

great disadvantage to you from
every point of view to do as I
before suggested. I am real-
ly proud of you Willie to see you
have so much grit & sense
of honor, & I believe this de-
termination of yours to do right
will bring grand results. I now
feel so hopeful of your future
as now. You know Willie
I never would advise you to
do something dishonorable
to your company or to anyone,
but I did not understand
how things were.

how things are.
Ever Your own loving

Mamona

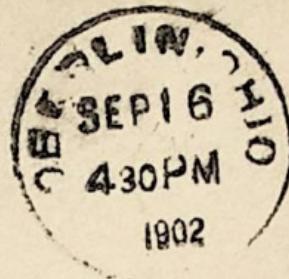
Mrs. Jm H. Biddle
287 West College St. Oberlin Ohio

call me at the
My Office, I
enclose
steam pt. to you,
you can collect
where you
will be identified
S. S. Bailey

Share only time for
a word. I wrote you last ev. The
letter was mailed this a.m. &
at 10 a.m. your long one came.
~~The~~ ~~thirteen~~ Thirteen dollars which
I enclose is "benevolence money" &
eventually must be returned, al-
though it is all right to lend it
to you. You need not pay it back
before Jan. 1, 1903. My check was
just \$13⁰⁰ & not \$20. & it was "on
account," towards paying for my
diamond ring I sold Aunt Jessie.
You knew about it - didn't you?
The ring Aunt Ellen gave me
was worth \$300⁰⁰ which I have sold for

that amount & am getting payment for by degrees. I do not intend that money be used as ordinary money, but for benevolence, or as a benevolent loan to be paid back to me & used again & again to help some one in need. It is that which will pay M + E's tuition this fall, & altho' we have been in dreadful straits the summer, I would n't touch that \$100.00 which I have in the Savings Bank in a separate account from other things. I think I have told you of it before - have I not? Aunt J. took the ring a year ago last June & has not yet pd. half on it. She sent

this 13⁰⁰ to me in an express order which can't be transferred, so I will go right down & get it cashed & then get a draft at Bank & mail to you for afternoon mail. While down I will try to see Mr. Peck, & also Mr. Miller to see where you stand & let you know. But I feel perfectly contented that your decision to remain & work out your time & do your best is a truly manly & honorable course. Your letters have put quite a different aspect on the situation from the way I understood it when I wrote you to come home, and I now see that it would be a very



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(Do not forward)

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