

556 Franklin St.,
Melrose Highlands, Mass.,

Jan. 22, 1909.

On this, the anniversary of
my blessed Mother's Birthday,
when she would have been
ninety-six years old, were
she still on earth, - I am
writing you, my dear Caroline
Humphrey, to thank you for
all the generous assurances
of your letters, and for the
dainty Delft Calendar, with
the sweet setting which

Sister gave it. Please thank her also for giving me a bit of herself with. I can so easily imagine her bending her bright eyes upon it, while with deft touches she called that quaint little Dutch maiden into view. The delicate suggestions of views in the background are just exquisite. I hardly understand how, amid all her engagements with Brother, during vacation, your darling can have found any

time for brushes and paints, or had her mother, with wise forethought, run to it all the holiday gifts for friends near and far had been provided long before? However that may be, I very much enjoyed the note you sent me out of the very crush of your holiday work and Sister's dainty enclosure, with the loving remembrance from you all. Await mine in return, dear Caroline Humphrey - Now boys is back again in College, and

Sister at the Academy, and you are all
anticipating Easter, and your next re-
union.

to all of you, I am
faithfully yours, Ellen M. Stone.

It comes to my mind that Mrs.
Tribus did not quite understand about
the receipt for nine dollars - \$9.00; there-
fore Mrs. Tribus wrote to Mr. Wm. B. Deham,
27 William St., New York, about the
matter, Mr. D. in turn wrote to me, and
I to Mrs. Tribus; so now it is understood,
I think. It gave me pleasure to read it
for Dr. Hosmer's work - With lovely memories
of your home, family, & friends, & remembrances
to Ethel, Mrs. Stewart, Mr. Hosmer's cousins, and love