

Monday morning

Lady darling and Tim:

I'm sending you quite a batch of second-hand things, but think you'll be interested in them.

Yesterday I had a tea for some of the faculty & don't often have, some, indeed - new ones - whom I've never had. I invited twenty, but I think about 13 or 14 came. I made sandwiches - quite quickly, rolled and plain ribbon, but the filling was simple, just cheese with salad dressing. I used the last of the salad dressing Mama made and a little other. I got a fruit-cake, and cut in tiny pieces - not a bit expensive, as that goes so far. It seemed well liked. It was a 65¢ one left for Christmas & I got it for 50¢, but it was plenty fresh. Not more than half of it was used. I did not use the percolator - hasn't had a fire in it this year. The little percolator is so much easier. I would like it for tea in a house, but it seems all right here in a dormitory room.

I wrote to Gouges about Miss Horner's interview with the Vacancy I found for Clara. But it's filled now - It will read in Miss Louis' letter after she shows it to Miss Horner. I'm glad in a way, for I hate to see Miss Horner go - and especially now when my own absence is stirring up the department.

The new idea is going to have a class in her first course: She just stirred up a lot of students to think they must take it - genuine desire, as I think that subject the most important taught in the department.

I'm so glad you like Emma. I'd like to begin a thorough reading of all Jane Austen from beginning to end. She's nice for reading alone; don't you think so? I don't believe she ever appreciated her as much as I do now.

It's getting dark as if there were going to be a big rain - and I used to go to the library. Thunder - there! tree, that's better than the rain - stone we've just been having.

With lots of love -

Patty