

(Nov. 16, 1900

Vassar

Dear people

It is nearly 10 & I am very sleepy. So I shall write as little as possible. You see I have taken you permission to write on Thursday instead of Wednesday. What do you think has happened to me. Two things both great honors I suppose. One pleasant the other otherwise. I was elected tonight to Beta a chapter of the Philalethean society. Lucile and Cora and some other girls were taken in before, at the last meeting, so I was very pleased to get in. The chapters are a kind of fraternity-social, and gives plays. The uncomfortable thing is that I was elected vice elector, I think that is what they called it to the college settlement business to represent the class. Isn't that awful. I don't know what I have to do. But I know one thing I have to raise money!!. Fancy Isn't that awful? I certainly wish I never had given the \$5.00 and so be come a member. How

on earth can I go around and beg money. Oh dear. And I know nothing about the proceeding.

I am to tired to think how I want my clothes made tonight. The dress from Mrs Morris doesn't sound particularly attractive but, of course I dont know what it looks like. I think I had better have a new winter coat. I think I can get along -

without a new dress if one of the waists, say the green one, could be made up fancy perhaps. I don't need a new hat. As to flannels you will have to get several sizes to big if they are to be washed at college. The washing here is dreadful you don't get back half you send. And they say they shrink flannel so you can scarcely wear them. I am afraid I may have to send for more money before Thanksgiving. I have \$11. still. I am sorry we are so short for money. And try not to spend more than seems necessary

Ruth.

(Ruth Adams, '04