

Sunday. Hope
he won't be the
kind they gave
to other & you
I cannot describe
I have been hearing
what Billie,
like? - Lots of love
from Mary -
Yesterday I
wrote to Evelyn and so it is
your turn today. I wonder
how you are getting on by this
time. We are all hoping that
you are having better success
than when you wrote. George
says perhaps that is a fake.
Selling you an agent has
been along with ~~that~~ last.
He said he got taken in that
way when he was canvassing,
people told him another
agent had just been along
with the same thing he had -

July 11, 1902.
Shelby J.

To get rid of him you know.

You wouldn't have any idea how busy we are kept here even with our small families. But there seems to be so much to do, housework and sewing and so on. Mamma put your room in lovely order and she is planning to put Aunt Jennie there, if she ever comes.

We think it is so strange that we don't hear any thing from her and she hasn't come either. We had a letter which was mailed from Pittsburg last Saturday saying that she would probably be here

Monday and here it is Friday and we have neither seen her nor had any further word from her. We are kind of worried for fear something might have happened to her. We have a lot of mail here for her too.

We had a very nice letter from Eklina yesterday and I think she is going to like it there quite well. She says she and Ruth have more work to do than any of the others and she's afraid they might miss on them because they are the youngest but perhaps it will be different after a little while. Eklina doesn't wait in the big dining

room ~~up~~, but she & Ruth
are in the "ordinary" where the
family and the children with
their nurses & such people
are. She would rather be in
the big room and I hope she
will be just there. The people
are very nice & the Oberlin
girls & Mr. Connor, the pro-
prietor, is going to take them
all for a boat ride. He is
quite a young man, Eklina
says & resembles her & Mr.
Chilton, the Y. M. C. A. Secretary.
She sent us the menu too
& my the list of voices - a good
deal longer than all the rest
put together.

Wish you success. Wonder what kind

Friday Morning.

My dear Willio:-

Mary has written you the news so I will only add a word or you may keep the letters to read when you get home as you used to when you were little, and so never read them. Your letters are very interesting. A boy who can write so well ought to get perfect marks in English every time - & I am looking for you to do it next year in College. By the way, I saw Miss Stebbins yesterday & she asked after you, & hopes you can get your Herbarium finished before Summer is over. I am wondering if you

can't gather + press flowers as you go from
place to place without encroaching on your
business time. That is the way many people
make all their collections. I met Miss S. at
Mrs. Dr. Fairfield's at what was to have been a
lawn party, but owing to the change in the
weather was a house party, - + an open grate
fire was in the front parlor! I thought we
could have dispensed with that, + be glad
to get cooled off after the terrific heat. We
had ice cream + cake, then tea + lady fingers,
+ lemonade whenever wanted from a big punch
bowl which stood on the dining room table.
Our nasturtiums are blooming finely, + a
variety of Zinnias are opening + look very
pretty in my "bushy". Some seeds are not
quite ripe. Some morning glories are blooming
- a bright blue - + I saw a tomato as big
as an egg on one vine. The alexanders are
in full bloom + every thing looks well in the
yard except the gooseberry + ^{some} currant bushes
which I am afraid are dying - perhaps rotted
at the roots by too much rain. The cress is fine

floating in a continuous pond,
but the water is not so good
for the woodbine near by, which
looks very sickly.

How many books have you sold?
Your Company ought to make good
your losses when it is their fault.
I hope you will write them real
positively about it. You cannot
afford - neither can I - to have
this summer a failure. Very much
of your future depends on this
summer. "Work as though all
depended on you, + pray as if
all depended on God," + things
will I am perfectly sure come
out right. Good bye dear, don't
forget I'll be watching for your Sunday
letter. Your own loving Maxima!



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Mr. William H. Belden,
Westfield,
Ohio.

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