

Dear Eliza, -

I am on the  
train for Kansas City  
where I arrive tonight  
at 7 o'clock. They told  
me when I inquired  
the other day that I  
could reach Emporia  
at 8:35, but I find  
now that I can't  
get out of Kansas

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City till 9:10 arriving  
at Engora at 10:45  
I sent Mrs. Harper  
a postal saying I  
should be there 8:35  
and now I don't  
know what I should  
do, since I'm going  
to reach here so late  
I wish I had written

Pres. Arthur and  
 he would probably  
 come to meet me; but  
 I shouldn't have told  
 him right if I had.  
 It like some one to  
 meet me just now,  
 but I get along  
 all right.

I had a fine time  
 in Asheville. Ernest

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body was so cordial  
and so many people  
said they wished  
Miss Wagon and I  
were back, that  
Blackburn had never  
given the same  
satisfaction since  
we left. Oh, so  
many nice things  
they said that



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it just made me  
want glad. Every  
body in town seems  
to hate Mr. Lidge.  
He tries to run every  
thing, the Society &  
the church and  
all, even though  
he has never desired  
to give it. They

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are having quite  
a time up over  
their minister and  
he has tried to run  
the whole matter,  
going so far as to  
hint to some of the  
faculty that if they  
don't vote his way  
they are in danger

giving their positions  
He has threatened to  
give Blackburn over  
to the Methodists if  
the Presbyterians  
don't do as he wishes.  
This, of course, would  
be impossible, since  
Blackburn by its  
Charter must be

Chesapeake to  
 Dr. Schweeringer  
 and the Academy  
 English teachers are  
 neither of them re-  
 turning next year  
 and their positions  
 are now vacant.  
 Some people seem  
 to think they had  
 had some idea to

teach! So many say  
they wished I would.  
As a matter of fact  
there is to be no  
Eng. teacher till  
Lynch is going to  
devote himself to  
teaching his year  
and he and Dr.  
Bradley will divide  
the Eng. classes.

seen. But nobody  
will take work under  
Garbays. I saw him  
two or three times.  
He told me he had  
met Pres. Roosevelt  
and so yesterday  
when we went  
up to Blackburn  
and he mentioned

the subject, I said  
"Yes, he told me he  
had met you. Indeed  
has some conversation  
time about me. I  
believe he thought  
you didn't compli-  
ment me very highly."  
You should have  
seen his face.

got as red <sup>as</sup> a beet  
and of course de-  
nied it. Of course I  
wasn't going to get  
into trouble, but  
I just tried to  
warn him to  
know that I had  
my ideas how  
he spoke about



me behind my back  
I was very pleasant  
to him all the  
time I told him  
Pres. N. didn't  
say what he had  
said, but his au-  
thority was to be  
so obvious rather  
significant. I

guess he thought  
the best way to fix  
it up was to talk  
(or pretend to talk)  
what he did say.  
And so he said  
he told Pres. K.  
that I had a good  
character and I

believe, <sup>15</sup> that Jones  
made, that Jones  
do my will for  
a school like  
Blackburn or  
"his school", but  
that for a college  
having a straight  
four years' course

and able <sup>to</sup> have  
men with ad-  
vanced  
university train-  
ing, like Belmont  
for instance, he  
would not recom-  
mend me. Well,  
wasn't it? I didn't  
make any reply  
to this. He shirked



he goes by the  
 name of "Shades  
 of the Truth"; no  
 body seems to have  
 any more use  
 for his wife than  
 for him - they all  
 think she is too  
 faded.  
 But it funny

that Euphorbia <sup>10</sup> must  
escape from Ashiv-  
ville to the bush  
is? The price is  
5. 50 for Ashiv-  
ville to Kansas  
City.

You know I didn't  
get a duplicate for  
the other one

came in a long  
coach all the way.

It wasn't for  
Economy's sake  
but because I

first thought  
I'd get off at  
Dean's at  
12.10 and then  
decided to change.



at Mattowa, Ind. at  
 3.30 and as it was  
 worth while to take  
 a sleeper after mid-  
 night till 3.30.

You think just  
 as I do about the  
 Boyer Lawer bus-  
 ness. If they

a bar<sup>32</sup> the rig  
men, they had  
them when they  
are just begin-  
ning their work  
and are quite  
without experience  
Dr. Tucker (who  
translated the

Brownly, & vice of  
 Prof. Cook's satisfaction  
 might show right  
 after he took his  
 Ph.D and he went  
 to Yale to teach  
Bushman Eng.  
 the man who is at  
 the head of the

Philosophy department  
 ment at JHU (I  
 can't remember  
 his name. He  
 came last year  
 from U. of California)  
 taught at Penn.  
 state when he first  
 began. He is fine  
 but he left

Benjamin Mearns to go  
west and only after  
that added papers  
issue, got into Yale.  
I don't know whether  
he was a Yale man  
originally or not -  
rather think Har-  
vard. He and his

wife & Dr. <sup>26</sup> Snider  
were at Prof. Cook's  
that night I was  
there to supper.

I think some of these  
people from Penn-  
sylvania are rather  
rude in things  
they say and I

don't <sup>27</sup> care to disguise  
the subject with them  
for you see we the  
same, for they are  
very arrogant, which  
is disgusting.

Well, you see  
make just as good  
an impression as  
I can & I'm taking

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comfort in the thought  
that you are making  
a great deal better  
one than I made  
when I was at Wyo-  
ning. The girls are  
lovely, I think,  
and I think we  
should be congratulated



if we ~~work~~<sup>are</sup> together,  
change, naturally,  
our circumstances  
have led us to a  
different point of  
view on some things.  
And as you say, the  
Dear Lady, always  
appears well. She

looks and acts so  
handsome, and  
refined & aristocratic.

Don't they have  
an easy life at  
Syonning and an  
Elegant one? It is  
like what I have  
read about, but

have had little chance  
 to see. They couldn't  
 form any mental  
 picture. I think  
 of the life we are  
 used to — and I'm  
 glad they don't know,  
 though sometimes  
 I almost get

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like telling them.

I'm asking that  
your books and things  
will be ready for  
you when you reach  
Lunenburg. I should  
think if Miss De  
Vore had freighted  
them to you, she'd  
have to send you

the bill of lading.

I did not go to  
St. Louis for a suit.  
It was so warm in  
Cedarville that I  
took hope & thought  
I could get along.  
But alas, as I  
am starting out

for Emporia it is  
raining and cold.  
No word has come  
from Mr. Hearst.  
We've been trying &  
trying to think of  
Mr. Johnston's notes  
& I just stopped  
cut. I think I

will write to him  
May be he will make  
Mr. Harrot do some-  
thing about it.

It is perfectly out  
raguous. They could  
have got the result  
reached or if they  
couldn't, Mr. West  
should have got

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got right on the car  
and gone to Clerk's  
to see about it.

I'm sorry you are  
worried about my  
money. He got  
along all right,  
for you see the car  
fare is much less  
than I expected.



Be so glad, the

Dear Lady didn't  
 feel ill results from  
 those last hard days  
 at home. I've thought  
 very about her all  
 the time - and I  
 do believe I haven't  
 sent her a word.  
 Dear, how I do hate

to say good-bye to  
her that day (and it  
was such a hurried  
one, too, because  
I thought we were  
going to be late for  
the car.

Please give my  
love to the Dear  
Lady and every  
body.

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I didn't tell you  
about cute little  
Nancy Challacomb.  
Does the baby too -  
a month old.

Did you know the  
duggles have a baby  
too - eight or nine  
months old now.  
Lots and lots

I people asked after  
 you. Everybody that  
 saw you remembered  
 you, I guess. It seemed  
 so nice they knew  
 you.

I went to a reception  
 given to Prof. Carlson  
 and his wife. He  
 is the principle  
 of the Academy

course the year we  
 left. Blackmore  
 has not opened yet.  
 Today is opening  
 day!

Well, good-bye  
 again!

Will you please  
 send this to Aunt  
 and if she likes

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either will be or  
held in world case  
to make through  
it, the night over  
it or.

The water is just  
pulling out  
1 Roadhouse, Ill.  
10:25 P. M. Sept 10.  
W. L. W. 37.

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I was taken for  
Mrs. Casselmont  
again this time  
in Carhiville  
the Dallacombes  
were fine.



Mr. W. H. Belden  
~~Port Harvey~~ Oberlin  
Ohio,  
~~British Columbia~~  
Canada.



