

Vassar College,
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My dear Aunt,

You were very good to write to me again without an answer to your letter. As usual I have been very busy, but still I ought long ago to have acknowledged the receipt of the letter containing the pieces like my dress. Carrie has written me that her silk has been received, and that it is so fine she fears to have Mamma cut it. Mamma says "what shall they do with so much lace?" I think they like our selection but cannot be certain. Carrie is pleased with the gloves and ribbons.

I am ashamed of myself for not having written to Jennie, but shall write today if I can think of anything to write. Do you hear often from her and Kitty?

Is Candace still keeping house? and where is Ediths? I was very sorry to hear of Mr. Thompson's death.

This year I am taking lessons in oil painting. It is quite difficult, for me, but I like it better than drawing from models. My other lessons are French, Latin and Algebra.

Compositions are the worst things for us this year. A good deal is expected from our freshmen essays, and I, for one, cannot write a decent one. Our first subject was "The Position of the Anglo Saxon Element in the English Language" and our next is to translate into good prose several pages from Chaucer.

Aunt Maria wants me to spend the holidays with her and says that Viola and Flora Cook will be in Binghamton then. I don't know whether I shall do so but think I shall go to New York or Brooklyn part of the time, at any rate.

I have four other letters I ought to answer today and so must close with much love to Grandma, Annie and your self, your loving niece
Julie M. Pease.

,Julia M. Pease, '75,

P.S. Is Lucy Clapp married yet?