

Sancti Spiritus, N. J. Oct 28 - '89.

My dear friends -
Those splendid packages of books from you and your publishers, received one of these last crowded days in New York, ought to have been acknowledged at once by post-al. But it was so difficult to do one thing more. To write three or four on the ferry, boat-going to the steamer!

I flattered myself I would somewhere on the Mediterranean (never on the Atlantic) succeed in writing a satisfactory letter to you all. But, all

both of being very entertaining
at sea, in a rain delusion for
a few hours. I am obliged to you
and your thought in writing
it. I am very much obliged. It
adds much to their value for me.

God's letter need original,
which greatly interested me,
and I will give for the bene-
fit of our school, and suggest
writing about it, later. But now
I have your arrival. I am school
work to look after workmen
on our little mountain place.

Truly recommending them, our
trip to get mail for Ameri-
ca ready. We weeks have had
advice. I landed in Detroit,
and I have hardly written more
than three letters to cross the ocean.

Returning to work just at the
opening of the school year, after
so long an absence, I find much
to acquaint myself with anew, in

life." I do not believe it. It is quite in-
explicable & uncertain what he means by
the following "to you I did not mean
eternal salvation in a future state,
it is merit & virtue's universal better-
ment on earth as well." This, that
is a dreadful idea of my religion.
I might as well be a Catholic hang-
ing my hopes for another world
on the priests' offices in my dy-
ing hour, or the masses to be said
for my soul for a money con-
sideration, after I was gone. Accord-
ing to their view I would be sav-
ed in the end, and I might live
as I now live. No, indeed. My idea
of Christianity is primarily a
moral principle bettering the heart
& life "on earth", ennobling, purify-
ing, exalting. What man or wom-
an can make the most and best
of himself or herself, who has ^{in this life} come into
accord with God? What life is worth

regard to the school's status. The
myself. I have been for a few
methods in some departments; &
which but my I get into his and
bring myself down again to pro-
titud. Well, I am ed naturally inter-
rupted by visitors. Have had
nearly 150 calls already, native
and foreign. Such a welcome as
I have received is enough to make
any one glad she came back.

Sunday evg. Nov. 3^d Since writing the
above my worldly effects have arriv-
ed, and I have had the pleasure
of looking into my books and read-
ing what Albon was pleased to fa-
vor me with. ^{I had written in my book} As I said before, I am
glad of that way of renewal of
old ties. But I protest against the
idea suggested in one paragraph he
wrote, that "We have no doubt drifted
even further away from each other
in inspiration and ideal than in

living that is not a getting daily
more and more into the likeness
of the Perfect Man? That "univer-
sal betterment on earth" can there
be, or has there ever been, that was
not the outgrowth of Humanity, di-
rectly or indirectly. No, I can't think
he quite intended to draw such a
line between us. I should like to know
if all our mission work here is not
leavening the whole mass of people,
lifting one man into a new sphere,
bringing the entire people slowly up
to a higher civilization, while souls are
coming into the fold of Christ. Come
and see.

I wonder if you and Ladi are
going again to Phila, or if she
will go without you, and if her
father will be off on another lec-
turing tour this winter. How did he
succeed with his story for the "Advance".
Nothing you will write soon and

Let me know if you plan for the
winter with kindest regards to
your mother and sisters, and
love for each of the other two.
I am always very aff^{ly} yours
Lizzie D. Everett.

Tell her she will
probably know better she
what I mean when she
was read the story now
wonder in a leaf.

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