

My dear Curly,-  
Your letter came today & I was  
very happy to have it. Of course you told  
me the things that I wanted to know &  
I am interested in all your affairs. I had  
a long letter from Mary and she spoke  
of books & procedure in it. It took me  
two periods to read my mail & I can tell  
you it was full.

I wonder if you will laugh when I  
tell you what I'm doing just now. I  
have three girls in here to a "reception"  
as they say. They misbehaved in  
rhetoric today & now, their recreation  
time that they value most, they're  
up here figuring & writing away. I gave  
Marguerite to subtract 5 from 500 the  
she got 0, the others 6 from 600 &  
I gave 800 then to ~~the~~ Curly 333 &  
the other one 555 etc & then square  
the result and then to write a theme  
& then they will each have to correct the  
other's theme, then I am going to have  
them each write an original figure -  
problem it keeps me "bustling"

Saturday evening-

I have been off on a picnic this afternoon had the best time. Miss Watkins, art teacher, who is a member of the sophomore class, gave the picnic to the sophomore class (which has four members) and invited me to go along. I really did have a fine time. Two of the girls are among the ones I like best in school & we were not too many. Miss Watkins gave this little verse which I remembered because I thought it might amuse you.

The horse bit his master,

How came it to pass?

He heard the good pastor

Say, "all flesh is grass":

She is just full of funny things.  
Come to think of it, I guess that  
is Bible maybe is not relevant

if so I shouldn't repeat it to you.

We had old Prince and the  
"spring wagon" and we were a right  
Prince never stopped eating grass  
all after noon. We were at the  
Clay banks and Miss Watkins  
brought home some clay for modeling  
we made a stove of rocks and  
baked potatoes and made coffee  
& we had cheese & lettuce salad  
wishes and crackers and cakes  
and strawberries with rich cream

I sent you letter to Mary  
with the other one that was in  
your envelope.

I should have gone to the  
city today if I hadn't gone on the  
picnic.

The other evening we had  
a gentleman talk to us about  
birds. It was very interesting though  
there wasn't any thing in it

that I had not <sup>4</sup> learned in ornithology. I would like to have met the man. but you never by any mistake got introduced to any body here. <sup>It was for the pastor, too.</sup> Mr Brown lives in town & his wife was here at school - where she met him, I think. The honorary members of the different classes (people in the village) were here for dinner and Mrs. Brown is one of them. I think, but of course I was at my own table! She was at my own table with persons paid at the table with the guests & the teachers who are honorary members of classes.

Mrs De Vore said when I went to her office the other evening that she had had "a very lovely letter" from my mother that day inviting her for commencement but that she couldn't go. She also said that

Mamma paid <sup>5</sup> she was going  
to send a paper about com-  
mencement exercises but that  
it hadn't come yet. I wonder if  
was sent later - I hope so as  
~~the~~ <sup>Miss D.</sup> pleased to be interested  
to see it.

I must get to work. Just think  
only a week and a half, ~~to~~  
week, two weeks, till I can  
home again! How fast the year  
has gone by, cause as I look  
back over it I see sure that I  
might have made it count  
more in other, but I shall try  
to put my regrets into better  
work for next year.

Are you coming out the week  
of the class, Curley, this year? I  
hope so.

Good night Curley Boy

Your loving Sister,

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