

Vassar, Under the woods under trees.

Sunday afternoon June 9. 1872.

My dear Parents;

In the noon Matt yesterday I received letters from both of you much to my delight as I could not bear to have the week pass with out them.

Last Friday evening we had a chapter meeting for the nomination of officers, which are to be voted upon next week—I was put up for secretary but have no idea that I shall ever fill that office... I will however be better able to tell you after that time.

Saturday the Sophomore & Juniors were all pretty busy— The Sophs, on a account of the party given to the Fresh— and the Juniors on account of the same — for the Seniors— Just before Chapel some of us were privileged to see the College Parlors which the Juniors had fixed up for their entertainment. Really I never saw them look so lovely— before —They for the first time since the college was furnished took home Ctct

down the old pictures of Mr. Vassar's home &ct. and in their place had some of the handsomest pictures In college. They had two harps made of flowers beside ever so many large boquets &ct. In the center of the two rooms they had large balls of ferns— Then too they had the grand piano from the Presidents house in there— All the faculty were invited and from all accounts they had a splendid time— In room J. which opens Into the parlors — they had their table. It was all fixed up too— They had hot & cold supper both and very even allowed wine, just think of that for Vassar. About 3 o'clock we, the Sophs & Fresh— went over to the Gymnasium where we were rec'd. by Miss Cushlng president of the Sophs. From the minute I entered the hall I knew I would have a splendid time for immediately upon entering the room we were handed printed programs for dancing and upon the plantform sat two musicians besides the pianist I could not keep my feet still— the music was so splendid. The Soph were Just as attentive as could be and did every thing they could to make us enjoy our selves. In the society hall refreshments were served from 8.30 — 9.30 The table was set along the platform — which is very low— and in the room small tables were set which held two or three— Several of the Sophs were waitress and looked too pretty for anything they all wore white and on their shoulders long streamers of the College colors... After we danced a long while we sang College songs accompanied by the music— ft was Just splendid and I dont think I ever enjoyed my self more since I have been in College. We stayed up until nearly twelve. . how is that for Vaasar? I hope next year we the class of '75 my make it as pleasant for '76 as '74 has for us. Yesterday Immediately after dinner we had our class elections— which resulted as follows— Miss Lough — pres. Miss Kellog Vice Pres.— Miss Buffington Sec— Miss Hollister Trea.

I don't suppose I need reiterate about our rooms la this letter as no doubt you have received my last telling you the decision and when I get hold of you I am going to ask for some thing real elegant for my room because you know I will be here for three years after this— some thing perfectly lovely. This morning I was in Sue's room and she wanted to know that ti Saliie Herman came to our house whether she might come up to

Vassar with you- as Mrs Herman cannot come up- and Victors is coming with 3 or 4 young gentlemen so that it would not be pleasant for either part if she came with him-- I know you would only be happy of her company but Sue insisted upon my asking you the question- I have been able to get tickets for Auntie and Howard. As yet I am unable to inform you as to "Original sir &ct- but will endeavor to find out who wrote it- Affec- & loving Lucy-
Lucy (Sellers) Barnes, '75