

250 Bement Av,  
W. H. Brighton  
Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> 1907

Did you get a  
valentine

My dear Ellen

I am writing  
to you for I have a very  
important confession  
to make to you. Several  
days ago your mother  
sent several letters of  
your brother's <sup>for us</sup> bills & read  
and then asked me to read  
them on to you, you.

Aunt Caroline had read them  
aloud to us Uncle George Mary  
Whitcomb & myself. They were very  
interesting and we were all so  
glad to know something of his  
life in Washington, what he was  
doing and studying, what his  
prospects were how he intended  
or thought of several plans for  
spending his vacation next summer  
and so on. They were extremely  
interesting in all thoughts. The  
next morning when I came  
down stairs I looked on the  
Table for them but could not  
see them, after breakfast and  
ever since I have been looking  
for them, over and over, every where  
but no letters. What seemed strange  
was that the enclosed packet  
was where the letter ought to have

beans and that is all  
that I hear of the  
precious budget, Aunt  
Cassie says we will  
certainly come across  
them but I hardly think  
so. Ethel says she did  
not see them so what  
mystery there is about  
them is yet unsolved,  
if we should ever get  
them you will be sure

to receive them by  
first mail there after

The folks here all goes  
to some church esta-  
blishment, I am here  
alone. Wish you was  
here and how I wish  
to bed. My eyes seem  
to be going out & I cannot  
read in the evenings, which  
is a great sorrow to me  
but then I have had the

God night!  
I send you  
love

use of them so many years I  
cannot but be thankful, tho'  
I trust. They <sup>were</sup> ~~imperson~~ after a while  
I used to say when the folks  
went out. that if I had a book  
I would never get lonely  
but now! I am so glad to hear  
that your dear mother really  
seems to be improving. slow of  
course, but with care I believe  
she will be a hearty old woman  
I do hope she won't over-do

Aunt Mary brought me to God  
last Saturday and it seems as  
if I had hardly been away tho'  
in reality it is over six months  
I suppose you are very busy  
I hope you will not stay in this  
nunnery another year. Certainly

your reputation as teacher  
must, now, be established

Many wants you so much  
Mary Whelan is studying  
pretty hard and with her  
lessons for drawing, basket-  
ball - & she is kept pretty  
busy. She, like the rest  
of my grand children  
is lovely, bright & pretty  
She has a little poem to recite  
this evening, We are all well.  
Hope you are also - dear love



Miss Ellen S. Belden,  
Glendale College,  
Glendale  
Ohio.

FEB 10  
4 PM  
1907  
ALBANY