

Phillips Academy  
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Dear Bro. William

I am sorry to have to state, that my "Bulgarian" does turn out to be an "Armenian" but I don't think it is my fault for putting you to the trouble of writing him that letter. For I am sure Mr. Minnes - one of the Theologues - said at supper that he was an Bulgarian.

My room-mate gave me a description of him, and I waited outside after school till he came out from "Greek", which he recites at the "Academy", and went up and introduced myself to him

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There is one fellow, of that ~~class~~ <sup>called</sup> ~~class~~.

In school Walt & I used  
to be the fastest writer and I  
next. Mr. Skinner used to give  
us exercises to see who could write  
the most words in a certain time.

Robert Speer my room mate says  
that all my family are good pen-  
men except me.

I forgot to say that I got 100  
in my other studies in exam.

I thank you again for the razor  
you so kindly sent me.

we have simply damp weather  
here & I have written a letter this  
P.M. Give my love to Sister  
Ellie and Master William,  
and Carrie & Geo. at your house  
did you get out to the wedding?  
or couldnt you leave?

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in our class now; he was in the same class last year, and had; advertised for sale, on the Bulletin board "P.S. 84. class pin". I think is I had merchandise of that kind I would either get rid of it appropriate sale, or hang onto it.

I had one of the examples which I couldn't understand committed to memory, I didn't have to do it as it happened, do you don't think there would have been anything dishonorable in that if I had, do you?

Sister Ellie was right about the Barrow boy being lame he has one cork foot that is one leg is shorter than the other, You need have ~~to~~ taken your advice about writing but I don't think it pays, as it doesn't look as well even as the other, and I can't write near as fast.

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