

My dear Annie, -

I hope long before this
you have got a letter I wrote to
mamma + asked her to send to
you girls. She wrote me that she
was sending it to mamma but
I have had only a postal from
mamma since she left Berlin
so I don't know whether she
got it + sent it on to you or no.
Also I have not seen Writup her
much — just happened. But
the other day I wrote her a long
letter that I asked her to send
you + mamma and I hope she
sent you first as it's easier for
you to attend to sending it
better than it is for somebody
to.

For you you may not have
got these letters. She says that
they were telling my great
aunts — can you imagine

what? — a grand party
here next May. I'm
awfully glad except that
I feel so sick all the time
that I can't think of any
thing else — not being a
very brave person. The
other night I read the pam-
phlet you sent me on Pre-
natal Care by Mrs. Wooten
I don't think it told any
thing I didn't know already.
They want me to take the W.P.
ministry Circle this year & I
said I'd start it but I tried
to find Mrs. Moke today to
tell her I couldn't. I feel so
miserable now & soon after
I got over the nausea I won't
want to be keeping them any
longer. They are high school
girls, the set of purple straw

the girls I (3) had been
I am going to have the
first meeting of the College
Club here, that will be in
a couple of Saturdays and
may have the first meeting
of Mothers' Club. The pres.
of college club thinks there
have to give up her work
& if so it will fall on me
and honor I'm very much
enjoy, but of course I couldn't
do it very long. The other
vice-president is out of
town for the duration of the
war.

Will was out in the night
& late in the evening and
here he has to go to Kasselton
it is a shame.

I have two hundred-pieces
to do up tomorrow. I did the
same number day before

yesterday. If they are so easy
to do & so good, but like
every thing else they are
awfully expensive this year.
It's just dreadful - living
up our garden as we do & still
our bells are the biggest we
have ever had.

I had to stop the French
lessons because I just could
get P. interested and when
I went to tell her teacher
that I found she had gone
to tell me the same thing
I felt awfully over it. P.
just got her head set against
it & when she gets her head
set she can't be changed.

Tuesday afternoon. Dear Bennie,
your nice letter has just come &
I hadn't finished it because I
just so sick all the time. I'm not
brave at all & this dreadful season
is more than I can stand
tho I'm full so sick. I had to

telephone that I couldn't get to a
committee meeting today & that
I can't have the college club
for just meeting & I just don't
get it hung down. I'm trying to
make felt velvet coat & this is
nicely but I can only do such a bit
at a time - I'm just disgusted.

I've always had the nausea quite
badly but I never felt quite so
sick at this stage. Yesterday I
did twelve or 15 more pairs of
picks but they are simple -

Thank you awfully much
for your lovely offer & I'll accept
them. When I find a little better
I'm going to town & maybe I'll
get some things to send you. I
think I'll get some yarn &
ask you to crochet a pair or two
of socks. I had 3 pairs & are we
put on the first baby. The other
two I have will come to think
of it. I believe that will be enough
as this will be a summer baby.

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The seventh of May is the date
as near as can be counted. If
you should make a pair they
could you make them short
ones? as the two pairs I have of
Aunt Selby's are I think he
ought all to be the same or the
little legs would feel the difference.
Dear, it surely is nice to think
of when you can think of my
thing but how uncommon good
you feel.

well, it's not right to say
any thing about being miserable
when you are are having every
thing so hard. It does seem as if the
family would be getting out of the
~~what~~ hole by this time. I feel
worried for fear May is all worn
out for the school year. But
I can't help being thankful too
that Anny, dear, loving Anny,
who has sacrificed so bravely,
for us all our lives, could have
her.

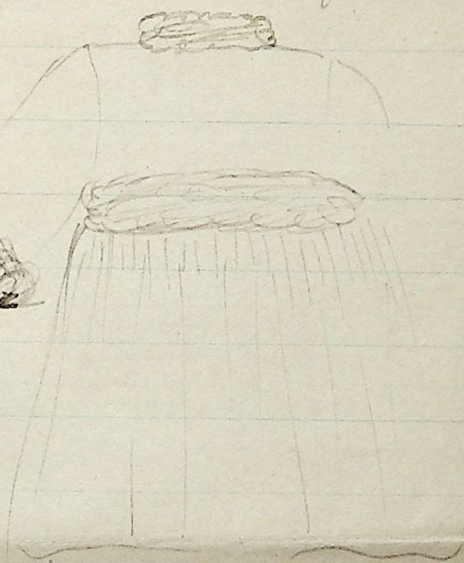
I want to write the Prices as
mamma suggests but what
if I should still feel so
sick that I can hardly sit
up at table or any where else
I guess I'd only come any way &
if mamma is here it would be
all right & it would be such a
pleasure to Pedro who talks all
the time about his "little Cousins."

I must go. Lots of love to
my Belle.

Telling
Pedro said last night "Oh I
like cousins so much - but
I've never seen any." I
think its 2 or 3 whole days
since she has mentioned
baby a sister or sister
Wed. I feel a little better today &
have Pedro's coat nearly done. But I
don't feel able to go to town to order
buttons. made & got sick thro' it.
I think its going to be lonely. It is
made of my mahogany velvet &
trimmed with the shawl or much
not fur I had on my green velvet.
I am also going to make hat &

snuff to match & I tried it with
the gray skinniers sating from your
goodness to coat. Makes it rather
heavy and the sating is somewhat
worn but still looks very well. I
cleaned with gasoline but I will
now send the whole coat to the
cleaner's before I put the fur on. They
charge more if fur trimmings
of course I couldn't get the sating
than but I got it sanitary.

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to be double
breasted in front.
Of course it's a
nuisance to make
over but this has
been no easier
than the gray codrey
was. I have enough

velvet to put a big collar on if I
decide I'd like it but even if
I do it will have this same neck
& the collar will be more a cap.
Mrs. Riley paid good coats for little
girls in Pittsburg & the nice ones
were nearly forty dollars
apiece. She said she didn't
want to pay nearly 70 dollars for
the girls coats so she didn't get any.
I'm so thankful I can make
things. She is going to try to get a
dress maker to make some but
dress makers usually batch a job
like that. I looked at coats for Ted
at McKelvey's - just for ideas &
the ones for \$16.00 even were
horrid.

Love, good bye Bernie. I'm
expecting mamma this week
and can hardly wait.

Are you going to be in Washington
right along now?

Love & thanks
Ellen

Mr Chas Palmer Bell

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* TURKEY and BULGARIA.

287 W. College. Friday, 2-6 p. m.

Saturday, 9 a. m.-5 p. m.

Here again two missionaries, Mrs. Dewey and Mrs. Belden, will make you welcome and "eat salt with you."