

Vassar College
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

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My dear Auntie,

I was very glad to receive your letter and I don't know now whether I owe you one but I should be very glad to receive two from you to my writing one.

It is extremely cold today and they give us very little heat. I wish I was seated beside your coal fire in the dining room with some apples. Do you keep many flowers this winter? One of the girls in our parlor has some but they are nearly destitute of leaves and do not look very beautiful. The flowers are almost all taken up from the garden and it looks very bare. When I first came it looked beautiful. Almost everything was in blossom. The girls are all writing letters in our parlor in fact, Sunday is the only day we have for letter-writing. I hope to have my room changed before the year is out and room on the south side, for we never have the sun. I never thought so much of it before. Have you still as much company as before?

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Have you been nutting any this year? I got walnuts and chestnuts the other day but I much prefer apples to nuts. Miss Cushings is going to read in Poughkeepsie next week, I should like to hear her very much but I don't suppose I can go. Julie is going as she is a Sophomore. Have you ever heard Miss Cushings read?

Please write very soon for your letters are always gladly received.

With much love to Grandma and Annie

I remain your loving niece

Jennie Ladd (Jennie A. Ladd, ex-76,