night.

• Miss Wallace gave a small
party for her - young men
and women; and Friday
night Lizzie Mather had a
"college-girl spread" for her
in Mr. Judson's rooms - he
had gone away. Bird Newman

was to come to spend the
night with me that night.
She and Mr. Dial came out
in the evening, and he made
a pleasant call. I was rather
surprised that she should
take ^{just} such a man as he is,
and still he has nice things
about him. I wouldn't want
him, but she seems suited

and ^{is} really fond of him - or
 thinks she is, which does
 as well for present purposes.
 He is rather a slight man,
 fair and delicate - almost
 consumptive-looking. Has
 not the "grand gentleman" air
 at all - is simple, almost
 abrupt in his manners, and
 not especially polished. I liked
 his simplicity and almost
 boyish directness, and, too,
 a certain independence of
 manner. She says ^{he} is extremely
 independent - won't hang around
 for any body, and gave her to
 understand that if she didn't

think she could care for him,
he would leave her at once —
no dilly dallying for him, ap-
parently. I think his strength
lies in his business capacity
— don't believe he has
much life outside that.
Is determined to be rich —
said to Bird that that was
the mark of destruction now-
adays, and he was resolved
to win it. Might have a
better ambition. I think, but
I presume Bird likes it. She
said she would have liked
a man with literary tastes,
but Mr. Dial hasn't those in
a very marked degree.

She expects to be married ~~again~~
 about April 20, and has given
 up the idea of a grand wedding,
 for she can't get the bridesmaid
 she wants. Will be married
 in church, and have only
 a very small reception - spoke
 of you and Papa as the among
 those she meant to invite.
 Some gift will be necessary.
 We will have to be thinking
 of it. She was very gracious
 indeed, and made me a
 pleasant visit. Took to the
 "spread" in Mr. J's room
 with me, after Mr. Dial

went away and met a
number of the girls. Was
much pleased with their
appearance, and thought I was
very nicely situated. I took
her to the K - in the morning,
and she went home before
lunch. In getting her trousseau
is to have a white satin gown -
\$2 1/2 a yd - 20 yds of it - made
by a man tailor - cost about
\$75.00. Then a travelling dress
and two tea gowns, and she
thinks that is ^a very small al-
lowance of gowns! I was sur-
prised at the price of her
tailor - He makes an ordinary
dress and furnishes the

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findings for 25.00. That is as
good or better than Morrissey
would do. -- Bird says they
are going to board during the
world's fair - expect to go to
New York in July, and Mr. Dial,
employer there has invited them
to his sea side cottage. So Bird
will get a taste of the life she
likes. But I think her en-
gagement has improved her.
She talked very sensibly about
things - expects to go to house-
keeping in a "flah" next year.
Think of her in a flah. like
common folks!

I am so sorry about your
troubles with hired girls. You
never had one leave you
that way before, did you?
But as you say, it was too
good to last. I wonder if you
can train the one you have
into anything? It certainly
is no fun - making a good
servant out of raw material.

I am sorry you have to do so
much of it. Perhaps Miriam
will come back when she finds
that she can "better herself"
in her agency. Would you want
to take "Aurora" to the lake if
you could? --

I will try to ans. Papa's letters about
World's Fair and the thesis before Sunday
if I can. I think he