

without the sample. Well, I know
you must have a certain
had been necessary.

With yours,
Alice
Johnston

Chicago
I spent the evening
with Mrs. H. - Friday
The whole kind, however
of you. I'm glad
to find it was good
for you. I'm glad
to hear that things has
improved. I'll tell you
I'm glad you are better
I'm glad you did.

to Chatterbox!

The twonlock has just struck nine
and not yet have I said "bon soir" to
Miere Course. But my appointed task in
French could not be sooner mastered. Can't
it a pretty language? I love it so dearly, and
am so much with Millie H. at
her recitations, which are from four o'clock
until five Mondays and Fridays Thursdays
at the Acad. ... She is a dear charming girl,
and I feel badly to have the week draw to
a close that brings me so near the end of the
term, for then she will be no longer associated
with me. There is a possibility that one of
my sisters will take the place; in that case
I could not regret it. ^{and} otherwise would. I do
not wish one of them to take it, if they can
possibly get a better place, which they are certain
ly qualified for. Did I ever mention to you

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Willie California lover? Well she has one.
There is a former resident of this place and
said to be a fine young man, if you wish a
property. Willie, of course, like most girls, does
not say she is going to marry and I think. But
she is going to take care of her invalid ~~mother~~
~~father~~ and learn to do house work this winter;
and she tells me she will not teach again if she
leaves school now. Furthermore greatly laments
the sudden rise of cotton cloth. "I wish I were
always happy to know a happy marriage is
in prospect. I am afraid that night should
blight her beautiful hopes."

Carrie, you poor dear girl, you have suffered
awfully have you with your face? I suppose
it is so ugly! Have you had those fine teeth
extracted? I wish you could take Chloroform.
I am sure you hardly could endure it without.
It is very kind to know your love goes out toward
me just the same whatever presents ^{you} have from
writing - even when you are enduring physical
suffering. Did you fancy me sending you frequent
"heart-pressed"? I do at all times, but it is true

that I was growing slightly impatient. How
ever I had determined to abide my time in
patience, if possible. Past experience, and
knowledge of your disposition, would of course
suggest more possibilities to my mind, than
you the party ^{on the party} ~~of~~ dear friends
and usual delay would. I know my
other dearest, sweetest friend, it would be like
her to tell me of her grief though it were
only a word or two. You may believe me very
sorry in the assurance that if any such
thing were on your heart you would not put it
entirely against all else that was left you to be
stoppy for your sake, because I think it would
be so dreadful in its consequences to you if you
grieve the good God that as yet he has been merci-
ful to you; and let us be hopeful that you
will not soon have to look up through the
clouds to see "His smiling face." I rec'd today
a letter from one of our Wilson students who
is connected with a battery in Banks' division
and has been more or less actively engaged
in all the battles recently fought. He has yet
survived unhurt. By the way, the wounded

W. C. C. has reported this to the Committee, and I
understand a note has been written, in a hurry,
to say that the Committee has taken and some
afterward in the school about six weeks,
during which time Kelsey has been in Washing-
ton, where it appears he still is.

I was greatly and happily surprised week before
last to receive from Mr. Allen that he had thought
of writing to me, and that he would do so. He
sent me a particularly interesting account in his
last letter, that he was not expecting
to have been so well as usual, but that
he was going to see a doctor. They were to start soon
to check the morning journal from Hartford
to see if you could have any more observations
from him. Thank you for your interesting details. It
was very interesting, and here, some secret
little hints to write him his daily letters of you.
I took your letter out with almost an indignant
feeling, because it felt so light, inasmuch as you
had so set me out an address, and in addition
a concession to address the paper to me all
right. You were never told me as to the particulars
of Webster's death. Did he receive from me a copy of
it? How long has your betrothed waiting in the bloom?
I had some fine times in deciphering your last
letter. In the first place I was about to start to
the P. O. with it and discovered I had directed it



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