

But I've enjoyed thoroughly meeting my many old friends here, and attending a Literary Club & another club to which I belonged when living here.

You ask me what kind of sitting capacity we now in the Oxford Public Library. There are some of the chairs from the Methodist Church and from my home. As chairs are too dear to buy new, we expect to buy chairs at some sale, if we are fortunate enough to find what we want.

Thank you for writing, "I would like to help purchase something to sit on." It is indeed what we need.

My dear Friend, I am still in Gettysburg. I expect to start for home to-morrow.

It is almost four weeks since dear mother fell, and I have been so glad to do all I can for her. She has been so patient.

Now she can walk with the help of a cane and a little assistance. Of course she can not yet come down stairs. Her daughter Tragsow will come to-morrow.

Yes, I'll be very glad to get back home & to Oxford. There is no place like home.

Friends have been so wondrously kind in  
subscribing for magazines, books, or donating  
books. We have promised to pay expressage  
on any books sent us, and we have received  
books of great value -

Stirling purchased two banquet tickets for  
the Monday Engineers. I was greatly disappoint-  
ed I could not go. Still went to Monday's  
smoker, & returned Tuesday. Mr & Mrs Cox  
did not go for Mr. Cox had been ill.  
He is better - a number of our friends  
were not able to get there. I am sure  
you & Miss Gertrude miss the friendly  
greeting there.

It is good news to hear you are so much  
better. It is hard for an active person  
to learn quietly to sit & think. Of course  
you know Milton says, "He also serves  
who only stands wait." I hope your strength  
will increase.

I never knew Dickens wrote poetry until yes-  
terday. It was beautiful & I copied it -  
Mr Rusling had almost a stroke, but he is  
better.

Goodnight, dear friend, I must write to my  
dear children. With kindest regards to Miss  
Gertrude & love to your self -

Sincerely your friend

Adele Elliott Valentine  
I am glad of smoothness  
Gettysburg, Adams Co. College is against the hog  
ing - Its outrageous!

February, 26, 1922,  
Gettysburg, Adams Co.  
Penna.