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Dear Carrie,

There is so much I want to say to you, but I am so discouraged at the thought of writing, that I don't want to take pen to paper. Our talks together have quite spoiled me for the inadequate method of writing. If we could only be together now on the bed in my little Vassar room. Lucy Kellogg | Lucy W. Kellogg, '75, a class-mate has a sister who has just come to Po'keepsle, and intends to remain here all winter to study music - She is at a very pleasant and quiet boarding house, near some friends, and has a parlor with bed-room adjoining. She is to come out here to Chapel every Sunday and stay all day. Now I wish you could do the same. It would be perfectly lovely. If you would only come North early in the spring and stay until June, it would be some help to you in singing, for Miss Kellogg's teacher is said to be a good one. With Kittle at Wood Lawn, it would not be quite as hard for Papa and Mamma to spare you-

Have been into Po'keepsle twice since my arrival there being some things to get for the parlor* and then my "neat but pretty chintz" to attend to. These »*neat but pretty" prints are quite the rage this fall. Almost every girl possesses one, and generally even more of them, so that Miss Terry's heart must be made glad at the sight. My brown one has been somewhat admired, as I presume will be the case with the green. I presume you
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will go to work immediately on yours. Our trips to town this year will have frequent 1 think, as we have only to put our names in the Lady Principal's book in order to do so - no permission is asked, but it is about the same, as the authorities have only to glance at the book and know how frequently we have been absent - I looked at Roger's groups and much as I have always liked "Taking the Oath", thought better to purchase another. The "Oath" is getting somewhat past, and moreover costs more than some others. So X decided to buy "Playing Doctor" and expect it out in the morning. It is very pretty} three children are playing together, one is the patient, another the mother and still another the doctor. The price is \$18.00, so that my accounts will stand in a better relation to you than by getting the other, and this I believe is generally preferred. Just new - Having spent \$15.00 3.00 and 6.00 X should have \$39.50 left. Then \$14.00 is coming in at Christmas, so that if X should find a fifty dollar set which I like I can draw on it for extra amount, and in the winter he can give you for me the remainder of the fourteen*

Last night your note from St. Louis arrived. Papa's letter having come late the morning. X was delighted to hear from you at last, having ejected a letter every day since you left - of course unreasonably • ^Jf^Ml did ^^UL me whether you bought half the things you intended, the chairs etc. And I am very anxious to get a letter from you telling all about everything and everybody. Just as if you were talking to me your own dear self - Please
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thank George for sending those frogs, and tell him that I have intended to write and do so myself, but owing to man's, or rather woman's natural laziness and negligence it has never been done -

Fannie Buff. tMary F. Buffington, '75 j has not yet had time to tell me

much about Kittanning people and their doings, but she did tell me one little item which I will write you for your special edification - She heard from the Dllworths (?) in Philadelphia that they were extremely sorry they did not know I was in the city that time, as they would have liked to see me and show some attention, ficC, Now for the item. Harry D. was delighted with his trip, and especially his visit to Wood Lawn. He thought my sister was so pretty, so lively and so charming: he was very much pleased with her. Fan calls him the young man, but I can think of him only as a small boy, can you?

That damsel must surely have been Miss Florence Smith, for she has been in this country all summer. Miss Dame tells me that her father and self were in Newport, and sold their cottages they are to start in a few weeks for England, where they are to reside in future in Bath where they have spent a great deal of time. I am sorry we did not speak to her when we were so nearly certain of her Identity - Our parlor is getting fixed quite pretty by degrees. The everlasting what-not has been removed to the privacy of my apartment, which is quite large, and we keep out In the parlor only the few books which we want to study daily and some readable ones.

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To my delight we finally decided to furnish the parlor in green, and I only wish you could see it when our curtains and hanging basket are up. But you will next summer when you all come on. I have eight pictures in the parlor and only two left for my bedroom, mine having been declared among those suitable for the most public view. I hope to make or get some more soon however, and my room-mate has one or two small ones for the room * X don't know what I should have done without the gloves you sent me for X have worn them on all occasions - My brown ones have now turned up and I am happy. Don't forget to send on your ear-rings very soon, the comb and ring too. This being as much as you will want to wade through at one time I think, I will close, with the hope of hearing from you very soon. Will write I apa or Mamma in a day or so - I am glad W. Lawn looks so lovely for your return.

With love J-

,Julia M. Pease, '75,