

He needs to make a thoroughly good record in college to make it worth while to come at all. Possibly to learn re-touching and go into the business college at the same time, would be a quick & practical way to get where he could earn money. I wish you were better at accounts and that sort of thing. A business man would be ever so ^{much} more useful to know well, business methods, and accurate ways, and to write a good hand. Just as an education for business don't you think it might pay Selena to do it? I don't want him to give up the ambition to eventually earn his B.A. in some good institution, and the business course without stenography is short, and yet valuable. What do you think? But won't the ticket back here be high? How much? No more tonight, but much love from S.H. Sta. ca.

Helene Ohio

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My dear Will:-

This is your birthday, & Eveline and I have spoken of it a number of times today. I hope you have had a good Sabbath. I thought of you, with a prayer for the day. It is such a comfort to have that ray of reaching you, when otherwise you would seem so impossible for me to touch. May you be kept from evil - physical, but above all spiritual. He sent you a couple of birthday cards, but so reduced in money! but not reduced in affection. I wrote to Coraue May Post asking her to loan me two hundred dollars. It takes her always so long

Write a letter that almost in de-
position I went to the bank, and
got one hundred dollars of the
money that was put to our account
on the mortgage, and paid some
business debts. I had no difficulty
in getting the money, but I was
very reluctant to do so, because
it will be so hard to replace it
in the Spring for you says. The
next day a letter came from Annie
Mary with the draft for two hun-
dred dollars. It is a shame, you
understand, and I told her we
could not pay it back this year,
but might be able to do so next
year. This will enable me to pay
every thing I owe at present. The
time for selling the house this year
has past, and I am very glad
we could not sell it, as Mary is to
have this position in place of me.

Can live at home. Westlake speaks
Mary come for the year & study kind
perhaps will live with us. She can
not come until Oct. first. And
another kindergartner girl is to stand
with us, coming tomorrow - pays \$5
a week, and has paid the weeks
ahead already. Katie Taylor wants
to come if she can come alone, for
\$4.50 a week. There is a possibility
Mr. Fittens' son from Bridgeton
N.J. may come. There, and some
other kids out, will probably get
us somebody for some if not one
of our own. Tom and Helen's
last letters make me doubt the
coming now for college work, but
if you do think it wise for him to
come home & learn re-reading, that
may be a good thing to do. But
I do not think it is worthwhile
to come here for only one semester,
and try to do other things too.