Dear Mama,

This has been an eventful or rather an exciting week, but I did not realize it would pass without any sending you any kind of a bulletin. The first excitement was due to the discovery of a case of scarlet fever in Beecher Hall.
There are no accommodations in the city for contagious diseases, but by dint of hard work we succeeded in finding a private family who would take the case and she was removed before there was any danger and alarm. Very few know about it, and we are all bound to secrecy for the present.

Fortunately had very little to do beyond joining in the general making of plans. We are to have temporary quarters fitted up in the old Science Hall and made ready to meet any emergency which may arise. At my request, Dr. Small has promulgated an order requiring all cases of illness to be reported at once to the Heads of Houses and for bidding students from visiting cases of illness unless au.
The illness of Mrs. Shaler has caused us much anxiety all the week and telegrams have been flying back and forth. Mrs. Palmer had engagements here and also one in Rochester next Tuesday which she felt obliged to keep. If possible she has however held herself in readiness to start east at any time. The final decision...
came yesterday and she started at 4 P.M. She says back to very surprising news. I hope you will see her soon and learn from her about President Eliot's attitude. It is not as disloyal as it seems. I should think.

Between ourselves, there is a general feeling of relief at President
Andrews’ decision not to come. President Harper says he was never asked to come as co-president. I think he was to be professor of philosophy, dean of the graduate school and vice president, chancellor or something of the sort. I fancy he exacted more than the faculty would submit to, but this is all entire nonsense.

Friday night I went to a party at the Broyles. Park Academy and last night saw the Revels in the iron masters. Their art is certainly very delightful to me.

My green dress is a great success. The hat is very stylish. The crown is made of the cloth and on the edge a little wreath I leave like the enclosed with a bit of jet. The rest of the trimming is made up of green and
black ostrich tips with choice roses the color of the scarf, Margaret Leavitt gave me.

Please tell Mr. Hill to send me Amirol, the sooner the better, as I may have occasion to use it in connection with some house talks, alias mayor meetings! We are to have I will in return send him a cent. The 1 dollars which I shall be delighted to have him put into any book.

By dear love to all

[Signature]
Thursday 1894

Dear Mamma,

Your good letters have given me much pleasure, except that I should have been glad to hear better news about Papa. I hope he is off for New York by this time. You will be interested to hear that I had a call from Mrs. Kibbs on Monday. Mrs. Peck received with me and Mrs. It staid all the
afternoon and they went home together. On the way they talked about what they could do for Kelly Hall. One of the first results was a call from Mrs. K yesterday and an offer to lay a parquetry floor in our dining room. She has other schemes and more will follow from Mrs. Peck. Mrs. Beecher and Mrs. Walker have furnished the parlors of Beecher and are going to do more and Mrs. Kelly is beginning to be ruined by she has been "spunged" so much that she feels helpless and will go slowly. Isn't it a pity to play off the old ladies against each other? But as their relatives are doing it, we can't object very much. Mrs. Peck was very enthusiastic about the reception and the way in which our guests nearly 150 in number talked and chatted and had a good time without any special entertainment. She says that unless at least a hundred or two dollars are offered
in music or elocution or something the young people in town says it was awfully stupid—nothing but talk. Our receptions are certainly a great success and we shall keep them as just in proportion as they are simple, friendly affairs without any attempt to imitate "functions" that are not in the least within our reach. A couple of the new faculty ladies I hear are going to take the social life of the university circle in hand, but we
in the Roman quadrangle are building our own courses to everybody’s satisfaction.

Sunday I went to President Harper’s lecture of which I sent a syllabus. In the evening the deans had to sit on the platform during the convocation sermon.

I have a new student, a man who graduated from some small college and has been lecturing...
He is interested in vegetarianism and the relation between man and domestic animals. This sounds as if he were a crank, but he is a quick-witted one and I shall have great fun in giving him a good basis for further study. He is quite modest in regard to his attainments as he ought to be. But I will be quick to learn.

I have had great fun with my skating. Yesterday a "cop" or...
at Beecher and to spend the night in the residence. Mrs. Wallace has invited some of the young instructors to meet there. Some of them have given money to the Loan Fund and it will be nice to have their interest.

Miss Palmer and I dined at Beecher yesterday and heard two sermons of the Beecherites. Mrs. Palmer dined with her down, discussed her down. In our hearts we shall emulate her. Here's to dear Miss Talbot for she is an angel— all but! Miss Brown thought it had a most moving sound! Dear love, Marion.
Dear Emmie,

The fox has arrived and created quite an excitement. In the evening I wore the cloak to a theatre party and now Antoinette is letting out the under arm seam of the有效that I may wear the dress to dinner, etc.

...endurance with a dressing made by four young men who had been...
my guests at dinner and who returned the attention
ly writing me, with the
four girls whom I had
asked to meet there, to
see Julia Marlows.

Much Ado about Nothing.
We had a very pleasant
time, but were nearly starved
when we returned shortly
after midnight. I sent
Antoinette and Grace on a
foraging expedition and
while they were gone Donna
Baker and Margaret Russell
helped me into the new
dress. It made a great
impression and seemed
to win the approval of everybody.
The foraging party however
was a failure. They de-
pointed nothing but baked
beans in the Aladdin
oven. I saw no objection
to making a try for those
but gave it up on this
covering a lot of loaves
of brown bread which
had not been long out
of the oven and with
which we played horse.
I am very much pleased
with the handsome and
useful gifts.

Friday evening I went
to a reception at Mrs.
Kirklands on the north side. Mrs. Conger and
Mr. Conger two of the do-
cents accompanied Mrs.
Cany and me and we
had a very jolly time
during our long cold
drive. Thursday I dined
with Mrs. Prof. Knapp and
during the week I have
made about twenty calls,
so I have been pretty so-
cially. Beat Wednesday.
Mr. Davis, Mrs. Denver's
sister in to give me a
lunchwren. Mrs. Glessner
says she never saw me
look so well, even pretty!
I have written Mrs. Foster that
Dear Papa,

Your good letter arriving last night gave me much pleasure. The copy of the Gazette contained a great many articles that were of interest to me. I am going to send to Sutherland a copy of the good pamphlet.

I was much gratified yesterday by a call from Prof. Small who urged me to request a fifty-five dollars for my special library and for a laboratory. I told him I could not take care of a laboratory unless and he said, 'I wish for an assistant. Would Miss Carey be able and willing to work into such a position?.' She is much
pleased as, though she is very happy in her present work as my errand girl. She is ambitious and would not remain contented unless she felt she were making some progress. It was pleasant for me to have Dr. Small take the trouble to give me so much encouragement. He also committed himself in favor of having dancing in the Woman's Halls, which is good as he is a Baptist and a minister. The question of forbidding it may come up, as there is a small but determined Party bitterly opposed to all such works of the Devil! "Hands off, gentlemen," is what I shall say.

Yesterday I had a unique
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Experiences. Gen. Booth, head of the Salvation Army, spoke to a big crowd of students at noon and then President Harper brought him with his staff from London and two of the Chicago officers to take luncheon with me. It gave me a good chance to study law, economics, and some of the characteristics of the movement. President Harper thinks it is doing what the theodism did a century ago and that it will more or less take up and have its work in the slums done by some other movement a few decades hence.

Friday evening I went to
the meeting of the Frosh club in its new rooms I try to be fluffed up with pride at belonging to this exclusive and fashionable society. I certainly met a great many pleasant and cordial acquaintances. The last of the evening I spent at the University College party. This afternoon I am going with some of the fellows to a concert at the University Settlement in the Esthurth yard district. The accounts of the Yale-Harvard game confirm me in my decision not to see our Thanksgiving game at the Michigan. I shall hope to hear promptly of your developments as I do not know your address.

With constant love, 

[Signature]
The Shonham House, Washington, D.C.

Nov. 27, 1917

Dear Marion,

I love you very much. I am much gratified to receive your contribution to the study of student diet, and I have read it with marked interest. I hope you

niece, who is spending the winter with me, and she is a graduate of Mills College, California. It is a subject that had never been especially attractive to me, but the importance of which I now most fully understand, and your clear statement of facts shows how much careful

nance. I hope you will continue to write to me.
Calculation, just for economy.

Vice Cooperation has been experienced in bringing about the results. Set forth in your account.

I am so glad you thought to send me the pamphlet, & I thank you always for keeping me in your memory. The war is so pleasant to see you, the clear weather, both in route to Boston, though the meeting was held at the One.

I am located here until the first of April. My plans after that, being somewhat uncertain.

Can you lend me, or have sent to me for prospectus of Winter's work?

Always faithfully,

Florence M. Bayard.
Dec. 9, 1894

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

Dear Grandma,

I have made out so many cards for 1895 that I see I am hurrying the present time along a little faster than I need. It will not be long now before I shall be with you. I shall be able to let you know in a few days exactly when you may expect me. My program for the next two days is a full one. Tomorrow is my reception day. Dr. Sarah Hackett Steverson is to receive with me and also Mrs. von Kleuze.
the mother of one of our German
staff. If the day is tolerably
fair we shall have a good
many callers. Tuesday my
program is class 10. 30 office
homs 11. 30, Mrs. Helmer and
Mrs. Crow at Luncheon, letting
for Dr. Henderson, at 3, con-
ference of heads of houses and
councillors at 5. Thursday
again will be busy as I have
my sermon in the afternoon
and then having to the North
side to two receptions one
by Mrs. Flower, the new trustee
of the State University and the
other by Mrs. John Vance
Cheney, wife of the new
Librarian of the Newberry.
By the way R. C. Flower has
at last been caught.
Yesterday I got a horse and buggy and drove out toward St. Chicago to make a call. It was a dreary scene, prairie lined with electric and railway tracks laid and forlorn houses scattered here and there but notting fine, except one glimpse of the lake, did we have.

He had an extremely interesting and lively discussion on football at the Council meeting yesterday. I suppose the papers are making the most of the material at their command.
but altho' I voted some concessions to our team enable them to go to California in the vacation, I shall be glad when the craze is over and the active interest in sports is taken some other form.

The President and Prof. Small are pleased with my, or rather Mrs. Cary's, idea of a booth. I think I shall have the laboratory. Dr. Henderson wants some lectures on municipal sanitation, but I shall not try to give them.

With much love,

Wanna
Sunday Eve.

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1894

Dear Mamma,

I am sorry that your hand is troubling you so much. Have you entirely recovered from the past illness? It would be too much to run the two troubles together. Mrs. Palmer tells me that she understood that you were to find out more about the young woman from Wellesley. She does not seem to be able to give any advice with the data she has. An application should be made to the Wellesley Students' Aid Society addressed to the College.

We are having an epidemic.
of 'jib' so called. Two of our servants in Kelly are having severe attacks - pains all over, headache, sore throat - with the new symptom of pains in the kidneys and sensations of burning in passing water. Will you ask Papa what remedies he would advise in case the trouble is really evidence? It may be staved off by taking remedies at the outset.

Mrs. Kelly has given us a handsome grand piano (Timbrell). I doubt if she does anything more for us yet awhile. I am feel.

ing disconsolate at having to lose Miss Anderson from my house. She is to take
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Mr. Wallace's place as Head of Beecher. It will be a comfort to have so good a woman there. The trustees have given me $20 to begin fitting up the provost room in the basement of Beecher Hall which I am to have for a laboratory.

I shall send you the "Outlook" from time to time. I have contributed it to our house library and will send a copy after a few days. I hope that you are receiving the Review of Reviews which I ordered sent to you.

I meant to write to Edith.
today. But I must go to bed
and have a long rest before
my hard day tomorrow.
The reception is always a
fatiguing this pleasant affair.
Difficult, fond love to all.

Marsco.
Dear Mamma,

I was mighty glad to get your letter this morning. For I was beginning to worry a little. You say nothing more about Dolly, so I hope she goes to town well. Will did not mean any special trouble. I am sorry Papa is to have the bother of changing secretaries. I am pretty busy with A.C.A. work for a few days. Next week I am to begin my weekly lectures before Dr. Henderson's big class, mostly divinity men. Saturday afternoon I am going to finish a little by going to the
theatre to see either Daly's company in Julia Marlowe with whom I had a friendly chat at Mrs. Kehlets and whom I have two invitations to meet next week.

I send you a confidential letter with comments which may interest you. Please return it.

Won't you come some day with Papa and sit by my fire? It is very all the time so you need not make an out

Your line about Smith's return is all I know about him. Have you any letters from me to see?

How I must go from the office to Kelly.

Goodbye.

Marrie
November 21, 1894.

Prof. Marian Talbot,

University of Chicago,

Chicago, Illinois,

My dear Miss Talbot:

I thank you for a copy of the recent publication "Food as a Factor in Student Life". It seems to me a very important document. We have had much literature in physiologies regarding the nutritive quality of food and there is very much superstition among the readers of old-fashioned physiologies who supposed because an article of food ranks highest in the tables as nutritious, that it follows that everybody's digestive organs will be able to get out of food the nutriment which it contains. I see that the dietaries which you have given in this pamphlet are made up on a different basis, on a basis of rational experiment I should say.

I wish I could get a list of the publications of Mrs. Ellen H. Richards on the subject of the preparation of food with a hint as to where I could purchase the same for this Bureau. I have been very much interested in the work of reducing to a pedagogical form the various branches of industrial and economic sci-
I trust you've got a copy of the recent publication "Each

An Action is Student Life". It seems to me a very important

document. We have not only information in laboratory laboratory

and instructional reports of local and state to your Tudor's

example the Chamber of QSA-Laboratory's publication and report on

each of your students' activities and work. I see the

reports which you have shown illustrate that the work I plan to

do is not as a part of the laboratory's or organ of the

laboratory. I plan to make as I carry experimental studies the same you find

in my work. I shall not want to perform the operation of lab. work

as you do. I only want a part of the laboratory's or organ of the

laboratory.
ence. Arithmetic, geography and grammar and such school studies have been reduced to a pedagogic form many hundred years, but mechanics and industry, including especially agriculture, have not yet found their proper best educational form -- agriculture least of all. Cooking schools, I think, have succeeded remarkably well in finding this "pedagogical form" as I call it. I will explain in a word that by pedagogical form I mean a division of a topic by analysis into minute steps arranged in such an order that the first one assists in acquiring the second, and also arranged in such a way that the first step is valuable if no more steps are taken, the first two steps valuable in the same way. It is not considered a good pedagogical form to make a system which requires many steps before the pupil gets anything of value.

I wish very much that you could send me another copy of this pamphlet because I wish one for the library of this Bureau and I have taken the one you sent for my personal use.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Commissioner.
Kitty Hall, Oct. 12th

Dear Papa,

This has been an exciting week. In the first place Edith and Margaret are doing things in great style. I wouldn't have had Margaret miss it for anything. She is so good and well and happy and learning at a 2.0 of rate. Saturday night our excitement converted in the gulf of my new watercolor in its exquisite gilt frame. It earned the marble clock with it and nothing remains...
but worthless fragments and my broken heart. The glass of the picture was shattered as well as a rose. But fortunately the water color was not hurt and the frame was only slightly marred. I can’t describe my feelings. You will have to imagine them.

Now comes the letter announcing that a piano has started! As I haven’t ordered any, I fancy this one is as intended for the apartment. If so, the situation is connived indeed. Edith declares an upright piano was to be use there. But I am not quite sure as the prairie would answer very well if the new one was not for me. Really, the situation when mamma heard the news must have been dramatic if the words. I will have it freighted back. But I must know before it starts on its expensive trip out from the city. I had thought of having a piano. But not until later, as I haven’t money enough to lay for it and ought to keep a little cash on hand, especially in view of possible financial troubles in the country. You can fancy we have
had a good laugh over the matter and we are awaiting the denouement with interest!

Mrs. Palmer's press today,

East things are moving on, and I must say promptly with the hope that your couple is all well and that Mama's cup was a success.

My dearest one,

Marion.
Oct. 11, 1894

5471 Kimbark Ave.

Dear Professor Bubley,

Can you recommend a dressmaker? If so, will you kindly send me her name and address?

I supposed I had one engaged, the best and handsomest dresses of in Hyde Park. She has made one coat, it is still moist; and it turns out to be the most gloriously piece of work I have ever heard done by me.

Sorry to trouble you, but I like not to repine any more.

Respectfully yours,
M. A. Her.
By dear Mamma,

It is a delight to hear of the arrangement that you succeeded in making with Mrs. Jackson. Pala writes in his good letter as if it were a great relief to him. How about the Holder, was much harm done by the intruders? One of the rooms here was entered last week while the student was sleeping and part of her clothes were carried off. It seemed probable that a sneak thief got in during the day and worked at night. The room was not locked. It is hardly necessary for us to take very energetic steps, of the means of protection which we survive.
are not used by the members of the house. I never think of leaving my room unlocked for an instant.

I have had rather a busy week so far. On Wednesday, I lunched with Mrs. Dainis and met several bright young married women. The next day a party of ladies lunched at Foster and I was invited to meet them as they came to find out about the University Settlement work with reference to transferring a fund of money to it. Friday evening my girls had quite a conference about furnishing their parlor and then adjourned to the kitchen and made corn balls and filled the store room. Yesterday I gave a baby party. Twelve grown ones with their mothers came. Paul McClintoch was three years old and wore his first 'beechies.' His little
angel cake with three candles was very cunning. There was only one child older than he. We all had a very jolly time. In the evening I went with the Beecher girls to a party at Mrs. Beecher's. Today I am having a quiet time except for dinner when I asked some girls from Foster to come to my table. We are blessed with the best possible winter weather. There is a little snow on the ground, but it is dry and hard. We have had very few high winds. On the whole I think we have fared better than you for weather.
Mrs. Wall's baby a boy came on Thursday. I believe they are doing well. I am interested in hearing about Mr. Brown.

Dr. Harper has been attached by one of the Baptist fobs to the city for some of his news on Genesis. But the world moves.

The enclosed correspondence may interest you.

I hope the boys will not overwork. I am telling just all the time to be careful. By own condition is good. I try to make my nights long.

The new clothes are a great success, thanks to you.

My dear love to Papa.

Ever fondly,

Marion.

The new Calendar will be out soon.
Dear Papa,

I wish you and Mamma could have overheard a talk I had with President Harper this morning, the first for nearly a month. He sent for me and, as you may imagine, I had plenty of things to tell him and consult him about. He then said I want to talk about you. Last spring I said we should make a change as soon as possible. Is it necessary for next year? I said "no." He seemed very grateful. I said I did not want him to think that because I replied as I did I was without aspirations and ambition, but I understood the present difficulties and...
he could count on my patience. I also said that I had thought of a possible promotion without increase of salary, but I supposed that would complicate matters. I also said that I enjoyed my work and was happy on it. He said with great warmth, "Words cannot express the satisfaction which everyone here feels about your work. We trust you and cannot Spare you." He then spoke briefly of the opportu


tunities and of the situation at Mr. Leslie. and he said he thought without undue confidence that there will be a larger field here for one than anywhere in the country. I am confident that I am right about not pinning the money matter even though you may not be. He is a man to espiate loyalty, as was shown by the way in which
He just brought up the subject, and he seems any kind of self-seeking. He shook my hand very warmly as we parted. I think considering the way I came to him when the University opened, and have had to make my own reputation here, I have reason to be abundantly satisfied and I hope you will feel so too. He arranged to have Miss Cary stay as my assistant another year. He likes her as does everyone, and she is most devoted to my interests. Poor I cannot go to a faculty meeting. With first love, Marion.
Friday evening.

Dear mamma:

What a disaster before your supper table last Sunday evening! I thought I heard a crash but couldn't quite make out what it was!!

What do you think of this for a plan: There is a very pleasant house a block from here, with a fine lawn about it, in which rooms may be had by "select" people Mr. and Mrs. Shiffert have.
lost a young daughter, their only child, at home, and have made up their minds to rent some of their rooms at moderate rents, perhaps a dollar a day. I heard of their place only this afternoon, and have just returned from seeing Mr. Shaffer. Mrs. G. is visiting us. Oregon and she is the one who makes the business arrangements. I could not see the rooms tonight, as they are temporarily occupied. There is a large room...
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over the parlor with an alcove, bedroom and a moderate sized room at the head of the stairs. I can't imagine anything pleasanter or more comfortable for you and your... and... Mrs. you come to within five minutes walk of the entrance to the Fair, three minutes from the railroad station, only a block from at least three different restaurants with great surroundings, fresh
air, and even a bit of the country; popo and Mike could make their railway trips in such a way as to avoid a crowd, and, last but not least, you would be where I could visit you much more easily and frequently than if you were in town, as in fact we could really be quite neighbourly! Please let me know by return mail if your own; what you think, and I will write to Mrs. Griffith and try and carry out your wishes.
It would be necessary for me to know the length of your stay. I cannot tell you how much I hope for many reasons that it will not be a hurried visit. The little map I enclose will show you the location; the three little crosses mark the restaurants.

This morning Lydia and I spent an hour and a half in the fairgrounds and I saw much that was new. I have been greatly impressed before...
with the beauty of the buildings, I felt their magnificence. It was more than ever. I saw Diller, Baker and Co.'s building which is most favorably situated. The instalment of exhibits has begun and I saw the first locomotive that ran into Chicago.

On the 16th I visited the exhibition of cyclamen which is almost equal to that of the primroses. The morning was glorious and we both enjoyed the long tramp very much. The week has brought
many pleasures. Monday evening on Mr. Caldwell's invitation saw Milton Barnett in "Claudian", Mrs. Hale, Mr. Miller and Mrs. Nimickoff open in. The box with us Tuesday I lunches with Mrs. J. B. Walker whose husband was for some years president of the C. B. and I. R. R. and a warm friend of Sydney Bartlett. It was a family lunch with only Margaret Nichols. Made my reception call on Mrs.
Gloves and was disappointed in not finding Dr. diet on her way at home. She lives in a great colonial house evidently built on an old house, a very plain unpretentious structure in which are the library and dining room. Wednesday we celebrated your birthday in fine style. The seminary at which the students discussed the theory that Washington and Apollo are identical was extremely clever. Thursday Margaret Nichols visited me at the
University and then dined with me. I should not have shown her this courtesy if it had not been for her seemingly real interest in the University. She is restless and unsatisfied and is thinking of taking up some studies next term. I can’t help wondering if her father is married again, perhaps the boy can tell me.

This afternoon drove around near neighborhood, etc., tomorrow morning meet a committee.
keep make out the program for the Educational Congress. Then I go to spend Sunday with Mrs. E. T. Chapin at Lake Forest. I think it will be a pleasant and restful change.

It is now ten o'clock but I have some salad and crackers and cheese to eat first. Won't you have some too?

I have had a jolly rest during this dictation, this not a copy one. I can't find out exactly about the Raymond. The Representatives have come. Dear love to Papa.

Marion.
Dear Russell,

I must send you a note this morning in return for your good letter. For I know you will be interested in some of my latest social doings. Mrs. Mit Dexter and Mrs. Mac Veagh visited us at the University on Wednesday and then came to the Bea - trice and lunches with me. I made no difference
in our meal except to put on some raspberry preserve. Mrs. Harper had just sent me and my tea kettle. Mrs. MacLeagh sat at my right and told me I brewed a delicious cup of tea! It was certainly better than that she gave me, till Papa. He were late so the girls had all left the dining room and the only other people I had were Mrs. Palmer, Mr. Laughton and his baby who relieved me by serving as she usually does. I had to dress it.

meatly after luncheon but the ladies stand quite a while and seemed to enjoy themselves. Mrs. Dexter was especially interested in her signatures about you. When she came into the room she exclaimed 'there's dear Tom Alrick, what a good picture!' Before they left Margaret Nichols of Brooklyn called with her host Mrs. Walker, and there came a steady stream of about seventy, including a deaf French Canadian who couldn't
speak much English! He had a very successful afternoon. Last night Mrs. Palmer started for home stopping over a couple of days at New Arbon.

We are having a great debate in the Faculty on a proposition to have one word of requirements for admission without Latin! Prof. von Holst showed us some oratorical fireworks yesterday. His commen
tation is at times very funny especially when he says...
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[Signature]
But he is just great!

Let Mr. Palmer tell you about it, even if it is a

faculty secret.

I am delighted to hear

this. I think that your

tea was a success. I

knew it would be.

I hope Papa can secure

those 200 registers for

me. I am lost without

them. With dear love

Dorothy

R.B., West Ceylon.
Friday Morning

Dear Mamma,

I have held my breath as your bulletins have come with thoughtful frequency. It is needless to say how relieved I feel that all is well.

I send you some papers which will show that I have been busy. The communication to Mrs.
Harker must be strictly confidential. He told me of the financial strain the University is under expressed his appreciation of my work etc. very cordially and asked me to think the matter over. I do not know what this next step will be.

I have just ordered the plate for an invitation to a party Feb. 6, in honor of the Palmers. It will be practically a farewell as far as the University is concerned and it seems fitting for me to play hostess Saturday I am to dine with Mrs. Mil. Smith and decide on some matters in connection with the sanitary inspection of the schools under the direction of the Civic Federation. It is work for my graduate student.
Mrs. Clark. Later I take a party to the Regency's box at the Thomas concert.
Now to my class. The clothes must be fine.

Lovingly,

Marion.
The University of Chicago

WILLIAM R. HARPER, President

Cambridge, Mass.

Monday morning

Frank Marion,

If I did in fact a

copy of these figures with you the

afternoon I came away with whom

and I leave there? That is a puzzle

I will not try to explain back here

My another copy will have on known

of your earliest arrival.

I have been in the work of the team

with-threading with a cold and

more. One up again today and

shall go to work again. Mr.

Richards tells me she has cash

a check like the one I

got this morning with plans

for our homekeeping. When

we get the plan. We will

to own everything we detail. Do

with all your correspondence and

suggestions.

I will, Mrs. Harper. Some
tration place for such concerts
thing now. If he gives them
any attention, perhaps he will talk
with you. I hope he will.
I got the flowers very irregularly
and put all of them into a great
jar from the time to now. Do
tell me when the vote comes in.
Faculty meeting, what the result is.
I long to hear how large a vote
Mrs. Chesnut has got.
And tell me how your do
yourself. By the way, that my
intended letter which I had sent
for your reservation I thank
you for your committee not came
nor our invitation to speak.
Not knowing your free address
They made their letter.
I had a good wish to your
mother who was looking very
well. Always yours
R. F. P.
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WILLIAM R. HARPER, President

Chicago
Sunday Eve.

The University of Chicago.

Dear Mamma,

I hope you have had a happy day.

My thoughts have been with you almost constantly, in spite of the many excitement which the day has brought us. The news of the murder was followed closely by the excitement of the fire at the Raymond...
I feared the Stales might be in danger, so some of the girls went with me to see if we could be of any help. It looked as if the whole building must go, but there is now very little sign of damage from the street side. The whole house must have been filled with smoke as the wind was from the north and the fire was in the extension.

Automous and I took a long walk and then I had a call from Mrs. E. C. Pecking called! The piano did not come yesterday, as I expected, tho' I had already paid all the charges of $16.60. I made the arrangements at the office so I shall not have to go to the man to whom Mr. Mason wrote.
I will send a check for $400 when my next pay comes in and think I can pay the balance in January.

I am very sorry to hear that Papa’s cough continues and that you are feeling the effects of your hard strain.

Do take care of yourselves, since I can’t be with you to look out for you!

My constant love,

Marion
My dear Min Talbot

Your letter was just with me. I was leaving Fort Woods Hall yesterday morning with Mr. Cushing for our annual inspection. This evening is the first moment I have had. I am still here driven to find I had an appointment with Mr. Henry Burrage of Brooklyn who is intended in the Lookout Mt. Hotel in the Dome Railway. Father echur ask your Father if he knew anything about him.

He has started a lunch train which seems all square as if it could travel about.
The New England Kitchen. - Mr. Wentworth.

This means a good deal - I've had a two hours talk - He is to meet Miss Wentworth in Friday & then - brux can be talked.

Tell your father that Miss Teller your father has been the Boland who has been the cooking teacher at John Hopkins. His will be here at the Hospital will be here at the Hospital during the coming year. It.

Just this coming year - it.

Now as to the University work - here are some points.

If we sell out the Kitchen
Then we may be some help library.
If we do not we must
Scan closely the country.
I have heard nothing from the University - it is necessary for me to know whom of the men are to have the charge of seeing that the work is done, through whom Mr. Danill & I can order things - for the work should be started at once & some one like one of those men you asked to meet me should look out for the University Wins. I will send Mrs. Wentworth out & begin long before plan - I cannot go yet -

The Rumpud Kitchen is great success.
As to business—I have had a talk with Genl. Walker & while at first he said I should not do it—if I should kill myself—he at last consented—for your sake I think—

This is the condition—I may be the adm. of the affair I may accept my expenses when I go out on business & if I think best a fee for expert advice but I am to accept nothing in the way of a salary from the University or to allow myself in any way connected with them except as an expert or adm.
If there is to be any statement made in print, it is to be the effect that the arrangements will be those which have proved so successful at the N.C. Kitten and at the Pup Kitten at the World's Fair and that Mrs. Daniels, who so successfully managed the R.H. will have charge with the advice of Mr. Richards and Mrs. Aibel as a guaranty that the same methods will be followed—of course such statement.
published statement must not
state that I am in charge
for that would visibly
reside.
I think that this is quite
fair & as it should be.
It is what I meant.

When I said I wanted
control I think you un-
nerstood that I wanted to
be able to secure the help
without waiting for retake
of I say what should
be in different cases.

Now do you want Miss Corey
If so she should know at once.
I can have the English woman
& I like her very much.

Yours, Ellen A. Richards.
Thursday Eve.

Dear Mamma,

Your letter was a great relief to me, it had seemed so long since I left home and I was beginning to worry about you. The news about the rye is exciting. I enclose a check for $75. If the rye come by express I shall see them soon. I suppose I have been laid up for
recently two days with a
sick headache and in
fluenza, but am nearly
well again. I have
matriculated 115 under
graduate women. There
are 102 in our three
halls and everything
is prospering, in spite
of the fact that we
still have only one
dining room. Mrs.
Richards and Miss
Mentworth are working
like troopers, proving as
not many dishes at a
meal, but everything
choice. We have some
very pretty new dishes
and table furnishings.
Mrs. Palmer is to give
a tea to the graduates
at Beecher on Saturday.
I have bought a lot of
plants, which will go
there first.
Antoinette is a treasure.
She took very tender
care of me yesterday.
The poor child is having
tumble with her eyes —
preserved lids I suppose.
She went to the oculists
today. I don't know
how serious the trouble
is. If you will let
me have Janet's name
I will send her the plates.
We have a fine set of
new women. I shall
be glad to have Edith
see them intimately.
Dry dear 
and hope
that you are getting rested.
Mannor.
Dear Maamma,

I hope you are having milder weather, for it was indeed hard on the nerves to have so much bitter cold. My face is better but was still swollen a little last night and I was glad to find that Mrs. Durgee would not be sorely disappointed to give up the reception by Dr. Sarah Hackett Stevenson to the new Vice-Presidnet. I intended to go to bed right early, but was not very successful. I gave up my parlor to Miss Emmeloff, a Vassar graduate and one of our very nice girls who had a caller when
the little public rooms were occupied. Then I had to see a delegation who came to write me to chaperone a party of young ladies at a little company to be given by the young men! I stipulated that they should all be back by 11 P.M. and that the provisions to have card games should be put up. I am playing the ogre, finally! But we have to be careful. Sunday evening some couples were shooing away in different corners after the chapel exercises were over and I had to tell the girls next day that I was unsatisfied to have Mrs. Palmer see anything as 'country.'
The University of Chicago.

My son at the Peabody! I think it fetched 'em! Tonight I go to the presides' to a reception for the Palms. Tomorrow is my day. Mr. & Mrs. Adams come to dinner with me and then go to the Hales. Mr.

A is the new Harvard overseer and Mrs. A. is the daughter of Mrs. Foster, who lives Foster Hall. She will bring the plans to show the plans. I shall ask the Palms and other special people to come to my table but shall not make any other special arrangements. Thursday comes.
Students' party as I have written and a bore it will be.

Yesterday I had a lively time moving three piles out of the apartment where the measles is. One I sent home and the change of rooms for the others went much talk with many people, but everybody was obliging. Mr. Wash seems to be doing well.

I hope Edith will get a good start on her journey.

My love to all.

Farewell.
Chicago 1893

Sunday

Dear Gramma,

What a long time since my last letter! I have been especially busy advising girls about their studies for the new term. Yesterday I went to the Smith alumnal meeting and a Thomas concert. The other excitements have been chiefly faculty and council meetings. Today I have had long discussions (after going to a Unitarian church) with some of the women in the house. We have sent in to be the trustees a careful statement of the...
defects in the heating and lighting and of the little jobs not regard to locks, doors etc. which need to be done. We have also talked dressing association. The twelves have voted to put the whole matter into the hands of the students. Our women will not undertake it unless they can have full authority and be independent of the university steward. They are to submit their plan to the president tomorrow or Tuesday.

I have had as a guest at my table today Miss Cooke the daughter of Dr. B. J. Cooke. I am constantly running across people who know of Papa. Isn't it strange!

Antoinette's mother came to visit her daughter this week. Antoinette returned from seeing her, full of excitement and delight. Her mother had heard Prof. Seymour of Yale say that it was an education for any girl to be with Miss Talbot! Antoinette was so pleased with Prof. Seymour's discriminating judgment that she has hardly recovered yet from her delight!! I have not seen Mrs. Cary yet. Antoinette is doing a lot of A.C.A. writing for me. Besides helping me
and putting me in countless ways.

I thought a great deal about you on train. One you may be one. I hope it all went off well.

I had not heard of Dr. M. Wood's illness. Was it long and what becomes of his family? Hela wrote me that she was to be here one day and the next morning. But I could not see her and didn't even have time to write.

Don't think I worry. I sometimes think I ought to set a little more.

My dear love to all.

Is Russell on the crew? Marcon.
Sat. Nov 21

Dear Gramma,

I did not return to just the quiet I ex-
pected tho the welcome
I received was surpris-
ingly warm. I missed
a lot of fun at the
Hallow.Een party. The
girls draped their sheets
and fellow cases as
caps and poxns and
the effect was charm-
ing. I am told.
My attention has been absorbed by one of my maids who, calmy and 
ammonstrous on my return that she had 
diphtheria! It resolved 
itself into hysteria, and in two 
days she was worse out of the house. She 
other matter which 
required much time 
and skill was the 
housekeeping. Reports 
had reached Mrs. Parker
foundation is fact and the general verdict from the home is most encouraging. Some women at a table of ten report that they are in distinctly better health than when they came; the other is as well as usual. One of my girls has gained 11 lbs. another 14 since the cause. I spent an hour pleasantly at Mrs. Cooley's beautiful home last evening and now go for a little to the G.A.A. Club.

Dear [Name],
Monday, Nov.

Dear Gramma,

Don't you think we have a stupid arrangement of mails way out here in the country. — there is no collection after 9 a.m. on Sunday of all days.

On Saturday I went with Mrs. Farber to Hooleys (of which she is half owner) to see Joseph Munley in 'The Merry Go Round.' She is the wealthy woman (phone her) and is said to have a very shady reputation, who was very polite to me the
night of the Trustees' reception and offered me money for an aid fund for women. I was rather relieved to have her send me the enclosed Mrs. Hole note. Now I shall have to manage with some skill her propositions to hold a public entertainment, possibly in the theater! On my return I found I had missed a call from Mrs. J. S. Mitchell who had left an invitation for me to drive with them on Sunday. Fortunately I could go, and I had a very good time with just their family. This was pretty tired when I returned. I had a warm welcome at supper. Margaret Russell from Kansas said "it seems right queer when you are away. Miss Talbot, just as it is at home when mamma is away?" After supper a lot of pills came into my room for a little while and we ate peanuts and dates till it was time to go to the Christian Union meeting. The service was led by Mr. Langlieue who offered a very beautiful and unusual prayer, and Mrs. Harper spoke of the prepared work of the service. The music was good and all.
thus we enjoyed the scene much better than the regular prayer meeting kind.

On Saturday I missed calls from Mr. B. Bentley Walker and Mrs. R. Armour, daughter of the Dr. Cobb for whom our principal hall is named. I shall try and see them soon.

I told Bessie Meredith that I was becoming a good Capman in the matter of wearing dirty shoes. She said oh, that's fashionable, it seems like as if you weren't used to shoes if you have no clean shoes. My thick coat and hat for my brown suit have come and are a success.

Dearest love to all from Marion.
Dec. 16, '93.

Prairie College.
Kaukauna, Wis.
President's Office.

Dear Miss Talbot,

I have a question to ask you that from obvious reasons I would wish to have regarded confidential. Miss Stant is the subject of it.

Miss Salmon has broken down, has been in bed for weeks, quiet, peaceful, but very weak. When she gets up she will go away, and must have leave of absence for this year. She suggested Miss Stant as a possible supply, as she can do the work thoroughly well, and would be satisfied by her.

I know Miss C., respect her, estimate her highly for all she has done and overcome, but I should not choose her for a permanent place here—unless my mind is radically changed by evidence. I do not hesitate about calling her for half a year, even, but I appreciate that she may have greatly improved in her manner, and lost some of the extreme nervousness which I charged fear to put against the students. It occurred to me that you might advise me as to this, as to her impressions she now makes on people, as to your own estimate of her, and if Miss Salmon is nearer right than June and...
Don't at least try to gratify her. I want her to have absolute rest. It is a hard lesson to learn, this necessity, but we have all suffered the result that has come, all but the invalid herself. You hard-working women all need some such a warning, I am afraid.

I am sorry it troubled you. A few lines will suffice.

We have had a delightful visit from Miss Clarke.

Sincerely, Jane J. Taylor.
December 20th, 1893.

Miss Talbot,

I thank you very cordially for your letter. It is just what I want, and it settles the matter definitely and entirely in the direction of my own previous feelings. I thank you for your offer of assistance. If you yourself will come and reside with us from the first of February, or even from the fourth of January, until the summer, I shall be satisfied, but as I know that that is out of the question I can only say that I am at present entirely at sea, though I shall work my way out, I trust, within a few days. I am considering very seriously whether it is worth while for me to attempt to provide an elective in the second semester Senior for a few students, considering the chances always present of an insufficient meeting of our need. Of course it is no easy thing to do to come in in that way, for a limited time. I am at present rather inclined to give up the matter, though I find that there is a class of a dozen or fifteen who would like to go on even with the uncertainties. The History must be English or American, - the former, please.

I think now that Miss Salmon will have leave of absence for the entire year, and that if she gets strong enough after a little rest she will perhaps go to Italy; such at least is her desire, though I do not know that it will bear talking of excepting among her intimate friends, as yet.

Cordially thankful to you for the kindness and frankness of your letter, I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Dictated)

[Signature]
December 26th, 1893.

Dear Miss Talbot;

I had thought of Miss Scofield, and I think very favorably of her as a scholar. She was a good strong student in her College days, and I think her year abroad after her graduation, which was spent, I believe, chiefly at one of the English universities, did a great deal for her socially. I have thought more favorably of her than of any other young person, but I am strongly inclined to think that, considering the fact that all the Seniors have withdrawn from the election in History since I told them of Miss Salmon's illness and contemplated absence, with the exception of about fifteen, we shall be wise to take no risks, and to urge the fifteen into some other lines of work which we know we can offer well. We are perfectly willing to take the trouble, and to spend the money, but you know what a risk there is in taking a recent graduate for work of the advanced kind which Miss Salmon has been doing with the Senior class. I greatly fear that it would be a trial for a young teacher to which it would be unwise to subject her. But I thank you for your letter. I shall keep her in mind in case we change our mind in the matter, for it may seem best for the Trustees to make some provision even for the small number referred to. I have said nothing to Miss Salmon yet, but I expect to see her this afternoon. She is still in bed, and her voice is of the weakest, though otherwise she seems comfortable.

With cordial wishes for a Happy New Year, I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Dictated)
November 26, 1893.

Dear Mamma,

It has been a long long time since I have written, partly because I have been pretty busy and partly because I haven't been much in the mood for it, although I have had plenty of things to write about.

A week ago last night I invited four men to dine with me, and as many girls. After dinner we had some dancing, and then Mr. Raycroft read the chapter about the Yale-Harvard foot-ball game from Robert Grant's "Opinions of a Philosopher". During the evening I lost my voice and for two days was kept in my room and in bed most of the time by my special police! For two days more I didn't go out because the weather was so bad, but the girls came here to arrange about their courses for the new quarter. Since then I have had to give a good deal of time to the work of registration, which will not be over until the
end of this week.

We have had some House meetings, which have given me a good deal to think about, inasmuch as the question of self government was under discussion. The whole affair was very interesting, and I shall have a long tale to tell you about it when I get home.

Last night the girls gave an immensely successful dime museum under the direction of Antoinette, and cleared forty dollars for the Kelly House furniture fund. Several of the Faculty came, and seemed to enjoy the grinds on them in the Faculty Gallery (one of the side shows). Bessie Messick was a dancing darkey, and took in four dollars in her nickel-in-the-slot box. Four dollars worth of popcorn was sold, and everybody had a good time in all kinds of ways. Mr. Stagg was showman. It was a good thing for the House, as it brought everybody together in a common interest.

The excitement today is the news that Miss Reynolds' rooms were entered last night, and clothes and other valuables taken. Last week she had a watch stolen. A few days ago Bessie Messick had her locked bureau drawer opened and money and jewelry taken.

There have been other thefts both in Foster and Kelly, of a mysterious kind, as in every case the property has been carefully concealed. Miss Reynolds and I are just starting to see the President and ask for more police protection. Our outside doors are kept closed now, and we have hall girls who can give most of their time to looking out for their special duties.

Yesterday our girl Nellie had a bout with a man delivering goods from Marshall Field's. He was part way up stairs, having slipped in through the door which was unlatched. She told him that men were not allowed up stairs, and found that the bundle was for me. Ten minutes later he slipped in again and got part way up, giving as his excuse that he wanted a drink of water. Everybody says that we are going to have a good deal of trouble throughout the city because there are so many unemployed.

I have had invitations for Thanksgiving dinner from Mrs. Glessner and Mrs. Merriman, besides May Hunting, and an invitation to a party at Beecher Hall in the evening. But I shall stay by the ship.
Next Tuesday I am to dine at the Hutchinson's.
The Ryersons are to go to Egypt soon, for the winter.
Have you seen anything about my sealskin? If it can be renovated, I shall count on using it as trimming for the new winter suit which I must get when I go home Christmas.

It is delightful to hear about your successful reception. Everybody seemed to have a good time.

Goodbye now with my fond love.

Yours,
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...interesting as I saw them raised at noon on May 1. The work of destruction has begun. I shall not go into the grounds again.

He had a very successful celebration of Halloween in which everybody took part. Foster Hall dressed up...
to represent the House and had a candy ball. We had dancing and games, and Beecher tried charades. James and candy.

Fritz v. Breen called last evening at half past nine, but I couldn't see him. I was sorry. What is happening? My dearest love to all.

Marion.
Nov. 2, 1893

Dear [Name],

My check has just come and I am very glad to send a part of it on to you immediately. The pianos are here and is a delight. I am using it very moderately at present, but I expect to take great pleasure in it. I am still too busy.
Miss Alice Fletcher is to take lunch with me tomorrow and I have invited Mr. Williams and his brother, who have charge of the University Museum, to dine with me. She has invited Mrs. Richards. They shall bring some more books. I am beginning to have a little sense of leisure; each day brings its special engagements. On Monday I went to
the Fair. The great war
in marked contrast to the
expected celebration. I
was on the roof of the
Manufacturers Building
when the entire set guns
were fired and the flags
were lowered for the last
time. They had all been
at half mast. It was
thrilling to see these
raised to full mast
for a second and
then all lowered to
gether. It was factice.
Dear Papa and Mamma,

The time for the birthday and wedding day is approaching and I can be with you only in spirit. I feel so specially happy that Edith is with you in safety. For the recent railway accidents have been appalling. I enjoyed her visit very much and managed to go.
with her to the Fair more than I had thought would be possible. She and Margaret are model sight-seers and writers. I hope they did not do too much.

I am taking life easier this week, the Fair still tempts. I had breakfast in bed this morning antipast

presided it and then said so to go, green?

I told her she should say does it please your majesty to break.

just in bed," but she declared hers was the real Chicago way of saying it. I was tempted partly because it was to be the first of five meals we must take in Foster Hall, while the men are fanning over dining room floor.

Workmen are also laying a parquet floor in the boudoir and if my frame is delivered before the
house piano, as seems probable, I will put it in the parlor and give the piano a chance to

dance. I saw the Mason

Hamlin men on Monday
and they agreed to move
the piano out and put it in order. The notice

of its arrivals came two
days ago, so I was ex-

pecting it here very soon.

It will help us out with

our Hallowe'en party

for the Steinway grand

which is to be loaned to
The University of Chicago.

...us may be delayed a little Autonette and I were a good deal worried on Monday about Edith and Margaret. Several pills were ill on Sunday night three of them acutely so. There was evidently some trouble with the food and we feared it might be the motion of which there was a good supply in Edith's lunch box. There
I am distressed to hear that Papa's cough still keeps up. Don't be so anxious. Could it be a change of air?

I am pleased to hear that you have a competent servant.

What is Janet's address?

I haven't sent the photograph yet.

My love to the boys who I hope are well.

Ever affectionately,

[Signature]
Dear Grandmama,

They have all come — rugs and relatives, and I am very happy. The rugs are perfect and I am taking great comfort in them. Edith and Marion were late and hot. A cold rain struck us just after they came and they are cooled off now. We had a great time in the Pleasure and I was glad to have Edith see the wonders of the Palmer Palace under such favorable conditions. The splendor did not seem to concern the real ring of hospitality on the part of Mr. and Mrs. Palmers.
We are all in a fog, but I shall let my visitors see the Fair this afternoon. I am sorry that the first view cannot be better. Margaret see about all there is — you may be sure she will not have to study much more geography after she has really done the Fair. The Wheel is a marvel to us all. The illuminations at night give it a touch of the supernatural.

Monday was great. I went in for a time with Miss Wallace. The crowd was a sight. We could see nothing more. We have organized our homes successfully and happily. The Heads are very enthusiastic.

Tomorrow I join tea at Mr. Laughlin's and Mrs. Morris's reception. I hope Papa is getting on his cough. My love to Uncle and you always. Marion.
Your letter did not get mailed very promptly yesterday. I took it into the Fair grounds and didn't find a box until after the last collection had been made. Antoinette and I had a very good time after our busy day getting settled. You see we must have put our affairs into pretty good shape or the typewriter would not have been cleaned up and be running so smoothly to-day. We went first to some of the foreign shops in the Plaisance which I had not seen, and a good deal to my surprise, I suddenly found myself the purchaser of something that I am sure will please you, viz., a Turkish sleeveless jacket embroidered in silver. It is a pale pearl tint, but looks white in the evening. I bought it to make up with my blue crepe dress, and I think I shall have a very effective costume at comparatively little cost, for the jacket cost only eighteen dollars, which seemed to me a remarkably low price.

We went through the Electrical Building, which I had hardly seen before at night. It was thronged with people, as were all the special places of interest, though we did not get into any crush, except when we tried to get out onto the Lake Front to see the fire works, and yet there were more than two hundred thousand people in the grounds.

I am having an idle quiet day, and begin work tomorrow. Mrs. Palmer is staying at the Spragues where I also have been invited to go. She made me a long call this morning and we agreed upon our plan of campaign. She has raised a little money, and tomorrow morning I select colors for the walls of the halls and public rooms of Beecher and Kelly. The gas stoves and other cooking utensils
have come, Miss Wentworth has ordered groceries etc., the dishes will soon be here from Briggs, and the outlook is good if we are patient and tactful with the men who are burdened with many cares which seem heavier than our special interests.

An appropriation of thirteen hundred dollars has been made, and Mrs. Palmer will make it go as far as possible in fitting up the women's Halls.

Mrs. Wilmarth, whom I think you will remember as a lady of wealth interested in education, living at the Auditorium, came to see me yesterday about having her daughter enter the University and take a suite of rooms in one of the Halls.

I have been expecting Miss Collamore all day, but she is either too tired or too frightened by the clouds and showers to come.

What do you think about the rug? I enclose a sample of my draperies, so that if you buy one you can avoid any shade of blue that will not harmonize. I also send a sample of the color on the walls, which I think would make it necessary to avoid much red. Do you think it would be possible to get a cheaper rug, but a fairly good one, not over five feet wide and at least eight feet long, suitable for my bed room? If you feel pressed with work and not up to going to a rug sale don't bother about the matter. I can make my purchases here, but I shall have to have something pretty soon.

Miss Collamore has been in since I wrote about her, and made a pleasant call. I meant to have arranged about starting the boxes of freight, but I shall not feel really settled till they come.

I am in good condition and happy and looking forward with interest to the developments of the week.

Even with fond love to all.

Mrs. Wilmarth has just started up for the first time since I came.
Kelly Hall
Oct. 1, 1893

Dear Hamma,

Another week has gone by and brought with it many improvements which have come to stay. Personally I am very comfortable, although not quite settled. My mantel is in and a beauty it is. The floor is laid and will be filled and waxed tomorrow.

I have bought an easy chair to go in the window, a wall cup board for the
bath room, duch curtains, and have ordered a handsome frame for my watercolor. With my books and my, I shall have a very pretty and attractive suite. The house reception room is fairly well fitted up. The ballot halls have been painted and we are gradually progressing toward some degree of finish. Mrs. Richardson is a jewel and Mrs. Westworth another. They are at work in the kitchen of Kelly and all the girls have their meals here for a while. Foster will be ready in a few days, and the girls who engaged rooms there are quartered temporarily in Reacher and Kelly. We haven't many servants yet, but have a few good ones. The two English girls came today and are very agreeable as well as fine looking. They take hold better than could be expected. We have an exceedingly good lot of women on the whole. I am busy registering.
them and will not be through before the middle
of the week. Tomorrow
after several hours in the
office, with the other deans
I gave a tea to the incoming
students. Antoinette
has taken full charge of
the tea tables which is a
great relief to Mrs. Palmer
and me, especially as we
have to appear in our
full regalia at the Con
vocation in the evening.
I am afraid you have
had a hard time with your
morn, so I hope you won't
feel obliged to do anything
about the rug. But you will certainly be very cozy when you are settled. The office must be more and more satisfactory every day. Will you ask Edith if she has room in her trunk to put in a pair of these blankets, so I can sit up only one bed. I can get some blankets cheap if she has room. If she can arrange to stay more than a week, I hope she will, so I can
This Annie Allen some other way.

My dear how to you all. It is a comfort to think if the quiet and peace of those sweet weeks at Holderness. It was all just what I most wanted and I appreciated it more than I said.

Sincerely always,

[Signatures]
Dear Miss Tubbs:

I take this occasion of Miss Handy's going to the University of Chicago to introduce her to you, and to express the satisfaction I feel that an excellent student of mine is to have an opportunity to continue her studies under the influences which leave us in no doubt as to Chicago's place among the great universities of this country.

Very truly yours,

Bernard Moore
Boston, July 9, 1893.

My dear Mallow:

I just got a glimpse of your letter which Archbishop forwarded from Philadelphia at the last moment. Your mother detached a laudatory word and asked me to recommend with your letter to Edith, but after you had seen I could find nothing of your letter itself to read myself or to send to Edith. I suspect she must have carried it in her pocket. I am glad to hear of your successful trip to Washington and hope when the A.C.A. is over you will feel ready for a season of rest.
Which is not always well proofed in good measure. There is nothing going on here this year about the general growth which is supposed to be going on. The trees are really new, the roses are never so plentiful. The strawberries were to many on too large a scale, and the other fruits and flowers have a similar report. To prepare yourself for quiet parts when I get that time and about the first day of Aug. I expect on Tuesday. I am getting my work well in hand here. My College book is nearly ready for the trade. My need office are nearly ready to move into. We found that a Marquetry or then oak floor was as cheap as a carpet.

And had one put down on the reception and Wells' best room. His Electrically room being covered with linoleum. I just thought to try my office floor stained, but the others looked so nice that I have had mine done like this and it will be finished by Tuesday. Then I shall gradually move my things over there and feel that many? them will get admiring from home to this. I shall get every thing more and see my patient here on Tuesday in August. We have the lease of the house by the middle of Sept. Can get in there in time to wholly vacate here by Oct. 1st. It makes a letter.
work to change the best
there are advantages in
getting rid of a lot of old
unreliable material and we
can then live in a more
reliable manner.
and I think with great relief
to your mother and more
comfort to me.

You will have quite a chance
to see affairs here before you
return, but I need you a
special place of the officers
which will show me sore
measure how we shall be
situated. I write lots of way
longing to see you.

I am affectionately
Papa
Believe July 7th 93

My dear daughter,

As Janet has to take

the flat steps, we have just

been out to the museum.

To dine, come back to dinner

on the Plains, where one

now quaffs alcohol and

blue beautiful. I shall for

H-lomonord with a young

girl to cook. Who will

recommend, and a Trade

man. and on Monday I

shall expect June 1st to keep
We convey our best wishes.

Sincerely,

Wish to convey to you that I am well.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Date]
Madam, a clock—Once I melt
I must make my own case. On
The contrary, have less. Our
friends are our better Con-
ostion now for a long time
and will be. Here Chill
—Here. You can only be
grateful and happy that
life at our age still looks
so attractive. All in want
now is your shout—Please
let us have it—soon. You
Father will be here. Tell all
let us have it—here. And when
men come—Ex-cw-here. And then
go 15 H—from here. Reol 11
to me at all. One mouth o
now. We must contenue & happy.
Boston, July 7, 1893.

My dear Mariee:

The ups & downs of life do not seem to prove fatal to any of us though they take your mother up & down fully as much as they do the Thermometer. One day in bed tell moore the next up with the lack. She has perhaps told you of Margaret's visit today and Edette has told you of this story where every thing looks bright for a pleasant visit.

Your cheek came yesterday and I took the bill at this pay & did have the forms crisset as well as this put on and the balance made I wish I had a flush one so that I could
dand the whole bill receipts but I am getting on very well with my bills and think I can see daylight in that direction with warmest love ever your own——Papa.
Boston University,  
PRESIDENT’S OFFICE, 12 SOMERSET STREET. 

Boston, June 14, 1893.

Dear Miss Talbot: 

At the regular meeting of the Trustees last Wednesday (Commencement Day) I was by formal vote requested to express to you the fact that your services as a Trustee of Boston have been ever highly esteemed, and that it is with much reluctance that your resignation has been accepted.

In a more personal and informal way, I may add that...
we are unwilling that the representation of women upon the Board should suffer reduction and that Professor Emerson of Wellesley was chosen to fill the vacancy created by your retirement. Wishing you a pleasant vacation as ever yours faithfully W. F. Warren.

P.S. And for a change of Secretaries you could have had earlier notification of the action.