Vassar. April 23 Dear Carrie,

I had not noticed how near the week was to an end. or should have certainly dropped you a line last Thursday or Friday for I know how disappointing it is not to receive a letter at the accustomed time. Your letters are very irregular in arriving hut I attribute that to the mail... [corner of letter torn off] ... Perhaps mine may come next week, as they have been ordered some time. Have seen Nannie Moffett once or twice lately- She has almost given up the idea of coming to Vassar. although she still thinks of trying to enter- Bird Bell expects to go to Europe in June with a party who will remain a year. Nannie M. also thinks of going if her uncles will give their consent - It seems to be a very good opportunity for improvement, as the lady in charge, having been over before, has made all plans with that in view- Founder's Day comes on Thursday, and will pass much as usual. The speaker for the evening is Mr. Russell, vice President of Cornell. The Concert which will take place that afternoon at which time you may imagine me in a state of excitement. The programmes I send to you in advance. The pieces are both very short one being that little thing you liked when played it last Christmas. Clifford's piece Is quite difficult and very pretty.

I have not as yet decided upon my dress. Send a sample of what Is called pine-apple muslin for your and Mamma's approval. It Is said to be very long enduring and will wash. Price about \$1.50 per yd. My Idea, If you all approve, would be to get enough for a waist and overskirt to be made over my old blue silk skirt It waist. It Is so hard to tell what will be serviceable afterwards, and you know better than I what Is at home, and so should tell me - This [could] also be worn over [w-] for evening, end it [] as if it would be useful. If the black lace is not already sent, you need not send it, as I have about given up the idea of using it - What is Papa having another well dug for? Is there not water enough on the place? Do not let Mamma worry about me, I am not working hard and am in no danger of breaking down. She will not find me either thin or puny. Hoping that you all keep well. Yours — Julie