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I wish you all could enjoy them with us. Your Father's black long hair is full of
 pipe berries, they are
 the largest black
 berries I ever saw.
 I think we should
 not waste the
 fresh & set out
 there as they don't
 mind Johnnie quass or
 any thing else would
 touch.
 Pretty soon I expect
 to get instructions from
 you & see as to how to
 use the phone. When
 he left your father
 & my self put in
 1913.
 to go to train my
 tractor one, and then
 together, then he wanted
 to thank you for your letter & having it
 awaiting me there, but was away so much
 "on the go" I found no time to write. I
 was so glad to hear that you & Royce had
 a pleasant trip home & that his cough
 was wearing off. My cough was so much
 better in Tushalova. I told your Father I
 thought it was because every thing was so
 clean, so sweet, dusty, places, how I would
 like to have our home in such a condition!
 We left home Tuesday at 4 o'clock & reached
 Tushalova at 9. ~~30~~ we had written the
 family not to meet us at that late hour
 but Bolling with his usual kind thoughtful
 ones had engaged an automobile to take us
 up & they were all on the porch watching

to sit down but I persuaded him to let our help change the latter desks, give them a clean place, he still hope them in that small space, feeds on bread & eats nothing green, call the 6 seem to be standing it, they all the only young thing's on the lot, less all left the note. Another black cowbird looks as if he is going up "8" I think one died when you were with us.

Wesnesday morning we went to service, after wards spent some time at the council meeting, had a little walk down town with aunt Mabel & Lucy, returned to a most excellent lunch furnished to all visitors by the church people, over 150 persons were seated at one time & nicely waited on by the ladies. Looking up & down the tables we saw a good many familiar faces, after lunch we met & talked with them. Miss Mary Avery seemed so glad to see us. I was sorry to see her looking rather feeble. After lunch Council met & remained in session until 6 o'clock, ladies were admitted & I was interested in the debates but did not stay all the time, we could go in & out as we wished. After supper there was service & a sermon so gone

Young Mother
so pressing
the bottom
for Council
but Charles
not heard his
call, saying he
he does not do
it right, you
will have to
leave. It is
very dinner
time. I must
close, before I
have not
told you
with details,
must love to
all these
children for me
New daughter
Mother.

our days were fully occupied. The second day I returned to Leslie's to lunch & the day after we accepted an invitation to lunch with Mrs Mayewell. Robert Cochran's sister, Sister Sally & Lucy stayed at F. Little's, it was not out of the way to call for them to go to church with us at night, they had no car.

Friday night Edwin invited us to 6 o'clock dinner, an elegant one it was too. Sister Sally, Lucy, Mr & Mrs Harris & a delegate staying there, & ourselves were the guests. We expected to meet Sam Adams who had been staying there but he left on the afternoon train as well as two or three other delegates who had. There is a most hospitable home, a large house on a hill & plenty of ground for orchard, garden & a pasture. Edwin has 3 boys & a little girl born in Feb. Robert is a fine man - is now Secty & Treasurer of the Diocese, sings in the choir

P. S. I forgot to say that Mary Duggan & Clara Young were at Bollings. I don't think Clara is
so pretty but she is
as sweet like a
Dogg & has a
sweetish, but
she is pleasant.

& is an active, good church member, what a blessing to have such a husband!

We left for home at 7 A. M. Saturday & arrived at Galliano at 1, found old Syd with his old poor horse in our buggy, of course we were alarmed, on getting up close to him we learned that Annie was sick, he had bought a bottle of medicine administered some & left her in charge of Floyd, she was not sick much & next morning was herself again, it is the first time she had ever been sick since we had her. Every thing else was all right only the old man forgot little jobs we left him to do. The men came out about an hour ago to put in the telephones, are now knocking away getting in the wires. New Lee is with them. We must thank you again for your kindness, hope we will make a success using it. I will try mightily hard to learn. Low berries are ripe

May dear
 I am very glad to have your letter this morning & to know all as well.
 Maria's sweet be getting strong to be out calling.
 It is queer how we stumble on people whom we least expect it. I suppose you had no idea such a person was in the city. I expect she was glad to meet you both. I remember her brother's visit to your grand Mother.
 I don't think any of the Baptists from our neighborhood attended that meeting "either" C. W. was very anxious to go but did not get off.
 It was a cheap trip.
 Your horse examinations must be very tiresome & I am sure you were glad to get through, & that not many more are to come.
 I expect you will meet many friends in Columbia & enjoy the trip. I am so glad your hay fever is

over again. I had a letter from Wm. a day or so ago, nothing special. Things has not written why he did not go to Buckhannon.
 We thank you & Maria very much for selecting the present for us, we don't want any thing smaller as was you two know what is perfect but. Are you June 2nd \$5.00
 \$2.00 is the price, or did you pay the difference between 5 & 7.00? If you did let me know & I will send the 1.75. We enclose a

Send for 1870
Please, however,
not quite so bad as usual.

yellow, we
will pay
express there,
will take it
one the day of
the wedding.
John goes there
a horse driver
as well before
ending the
invitation & B
think I will go.

The same was only
a very little earlier,
we are as disappointed.
Now, Father wants
with me in March
down to you all.
And the children

for me -

One devoted

Mother.

Tell Royce Annie is quite well now & the little
ducks too but they are still pined up.

I stopped here for dinner & now there is a little
show of rain which I hope will increase & last
many hours. From my little rows of crops I
have had several dishes & the bushes are full
of little ones, the eggplant (8 hills) & the 6 tomato
plants are doing well, but a good rain will be
fine for them. I wish you could taste those black
berries they are the largest & most juicy I ever
saw. I wish we could set out a row & have
them cultivated. I propose putting a row near
the wire inside the duck yard, just across
from the fig tree. Don't you want me to put
up some figs for your use next winter? I see
little ones coming, such a pity the early crop
always drop.

Our neighbor Mrs. Storer wants to sell his
place at \$50.00 an acre, does it want to build
such a large house as his wife wants, rather

I think you will have some warm now, it
is right warm with us today & much to our
delight it is clouding up, we must rain as
badly, had a little shower 2 days ago but it
was of much help, crops as well as gardens
need a good watering. That reminds me Mrs
Powell sent over for our Sunday dinner a nice
basket of vegetables, spinach, carrots, & snaps, with
a bunch of sweet peas on the top. I put them
on the table.

I am sure if you could, you go to Luskoban
you would have a most cordial welcome from
both families. Nothing is as fat as ever & as great
a father, has not lost his fondness for butter
milk. We have written to them twice since our
return but have heard nothing from them.

I want Susan & Robert to come down when
school closes, make us a visit while Dan is
here. I hardly think she will cook all summer.

sell out. I wish he could to come nice people,
he is so rough & unsocial.

Reuben came up yesterday said his cook said
she intended to quit, go to Virgie Wilkins, sign
the contract & work there, so he hitched up in a
berry, told her to stay there until he came back,
he drove up to the negro church on the Morris place
found Virgie's head nurse & told him what she
said, at once he said to Reuben, "I know New
Dezgar your fix & I will tell her we have no
use for her, to go back to her work with you." I am
anxious to know how it ended, provided him with
a good basket of eatables in case she did leave,
he will find it hard to fill her places at this
time of the year.

Fred I know is busy getting ready for the crowded
commencement they expect, it is the "house evening"
you know, he expects to entertain a housefull.
Frederic has resigned his place (it takes effort

Thank very much. Yours

Will sends us as many
nice vegetables & our wife
likes so much. I have a
basket in the well to keep
them cool & fresh.
I hope to spend for
dinner tomorrow. My
sister has little ones
about the age of a couple
of cups & we pick
scraps, enough for several
dishes. This morning we
went to have them to get
hard. They are out of
hand. I guess we shall
be able to have them
up another year. I
think the best
instrument, the best
did you ever hear of

Mr. Nathan said he would write
to you today, but he is so absorbed in a book
that I think the chances for a letter are poor
so I will write this. There is nothing of interest
to make up a letter.

I suppose you had the rain, & the cool spell
afterwards, it seemed to be general. Today is
right warm out of the wood. I thought this
morning we would have more rain but it
cleared off, the Almanac says we are to have
thunder storms from the 29th to 31st. I hope
not, for I want to go to the "Linen Show" on
Thursday, will go in the morning & return on
night train, your Father can easily meet me
for it is not dark when the train comes. Mrs
Batch will go over at noon & we return together.
That reminds me did I write you of the

death of Mrs. Vick Hatch in Spartanburg? She lived with some, it seems all of our contemporaries are dying off.

For a wonder I went to the Baptist church Sunday morning, had a pleasant surprise in the way of a solo by Mabel Robinson Welch. Oh my! her voice is powerful, some notes very sweet. The course from the "jubilee" with her brother, among them, Harry also. They all had a fine time. Several old graduates went from this neighborhood. I think it was said there were 400 present in Marion.

Sunday afternoon I went again to church hoping to have Mabel again but for some reason I don't know what not a member of the "J T" family were there. The preacher missed the times (he seemed to like to do it he sang so many) & the "sisters" joined in heartily. He gave a good sermon, more particularly to the young men.

It is getting on towards June & I have an idea

that you are packing again, things that you can do without. I think you said the apartment would be rented out. Will you find some other place when you return in the fall. These frequent packing must be very tiresome.

I hope the children are well, we hear of sickness among the children in different places. Everett & Davis Collins have each had a very sick child. Everett's was taken to a hospital in Selma, is much better now.

Aunt Mabel & Lucy have not come home yet. The doctor said he seems now so much work to do in his life ^{in any one month} as ever in Lucy's, that he detained them, but may possibly get through the last of this week as they will miss "the show". I had a letter from her today, she said Edwin had a fall on the street, (owing to so many deer perhaps) hurt his stiff arm. His bones came into a wire fence & cut himself badly so they could not see him for Commencement. The

any thing like it.
I think they had
better stick to our
tree & forget
them else on their
I have not heard
from Henry
since you have
been, said his name
on the paper as one
of the early ones of
all Westchester.
The early ones the
Bishop of London
at the Battle of Marston
must have been
the children of
young
from descent
Mother.

confirmed the paper report that Mrs Dashford,
Lucie's Mother, made a false step, fell & dislo-
cated her hip. It was set but Mrs D. was
suffering a great deal of pain, there is work for
Lucie's nursing her. Such a dislocation is very
serious with old people, they often die from it.
Mrs Anderson Walker did & she was much younger
& stronger than Mrs Dashford.
Rushen did not come up Sunday, wrote me his
cook was sick & he had a plenty to do. I wanted to
send him some eatables but could find no way to
do it, your Father was not willing to drive up
there to take them. Poor fellow! he has a hard time
& little satisfaction in life!
Your Father says the bag he wanted to send, &
write about, has gotten away, he should have put
it under a glass. The bag was found on an apple
tree, cut out this year, every leaf was eaten off it.
We had so many large, juicy, berries from this one

a paper of the largest size.
Notations I was down & some
parts. This was from Mrs
Wentworth, will last no record
drop. I was kept captivated
fully by getting those down
the dining hall in a
basket. My relatives sent
me some articles by
parcel post, we enjoyed
some of them today.
Paul & I were up Sunday
I cannot persuade him
to go to the wedding & from
there home with aunt -
but he was at
the wedding. It is so pleasant
there is something in
the day time that the
evening is so
pleasant if you are feeling

I am sitting at the dining room
table to get the benefit of the breeze & the
light - The heavy clouds that we were so glad to
see have passed around & left us dry &
disappointed, we cannot count on much. It has
been very hot with us & I have often thought if
you were here how wilted you would be, but
it was not too hot for the wedding to go on
yesterday, however there was a good breeze &
threatening clouds as today, but no rain.
Poor Father was feeling terribly weak from a cold
& very annoying cough, had eaten almost nothing
for several days & I was so afraid I would not
get to the wedding, but he made a great effort,
fed & bottled the horse, took some breakfast & a
glass of wine & was able to go, we went in the
morning because it was cooler than at noon.

I have not heard
from Henry for a
long time. I am very
about him. He
would not let me
know if he was
well.

Next has been busy
with various
put it to bed
and sister's
sick. I am just
as the hot weather
has come! Little
hope of finding
another. I know
some like all the
world to try to find
one.

thinking I am looked mighty too hey -
I wonder if you will be tired if I tell you about
the show. Julia Harris gave the birds. I
went to that too & had as they say three days &
five times. The house was beautifully decorated
with red, white, blue & green. The
house was full of handsomely dressed ladies, the
show abundant, & refreshments delightful.
The Wilkins gave a show the evening before, in the
2 shows there were 90 birds, (some gave a
box of 6) 28 pairs of silk stockings & every thing from
birds up to full suits of underwear, pillow cases,
towels, center pieces, table scraps &c &c. I would
have felt oppressed with the weight of gifts if
I had been Lizzie. I am afraid you will think
I am overdoing, & "shows" crazy as I had better tell
you of a nice present we had this morning, a
basket of vegetables - a large cabbage, &c &c
very large onions, one saved for us both & the cook,

June 14th 1913

My dear Son

I don't know what to think of not having heard from you for so long. Your first letter was mailed May the 17th, just before you went to Columbia to lecture. I am so afraid some of the family are sick, this is the latest time that you expected to be in St. Louis I think. Altho' you may have been busy packing it seems to me unless there had been sickness in the family that you would at least have sent me a card telling of your movements. I will not venture to send this to Wood's Hole, if

you have left St. Louis suppose it will
be forwarded to you.

I am anxious every day for the mail but
have looked very eyes out for a letter but
none come.

It is getting pretty hot with us now, but
^{this} past week for several days we had fire,
sometimes all day, that was after the
much desired rain which has been the
saving of the crops & gardens, the weather
had been so dry. Vegetables are plentiful
& our neighbors remembers us liberally, this
morning Mrs. Powell sent a quantity of
carrots, Irish potatoes & a cabbage, a few
days ago Mrs. Beasley sent a 18 lb cabbage
very large onions, beets, butter beans &
okra, this is the second basket she has
sent. Yesterday evening we went down to

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see them, poor woman and with a large lot of poultry, a teething child, & milk & brother to attend to she has her hands full, seldom gets out, seemed so glad to see us. She has 125 young turkeys doing finely.

Wednesday night Fred gave us one of his surprise visits, was down from the Uniontown Station without warning, fortunately Frank Stewart's buggy was at the depot & his man drove him up, another fortunate thing was the cooks had not left the yard & I could have some butter cakes made for him, without them supper would have been rather short - we need so little that sometimes the bread supply

gets down too low for unexpected guests. Fred has fallen off some, says he lost 10 lbs when he had that trouble with his tooth & had to live on liquids so long. He & even he wants to take a light course of study some where, either north or west, had not decided, but if he goes will start the coming week. The family plans are undecided. They had 7 persons to stay with them during commencement & had numerous others to dine & sup with them, always 2 tables spread.

I had a note from aunt Michael today, she has no servant, says she never was in such a fix in her life. The Drs say she must not work or worry, how can she help it —

Mrs. Storer came a few days ago &

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this evening we will walk up to see
her & invite her to come to church tomorrow,
we expect Mrs. Kania over.

We are more bothered about automobiles
these days, Mrs. John Walter Collins, Dr.
Staples & Mrs. Spencers all have them, the
road is kept in such good order that
the town people are always out on it.

Reuben did not come up Sunday, I do
hope he will be with us tomorrow.

I hope I will soon have good news from
you, it would be too bad if any of you
are sick. Kiss the children for me, give
much love to them & Annie, & full share
from yourself from

Your devoted Mother.

entire invitation to St Andrews

your letter port reached the 15th & to know that you were safely landed in Woods Hole, we are having any inconvenience from this trip. I expect you all begin to feel quite at home by this time. The house must be a very pleasant one & I am sure the children enjoy playing in the tent in the yard. Do you propose to try the sleeping porches? Such a house as that would suit Fred, as many could sleep on the porches.

Did you rent out your apartment with

engagements to go over, said they would keep open house & would be glad to see any friends to dinner, or if ministers are expected & the meeting will last 4 days. I would like to go over & stay, but the kin many leave the ministers to take care of. We may go for one day, then spend it with the tent much for Mrs. Rogers, her frequent work calls & has to take notes & give to keep up. You the same much with your letter. I am sure our friends they were well & having more vegetables from his little back yard. I expect that he wrote himself. Ask him to write the first time to write me a letter this summer. We are ready to study much love to you all & kisses to the children. Your devoted Mother.

your furniture in it, or did you have to
pack that away?

I expect the cold weather is over & that like
ourselves you are having summer seas
enough, it is real hot now, some days no
breeze, but there is a little today. Has the
change cured your hay fever? "Minnie" must
have been much troubled about her Father.
I hope he will soon recover & be able to
join you later in the summer.

Your Father is feeling stronger but the cough
is still troublesome, he says it is bronchitis,
an acute attack, not like mine.

Just as the car was driven up to
Aunt Nellie's, did not reach there until
11 o'clock, (he was so slow getting off) but
she was expecting us, had telephoned asking
us to come. Lucy is trying to take as much

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care of her Mother, when they had no cook she would get up & cook breakfast, & make her Mother stay in bed, & care her in every way she could. Now they have a wild thing in the kitchen & she overlooks her. Yesterday she made peach ice cream for dinner attended to every thing & later Sally sat still & talked to us. She said after dinner that she felt as much better than she had done for several days. I thought I could account for it, rest —

Rich is busy with his crop — We found the crops on the road very fine, the cotton a little under size in some places but the corn splendid, & all very well worked. The road is splendid, in regular automobile order & they take advantage of New Richesons.

There is another letter due you from St. Louis.

good word. Mrs. John Walter, Dr. Staples & the
Spencers come out in theirs. Mrs. Mrs. Spencer,
& daughter went out to Harvard to see "Will"
graduates in law.

The birds have been heard from regularly,
the last time they were stopping in some
town in Colorado.

When Fred was here he told me he hoped to
leave this week for some place North or
West, to take a light summer course.

Francis' letter a few days ago did not say
where he had decided to go or when he
would leave. She & Frederic are looking for
situations as teachers. Fred says they will
have some trouble getting places on account
of being so young.

Next Tuesday a Convocation meets at
St. Michaels' Church. Mrs. Davis gave a

well live so much better lives. I saw some thing of Dr. Cameron & let's him
very well. They had a
delightful trip to Colorado
but I don't want it was
as well there that she
feels the heat so much
more now. They are
hoping to get a house
for it is wanted at -
Mulleit's. Would it it
be fine if we could
discover gas on this 40
acres? I think we could take
summer trips too, but
not to Denver you
think is too short, was
shutting out a delight-
ful breeze last night.
The ducks have died
down to about 5 - I think

I was waiting for a letter
from you before writing, this morning's
mail brought it. We are, ^{just} to know you
are all well & enjoying such a delightful
climate. If I had wings, would fly up &
spend the day with you, to get some of
the cool air & make the acquaintance
of little Anna, glad to hear she is thriving
on some cow milk. Bogie's cold lasted
a long time, in your cool climate I should
think in doors would be pleasant enough
at night. Are you all sleeping on the
porch? Some nights when the breeze is
not on our side we would not mind
having a porch to sleep on, but the
nights have not been so hot, it is the
days that almost melt us, there is

Now then
 usually a breeze to be found, some where
 but this even is scorching.
 I expect Mrs & Mrs. Robertson will enjoy
 your cottage life & I know Maria will
 be glad to have them. I think it well
 you could not be visited in Boston for I
 am sure it would be very hot for you.
 Has your boy just left you? & is Maria
 getting strong enough to handle the baby
 without much fatigue?
 I was very much surprised a few days ago
 to have a card from Margaret at Denver.
 She said the whole family but Frederic
 had just arrived, (he would be on a few
 days later) that her Mother & Father were
 going that afternoon to Boulder to look for
 a house. Yesterday a card came from
 Frances saying they were at Boulder &
 having a splendid time. She said it
 was cold & the wind blew all the
 time. I don't know what Fred will do

about that light course of study he
 wished to take. They can change their plans
 & jump up quicker & do some thing else,
 than any people I ever knew. In a letter
 to Mrs. Frances said "Brother & myself have
 been busy answering business letters" but
 did not say if they had accepted situation.
 I have been anxious to know if Mrs. Camp
 went with them, should think it just the
 place for her.
 As warm as it was I spent 2 days of
 this week in Farnedale attending the
 Convocation, enjoyed the whole time so
 much, went to 3 services the first day &
 2 the second day. There were 7 ministers
 counting Mrs. Harris & all of them good
 preachers. Mr. Wm. Deen was one of them
 you remember him - he went out with
 you boys to catch chickens one night. He
 is as lively & amusing as ever & is a princely
 & character every where, does & says what

my best to get him to sell them for they were giving us no eggs & it was
 pretty near they would die
 under his treatment. I sent
 help giving over the shovels
 washed on them. He soon turned
 covering the house yet. But we
 did not have any more mice.
 went some how, but a spider
 yesterday evening. I think I must eat
 the table. Much love & kisses to
 you all
 Your devoted
 father.

he pleased. Mrs Hatch, your father & myself
 went over Wednesday morning on train,
 they returned at 6:35 P M & I stayed
 until that time next evening. I spent the
 night with Maria Brown, we both dined
 there - Your father had time to attend the
 5 o'clock meeting before taking the train. They
 were very interesting, the ministers sat in
 the congregation, (no robes) & different questions
 were discussed after a prayer or two &
 a hymn, lay men were invited to have a
 say if they wanted to, but all had the
 good taste to leave it to the presbyters.
 Thursday I dined at Melville Brown's,
 aunt Melville was there, she like myself
 went over for a day but was persuaded
 to stay over. Lucy & herself certainly enjoyed
 being there. It is a great pity we can't
 attend such meetings oftener I think we

I really don't know until
 I saw a dark cloud over
 that direction, he had given
 over in the ground waiting
 for rain to bring it up,
 sent me some very nice
 nothing was getting any
 else. Oh yes, he was with us
 Sunday. Your vegetables must
 grow very rapidly, but then
 I don't remember how long
 you have been at
 Woods Hole. I hope the
 children enjoyed the 4th. At
 Dr. Morris's. We would have
 had a quiet time but for
 looking at my letter list that it had been so
 long since I wrote to you & now maybe it
 will have to be a short letter it is so late.
 I fully intended writing directly after dinner
 but became interested in some house cleaning
 & forgot about the letter. I expect some company
 tomorrow night to tea & was doing as much as
 I could today so as not to have so much on
 hand tomorrow when Lucy & sister Sally are
 with us. They will come down in the evening
 & spend the day & night. I invited Linnie, Dr.
 Cameron, George Brown, Melville, & Maria, also
 Maria & Mr. Brown. I don't know whether the

latter will come but the young people
 will. They have been so kind & hospitable
 to me that I felt I must return it, but
 it is trials, & tribulations to do any thing these
 days, so hard to get any thing done, they sue
 promise to do things but that is all. I have to
 hunt them up myself, beg them to come & then
 be disappointed, but one woman was true to
 her word has just left benares & breed that she
 said she would bring out from town. I will
 have chubut & white cake for second course.
 We were so glad to have your letter to your
 Father, it does me good to think that the
 bug fever has left you almost entirely & that
 Boyce is improving so fast & the others are
 well. Anne is a model baby. I am afraid
 leaving Mother & Father to look after & provide

Robert's behavior, he
has a hard playing
all day & each one
of them & some saw
of some they played
late & wrote all the
more they could, the
performance was kept
up 2 days Robert
saw how much
money. Some father
enough still having
his complaints of being
very weak, I think the
last winter makes us
all feel that way now
or less. Very pretty
Duchess was in dark &
another man by both of
it will die. Which
love to you all
Now devoted
Mother.

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stress for is a draw back to Bernice. I do wish
she could recover her strength. I wonder how Colo
would do for you all - such a fine climate.
We had our first letter from Fred today, he
says they have rented a furnished house for the
rest of the summer in Boulder, as many modern
conveniences that the family do the work without
hired help. They found a piano in the house &
the children carried their musical instruments
as they have a good deal of music. Fred had
the Dr at the Agnes Memorial Sanatorium to
examine him, he confirmed his diagnosis of
lost Oct - a cure, & said in some respects
he is even in better condition than then. Bea
& Frederic are taking a light course he said but

P.S. I forgot to tell you that the One Redoubt plantation house burned but Wendell
 Barnum was there about 3000
 dead not any where. Fredrick has accepted a
 position for next year as instructor in soils &
 fertilizers in the University of Florida at
 Gainesville. On the fourth they took a trip to
 Glacier Lake by rail, ascending from Boulders
 altitudes of 5400 ft to a height of 9100 ft.
 I never felt any inconvenience from the altitude.
 They were 15 miles from the Glacier which was
 in full view the appearing in the distance as
 only a wide mass of snow. The Glacier is about
 2 miles wide. Fred will come home Aug 2, ^{not} in
 time for the summer school, the others may
 stay until Sept 1st. I suppose Frances has not
 found a place to visit here as he did not
 mention it. Mrs Camp is with them too.
 We have had some very hot weather lately,
 since I began writing a slow steady rain has

Fred's address is
 1880 - 18th St
 Boulder, Colo.

I have out-
 lived me for years not-
 since we stopped taking
 see regularly having it
 for the the slow light
 just grow better in the
 portions of having some
 sure. It is certainly
 delightful to have our
 sick, but weather, down
 drink better with with
 see. Now better is as
 anything for me to collect
 a taste for it.
 Tomorrow is our service
 day. I winter chilly winter
 they will not be able to
 come down, it is always a
 disappointment not to have
 blue blazes, that I think can be said of some
 of our days now, the mornings particularly,
 later in the day there is usually some breeze.
 It is now 2.30 P.M., & in spite of a haze
 the thermometer (away from the sun) registers
 99 1/2. I can't understand how any thing can
 live & grow but the crops look well, we
 drove to the Japon Well two evenings ago
 & I was surprised to see how green & pretty
 the corn looked. We want for drinking water,
 it is a fine stream, in fact the boldest
 any where around here, from that well we

Allen is shipping & selling this water, sent off 2 car loads to N O last week. 1.00 a ten gallon carboy, we just take our bottles & help ourselves, it is delightful water, you may be interested to know where it is, it is on the piece of land Uncle Waver sold Mr Allen for the Durals, isn't way far from the Laneville road. Mr Allen bored the well. It is said the cattle drinking that water fatten much faster than those drinking from another well. As maybe if we keep up drinking the water I may get fat. As we were that far down the road we made Mrs Hart a visit.

As hot as it was this morning Mrs Hart came to see us. Ben's family have been with her about 6 weeks, children with the whooping coughs, she is thoroughly tired of being kept at

them. Their
family are still
enjoying themselves
at Portland, and
& Fredie are
taking light snow
at the University
there. Did I write
you that Anne &
has accepted the
position of assistant
of w. & J. at
the Univ. of Illinois.
I sent her some
money to let her write
any way. I will be
glad to hear from
her when she
finds time to write.
I wish to see you all
very soon.
Your devoted mother.

home, they are pretty well over it now &
will return to Uniontown next week. Mrs
H. - says Minnie is on the coast of Maine
enjoying the cool weather & quiet.
I hope Mrs. Robertsons continues to improve
& that you are all having "a good time".
Anne is a remarkably good child to sleep from
6 p. m. to 5 next morning & then go to sleep
again. I suppose she sleeps in the day times too.
Have you succeeded in getting a cradle for her?
There have been a good many visiting girls
in the neighborhood consequently parties, base
ball ^{games}, hay rides &c have been gotten up for
their amusement. Mrs. Burke gave them a
party last night, one night they danced at

the George Collins house now occupied by
 Herbert's Father. Will Spencer graduated in
 law at Harvard & is at home now.
 I think when I wrote last I was to have
 a little "tea" next night. The day was cloudy
 with an occasional sprinkle but sister Sally
 & Lucy came down about dinner time &
 Remond soon afterwards. I thought there
 would be all but before dark Dr Cameron's
 auto stopped at the gate with 6 persons
 in it, himself & wife, Mrs Brown & Maria
 & George & Belville. Mrs Powell was over so
 we had 12 to supper - counting ourselves.
 I think all enjoyed the evening very much.
 Tuesday the girls called in the afternoon
 to take me to Danvers but we had just
 gone to Galline to take the train. We came
 out on the 6.35 from Danvers as usual.

Dinner is over & no Pentecost yet - as I suppose we will not see him today. How can this be? I am out but it is close & hot enough to rain again. I hope Medicine will take his place. No news from Henry. I have stopped in often. I saw of this a very scattering flock, a very open one. I wish you had some of our figs - the 'they are not so wide, since there has been th so much rain in them. March has to go all & kiss to the children.
From devoted Mother.

The dining room is the coolest & lightest place to write as I am at this table ready for a one sided chat. It is only 11.30 but I feel as if I had been up a whole day, the days are so long, Sundays particularly, when there are no services to attend. Now Harris was over last Sunday, his vacation begins in August so we will not have another service until the 3rd Sunday in Sept. - This is a cloudy, consequently a dark day in this house. We have had rain almost every day for nearly a week, it was much

needed but I think we have had enough
for the present. The crops look beautiful
but if the rains continued I expect the
squares will drop. Our Weevil has made
his appearance among us, yesterday while
resting on the porch one lighted on your
Father's paper, as much as to say "I have
come." Oh my! there is a rain I am afraid
if Reuben has left home he will get a
soaking! Water continues to pour down in
the rooms up stairs. I can't see the seams
of not covering the house, it leaks as on the
beds some times that they are all sternal
up & I don't dare leave a white counterpane
on; the water comes in different places each
time so I can't prepare for it.

I was very glad to have your letter a few

days ago I think you took a long walk for
berries, wonder that you found any, I suppose
they are much hunted, it was good to find
a place to rest on the way. It is unfortunate
that the milk & egg supply are insufficient
for I think you all believe in those two
things. Eggs are scarce in this country, but
also, it is very unusual at this season to
have to pay, 20^{cts} for eggs, usually abundant
at 10^{cts}. I am glad to know Mr & Mrs
Robertson have improved so much.

Yes, we stood the heat very well I think tho'
at times felt almost overcome by it, since
cooler weather your Father has improved in
strength, & his cough is better. Wednesday there

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was the usual annual barbeque at Mumf's
your Father wanted to go, dropped me at
aunt Melville's & kept on to the barbeque.
Dr Casey, Dr Spillman, B B Ross & Dr Hinds
were the speakers, the orators were good &
the "steak" "fines". On the way back to sister
Sally's your Father was in a hard rain.
Annie was tired & we thought the road would
be heavy so we stayed all night. We waited
an hour or so after breakfast for the road to
dry a little, just long enough to have to
turn in at the Manning place & wait
until our horse rain was over. I asked a
colored girl to let me sit in a cabriolet & Dr
D. drove down to the shelter in front of the
ginnery. We did not reach home until 1 o'clock
tired & hungry, could not wait for dinner to

PM. Hbagg, NY.
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Friday

My dear, dear Marie-

You have been thinking
of me perhaps in Germany
speaking fluent German
& the Germans call the
time. I have been
right here in these
lithers & my own
apple tree, and tried to

city limits just because
my financial rope can
not reach farther. Oh! I love
to be poor!

When your letter came I
was busy putting the
in shape for mother's
trip - The time to depart
with the Bancrofts & then
to New York City for a visit

to Mr. Hinton.

There are some again in
town is a man somewhat
heavier & very much more
of a young lady, she thinks.
But I can still be true
of my own cup of a girl.
I wonder if children ever
really grow up to them in

the eyes of their parents!
Ethel Macdonald is coming up -
she spent her summer months
reading - the Phreosia,
Henry Edmund & c. - we
know the need but for
growing minds after they
pass the stage of Lewis
Alcott.

Frank is a Cornell student.

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He, with about a dozen
other boys his age, is in
a practice club set is
really hardy - I go with
him to drink in a little
nap. - Tell Louise, Frank
says if she does not write
to him, he'll have to
take another girl - she is
about 25 years young in

The Summer School.

I heard him telling
Bertram Wilcox that he
'd waited since last Feb-
^{for a letter}ruary & he was getting pretty
mad about it. - He & Betty
Freeman are the only ones
left ~~on~~ that immediate
net & they got together
some afternoons.

Most of our neighbors have
left us now - The Welles
Family left last night
for the Adirondacks - The
women Bennetts are up
in Maine, the Larr at Lake
Hunk Falls - The Harrises -
You see many of my
play mates are gone. The
dear Mrs Blood is here now

Play with some time - all the
Furnesses & much of Williams
are here. Virginia Van C - is
to be married to a physician
in Elmore & I suppose she'll
rather stay at home, near at
hand - Our girls are losing
up one by one but some
stay on forever. Do you
still like the White
Journal - I + as you know

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all of the seedlings sent
parent to come.

Some of your friends though
as not "advantage" much, as
you once so beautifully said,
some can only get inside
news from a gossip friend.

For instance you do not
know that "Laurie" (spelled
phonetically) is still gardening.

your garden & also about a
dozen others. He is the funniest
little Italian I ever saw.
He has beaten the proverbial
tree a mile. - Your house
is filled with misadventures
old maids & young but no
Mrs Country - The summer
school is most remarkable
The summer - it looks like

a genuine Battle of Britain
gathering. Bristol hasn't
watched out or they'd all die
on his hands with this heat.
It's hard on old people you
know.

Now, Marie dear, show me
how noble you are send me
even a long letter all
about the family especially

that sweet "mildest suffragette."
Have it you a look at your
family - I'll try to send
you one of us to show
how we've all grown.

Love me & faithfully
Your friend
Joice Kelly.

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My dear Son

But for the little breeze that has just sprung up I would say it is too hot to do any thing but fan, & keep off muggintos. The last few days have been steaming hot when there was no breeze & even that at times has been very hot. You are blessed in being able to move to a cool place in summer. We have had some rains & everything is beautiful green but I think now we will have a dry spell that will burn vegetation up again, the moon sets that way. We must be thankful that hot as it is we can keep up. Your Father is feeling

much better, & if I can keep out of the
 kitchen I think I will stand the roomer.
 I have Dan but I never feel that I can
 count on her far ahead. Mrs Stewart was
 here yesterday & gave such a glowing
 account of her "King Bee" oil stove that
 one should not dread cooking much.
 She has a cook but that is to help out
 when the cook is out of place, or for any
 extra cooking, cake, preserves &c. The stove
 has a glass oil tank & a glass door to the
 oven but I reckon you have seen them.
 Well! Bermuda Hill is sold again, this
 time to a Kentucky man with a family,
 they will make a stock farm of it, we
 are glad to have a family there. Maybe
 Kentuckians will be more like our people

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than those from Indiana. All the men are talking "Alfalfa meeting" & the grand slaying of animals for the barbecue, 150 wanted, it is a shame to kill so many things for one eating when meats are so high, as usual Demopolis expects the country people to give all those animals. Fred wrote he would be in Auburn Sunday in time for Farmer's summer school this week & will be at "the meeting" on the 13th. I do wish he would spare us a few days of his time.

How are you all getting on? & did you find a nurse? I looked for a letter from some one of the boys this morning but it

flowers breaking nicely but he said there was a small place on the other foot, he had used the remedies on it & hoped to "rip it in the bud". I do hope he will be able to go to the meeting.

Mr & Mrs Hatch came Sunday morning & sat a good while. Mrs Stewart was here yesterday evening, Miss Mary returned from N. C. a few days ago, has been there ever since the wedding.

Dove shooting has begun, the men & boys seem to be trying to kill them all at once.

Mr Crawford on the Webb place next to Reuben, & Mrs Peacock on the Egypt place

are gathering up the boll several squares
 & burning them. I hear of no one at
 much work around here. Reuben's little crop
 does not promise much & if the weevil
 attack it I don't think he will make
 expenses.

The rains finished up the fig crop, made
 them sour. Watermelons are plentiful &
 nice I hear, we do not buy them because
 we can't use up one & it is a waste.
 I had a letter from Waver about a week
 ago. Stevey seems to have forgotten how
 to write.

The mosquitoes are terrible I can scarcely
 write for them will stop & sleep for the
 evening. I am afraid I am sending a very
 uninteresting letter. Much love to you all, kiss
 the children for me

Your devoted Mother.

him, if he does not choose to stay there is no way of keeping him.

I was very sorry to hear
Margie was not feeling
well, tell her for our kindest
wishes and our love.

She likes to visit with
us when she has company.

Harry Monk, her young
looking husband, is now
called to see us Sunday.

She is looking so well. Mrs.
Collins was with them,
said her name was so

thought by any thing as
by the visit you & that

meets her. Her boys
never give me a chance
to be "tricked".

Some in the neighbor-
hood 10 days with one
acts at his command &

The perfume of cantaloupes
fills the house. I wish you had come,
they are just delightful. Your Father went
to Mrs Collins' patch yesterday with
Hoyd to buy some, Mrs Collins ^{who happened to be there} gave him
over a dog, we were so glad to have come
for supper last night for Fred, he had
not seen any. As usual he came without
notice & had to ride up on a lumber
wagon, altho the horse was left hitched
expecting a phone message from him. I
tried my best to get each one of the
Gallows stores to ask if he came but
could not do it.

I am all alone this afternoon - the Alfalfa
move must begin this morning. (As I am
not, there comes your Father now) Well I

Don't you
see the
death of
New Haven
of New
Haven?
The horse
will offend
some one in
New J's
presence.
Your Father says New Britain, New Wing, New Britain & others about you today - must tell you about "the movement."

About 8.30 the neighborhood people began to gather at New Powell's, you remember the morrow where the old summer house used to be with 2 cedars trees on one edge of it, between these trees there were some bales of Alfalfa hay stacked, some bolls corn, pea vines & velvet bean vines, a table in center of mow & chairs & a bench. I forgot to say a large silver pitcher of ice water & glasses were on the table, the effect was very good. At the lower part of the barn there were some fine mares & colts from Allenville, New Lelays' fine Percheron was led back & forth, a fine hog was exhibited, & some Hereford cattle from Allenville, a wagon loaded with hay & fine stacks of corn resting up against it, & it looked like a little fair. There were not many ladies but I was of the number. After some little delay, which time Fred spent looking at the stock & meeting old

friends the automobile train came ~~out~~ ⁱⁿ from Danapolis. The car with the biggest ones stopped right by the mound, all present were arranged for a picture, afterwards Fred was called upon to introduce the speaker Mr. Gaulties, he made a short talk looked at stock & these automobiles were filled to return to Danapolis for more speeches & the barbecue, of course Fred was given a seat in one & your Father offered a seat in another, he jumped in & went, not knowing when he would get back, but it was hot & he did not care to wait for the night train so he & Mrs. Hatch came out on the 1, & Mrs. H. - brought him home in his buggy. At 3 this afternoon the train is supposed to pass the store on the way to Hannesdale, will stop there an hour or so then on to Uniontown where they will be entertained tonight, tomorrow they go to Greensboro, thence to Marion Junction Friday, then they disperse. Your Father says

never came near us. I am glad my boys have not forgotten their mother's training. I met Mrs. Lykes one new neighbor today, he has taken possession of Penn. de Will, runs a nice room there. I saw other young foreigners; say he has never been in this country & does not know how he will like it. Please excuse but writing & scribbles this year is poor & I am a little nervous. Kiss the children for me, much love to you all. Your devoted Mother

there were 3 rows of seats around the northern, formed of baled alfalfa & the whole place was covered with green alfalfa to walk on. Our Father heard Mr. Wing, Mr. Holden, Mrs. Ganties, & Mr. Butler speak. I hope I have not tired you with my poor description but I wanted you to have some idea of how things looked. Fred is looking very well, takes meals at the hotel until his family returns. Our Father saw Reuben, I am so glad his foot was well enough for him to go. He was with us Sunday. I tried my new freezer making ice cream to celebrate his birth day a day ahead. Aunt Melville & Lucy were invited down but could not come. They expected to come this morning, so the show & spend the rest of the day with us but Rich had to go to Tuscaloosa to get a youngster who left

that letter I am ever so much obliged to you & I feel that I thought it too soon for you to be so good as to answer me. You must give me a day or two to get a good deal of my own gift - not need as a single thing now for a year. Mrs Adams wants to see me a day or two ago. I feel on Mrs Adams. This house is beginning to show a good deal of the power is up. It stays dark a long time I don't think I will be able to write another letter this evening. I hope there will be no more sickness in the family. Please love to your all & give the sweet children for me. Your devoted Mother.

that he has to feed them to his hogs to get rid of them, would it you be glad to use up some of his surplus? Your garden is wonderful I think, I know the vegetables come in nicely. We are living mostly on corn field peas, skus & Irish potatoes. I know some people have sweet potatoes. That is right, "take it easy" for awhile for I am sure you need rest.

I see there has been some rains in Kansas but too late for the corn, any way it is a blessing to the sufferers. It is so hot we need a little, to cool the air, but it would be bad for the hay meadows.

The day of the "meeting" (13th) I wrote & told you all about the beginning of it at Mrs Powell's & that your Father came back before the dinner which was beautiful & delicious, 10 large pots of stew, so much meat that after the white people were served 300 negroes were allowed to "clean

up" what was left on the tables, on the sticks were numberless carcasses that were sold for .50^{cts} a quarter, was it that a rise!

The anti. train, about 20 cars, passed on to Uniontown where they had a barbecue & speaking at night. Next day they went to Newbern where there was more speaking & another barbecue. Our Prof was one of the speakers there & in Greensboro & his "talks" were pronounced "fine". The whole party spent the night in Greensboro, had there a salad luncheon that was much enjoyed after a much "barbecue".

The Advertiser complimented very highly the speeches of Mrs Wing, Mrs Holden & Prof Duggins said 3 finer speakers could not have been found for the occasion. We have not heard from Fred since he left us, he may have had to go off some where. I had a letter from Frances today she said Dorothy had a little spell of fever, thought it was

caused by over exertion, she went mountain climbing with some grown people, has fever as soon as she returned.

Reuben's foot is well enough for him to wear Waver's low shoes I had put away. He went to Aunt Melville's Tuesday night & returned yesterday evening, spent the night with us, he came through the fields near Black House, Van Faddins place & out on the Greensboro road, it seemed to have been a seed collecting trip, the old buggy was just packed, ~~with~~ *Muellilolus* & burn clove seed, a box of guineas eggs to set, his clothes, oil cloth coat & lap robe & a large bundle for me. *Muellilolus* seed are valued so high now that we have to pay \$1.00 a bushel to the gatherers.

Well now I must tell you some news, Lorine Sprague is to be married on the 3rd

of Sept to her bureau of long standing, Rev
 Dr Witt Hutchins. The marriages will take
 place at church, no invitations, just announce
 ed in the paper. As they have both sung in
 the choir for 6 years the choir have prepared
 a good deal of singing for the occasion.
 Alway is asked to be one of the ushers &
 I do mention of honor. Lavinia invites us to
 go down, I wish we could — They will
 live in Mobile. She ^{and} Myron seems to have
 recovered his good health. Alway is his
 physician & at one time feared tuberculosis.
 Oh! it is getting dark a heavy cloud is
 coming, we may get our rain.
 It is just light enough to write again —
 We had a heavy rain.

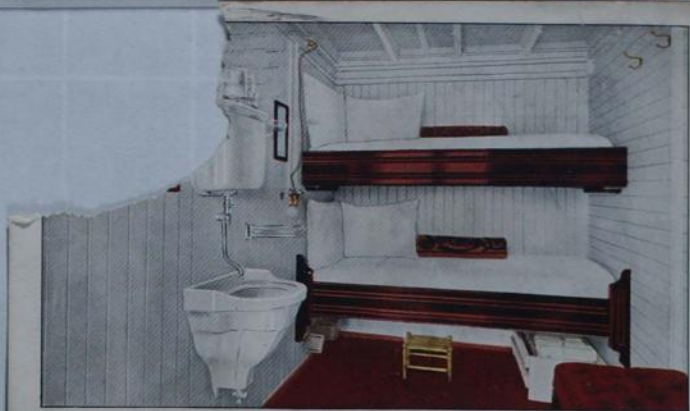
We were down at Mrs Stewart's one evening
 or two ago, she astonished us very much by
 saying she read in a paper that morning
 that Mrs Dr Poole (Ellis) was married in
 Selma the day before to Mr Baame, he is

I see this wine
take a large
bunch off as
chairs being
taken of the bank
bullet down the
river to see with
them to let the
deer know -

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a very common man who attended to the
plantation where Dr Poole lived, had a
room in the house, after the Dr's death Mrs
Poole kept him there, & now he is a fixture.
They went over to Selma, got a license, then
went to a minister & were married. Her
friends were so astonished at her, but she
is a morphine fiend & there is no telling what
they will do. How hard it seems to us for
Weymshe & Rowwood to be occupied by such
common people, what would Amelia George &
Hathorn think could they know it!

Now you ask about the telephone bill. I
cant tell you anything about it, it has never
been sent to us. Was it to go 1 month to you,
& the next to Fred? if so they may have
made a mistake & sent 2 months in
succession to Fred. I will try & find out
about it. I was telling you Hathorn this other day



Stateroom, Savannah Liners

Roomy, complete — inviting.
The same of sea travel comfort.

Here we are at 2¹⁵ ^{half Sunday} morning
 on ship and everything rattle pile.
 I am on to my job, and have been
 since 6 a.m. All OK. Daddy
 had a fine night and naps
 after the showers passed
 about 10 P.M. Fine in N.Y.
 today. He talked over to 5th floor,
 took a "seeing" bus to Park
 & Museum, spent A.M. at
 latter, also lunching there.
 then return in similar style
 kisses and goes to all.
 Take care "B." "Daddy" Shighing
 die gladly to read.

POSTCARD

This space for the address and

Mr. J. M. D. Aggar,
 Woods Hall,
 France.

his chair in the new
College. I suppose
my dear he thinks he has
worked long enough
for nothing. He college
has little money, the
old Pa's have very
little salary & the
young one, are expected
to work for the glory of
it. I don't know whether
he has given up the
kindness House, that
was for charity too.
One of my colored
friends (Henderson's
daughter) sent me
such a nice quantity
of vegetables, a large

I should have written a
day or two earlier that you might have
the letter on your birth day but failed
to count right about the time of its
reaching you, our letter written today for
instance lies over until tomorrow to be
mailed, I some times forget that, don't
think I will ever cease to miss the
night's mail we had for so long a time.

Altho' delayed this takes you our best
wishes for many returns of your birth
day. I wish you could spend it with
us. I could give you a .25^{cts} chickens & some
vegetables, baked, or stewed apples from
our garden - Our "boys" are getting along
in years, to think of Paed being 45 but
he does not look it, a clean shaven &

+ full face makes him look quite young,
(with his hat on). He says one or two
persons asked him if he was a son of
Prof Draggar. Fanny is only one year younger
than Fred. The whole family, Frederic excepted
are expected home about the 3.rd Fanny's
hay fever has begun so there is no one staying
later hoping to avoid it. While on the
subject of the Asubunnies did I write you
that Frances received a \$5.00 gold piece as
a premium for a song she wrote for the
Mountain Climbers club? She adapted it
to a tune & had the pleasure of hearing
it sung by an "insurance audience" Fred
said. She also wrote a poem on her
Father's birth day - he is very proud of
both I think. Frederic went to Ames Iowa,
also to the University of Wisconsin for a
week, getting points for his work in
Florida.

I hope by this time the drought is broken

with you, we had a very hard rain last
night, after a very close, hot day, in fact
for some days. it has been very hot, &
the mosquitoes are so annoying, can't do
any thing but they are around in a swarm.
Of course we sleep under a net.

The noise of workmen on the Storrs house
breaks in on our usual quiet, it is progressing
very rapidly, I was in hopes it would be a
pretty house, but it is square & straight up
with not even a porch yet, they may have
a small one in front, only one chimney to
build as the house will be heated by a
furnace, they will have water works I hear.
Now Charles Hollins could sit and understand why
a man should build a house without
chimneys & how he could heat it from
below.

Two nights ago the brick house at Allenia
burned, that is the wooden part. One
room was used for a kitchen where the

calshaw, a quantity of green corn & okra, & a basket of small tomatoes, such
gifts help along
very much. I
hope your garden
is still doing
well & that the
children are in
their usual
good health again?
how I would like
to have a pup
at them today!
I suppose you &
Maime keep as
busy as ever,
much love to you
all
Ever devoted
Father.

fire started. The second house in about a
month that burned from the kitchen
fire. Mrs Allen is able to stand it tho'.
I had a letter from Waver yesterday, he says
he hopes to come to Ala some time but
cant say when, that like Reuben he is
"an unlucky D-". If he hasnt made
enough in all these years to come home I
am afraid he never will, seems to be
always at work tho'.

I wrote you we lost our dog Robert & had
been without one some times. Fred found a
shepherd puppy in Greensboro about two
thirds grown & sent him to us. Tell Boyie
he is a pretty yellow & white dog, his name
is Hers, he loves me so that he will lie
by my chair; (the tying up has not begun
yet -) at night he sleeps right by our room
door. Shewey (the paper says) has resigned