

Vassar College.

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Dear Papa,

Mamma and Carrie came to see me last Wednesday and Miss

Lyman gave me permission to go into Poughkeepsie and stay with them until they started for New York* We went to the Morgan House and remained there until Thursday noon. I enjoyed myself very much having them with me but wished they could stay longer. They have now gone to New York and are staying with Mrs. Ward, who is keeping house there.

Mrs. Crabb disappointed them. Mamma had written her that she and Carrie would make her a visit and start from Phil, when Mrs. Crabb wrote back that they had decided to leave on a certain day and could not wait for Mamma.

Mamma bought me a very pretty chair for a Christmas present.

There is so little furniture in our parlor that it is quite an addition. All we are given in a parlor is a table and whatnot and two chairs, if we want any thing else we must buy them ourselves.

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She also bought a very handsome photograph album and also two hundred pictures, for a present for Aunt Maria Robinson. X will take it to her Christmas, for I shall spend my vacation with her in Binghamton. Aunt Maria promised to invite Flora and Viola Cook there at the same time and if they come it will be quite gay.

Mamma and Carrie will be home just in time for a merry Xmas

at home* What a lovely day you will have together. I received a letter from Mrs. Grumble today, a few days ago telling me that Miss Augusta Palm had lost her situation and had gone to Bustreps, to teach. It is too bad. Do you ever go out and see Maj. and Mrs. Grumble?

This is the first Sunday in the month and I went into Poughkeepsie to church. I have never been before but enjoyed it very much. The church is not any larger than ours at home and not as pretty as ours will be. Isn't it finished yet. Mamma said that Mr. Rogers had returned to Austin, and so I shall expect my "testimonials" soon.

With much love and many kisses your aff. daughter

Julie M. Pease.

(Julia M. Pease, '75!