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My dearest Carrie.

When I sit
to down to write, I am
overwhelmed as I think
who to write to first, so
begin with you, feeling sure
you have far and a little
the worst of any of the
dear ones. Now to begin with
as I am going to give a
little description of my home
I am going to ask you to
send this first to Joe
the Mother, and the rest of
the family in Ar. can read
& Mother please send to
Ellie. Now please name

If you expect anything
fine, well after all that
dingo, for I have already
been once interrupted.

Addison has been away for
the past two weeks most of
the time, taking inventory
at the ~~different~~ Yards.
but he will be home tomorrow
P.M. for good again I
hope. His longest stay with-
out coming home at night
was six days and during
that time I worked night
day, with much help
from the Adelaide, I make
who took almost sole
charge of the baby, & a
small child to wheel
the darling out doors,
& Mary, my girl. a

perfect treasure, by the way, Capable, willing, and interested, Well when I came home he found our room Dining room and Library furnished cleaned & ready to live in. he was surprised and delighted & Oh dear! How I wish you could just look in on us today and see for yourself. Except Rugs we are quite complete, and I do so name one does not feel as you would at home all the floors are finished in oil. indeed the entire inside of the house is hard finish, To begin with the Dining, where

I am now sitting. a beautiful
Corner cupboard built in
one corner of the room, &
Aunt Ellen's, Susan's and
natter pretty dishes stand
where they can be seen
thro' the glass doors. The
Beak Mantle decorated
with various pieces of
faux china, Pictures all
around the room. Dogs &
Deer & Geese make the tiling
in the hearth & Mantle a
thing of beauty. From here
a sliding door into Library
or sitting room where the
Mantle is equally pretty,
Cherry - Mother's pretty
yellow Pitchers et cetera
the same. Ellen's beautiful

picture hanging over the
 piano just where I can
 see it & trust as I play -
 in this share, that little
 painting to many gave me -
 a bracket for carved out years
 ago. (Girl and boy smiling)
 Camie's Elegant Screen -
 That pretty Florentine picture
 picture gave me long ago.
 And a good many other -
 The pretty Brass picture is
 on my piano, tell Aunt Emma
 & the steel picture on the
 wall both of which she
 gave me, tho' perhaps she
 did not know it.
 Camie's flag Lily is hanging
 in here too - And my lovely
 silver. Many transforms out on

Cornier Cupboard I blush
to say in an imitation cut
glass spoon holder which looks
very real. Lake Cayuga &
Cornell ~~handy~~ hangs in dining
room & over a brass painted
picture. Dining room has
oak high backed chairs.

Library furnished in Ratae
except a big leather rocker
my Mas gift to addison
a beautifully Carved Birds Eye
Maple tuft upholstered in
tan silk a Mas to me.

See the from Hall Joe's
shelf is between the Corinthian
Columns & Library doors.

Opposite a Hat Rack
which we don't like.

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Opposite dining room is
Mother's room, complete
in every way. Opposite Library
is parlor (unfurnished) Hall
parlor Library ~~hall~~ can
be thrown entirely open & together
make one long room 58 ft.
Hall is 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ~~ft~~ ²⁴⁰ ft. long -
The space from front door
to stairs is about 18 ft. Now
go up stairs the first room
on second floor left hand
is Adelaide's. Next the
Spare room opposite our
room and that is Beauty's
finished entirely in ^{fine} ~~wood~~
Curly pine, Oak Mantle
(All the mantles have fine
marbles) and furnished in

antique oak rocking chairs
for each, including T.H.,
she has a chair to match
the furniture in each room
in the house - An Ebony
Table, and a pretty dinner
6 ft long, + T.H.'s crib, back
of this Job room, this is
not yet furnished like the
Back room etc. All the
rooms except Mother's +
Job have mantels, then
our kitchen part is girls
room and a pretty
spare room. I begin
to feel quite settled
next week think we
be able to get Halls

and Garret in order, then
I am done and can
settle down and do
some sewing and
reading & practicing.

Oh why can't you
all come over see
us - It just nearly makes
me sick to think of
it - I don't know anything
about Lot or anything.

How I long to see little
Char. I hear the baby
crying & I know she is
hungry, I have spent
all this time sitting
at (Mc Mine) with you

all as likewise
they love -
with much love to
all -

Your devoted

Sister, daughter, niece
Cousin, and friend

Jenni A. Roe

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Mrs. Bredin

Parsonage.