

Poughkeepsie

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Dear Mother

I will add a few words to you this time. Wont you please make me a pr of drawers and a chemise and send them by Henry when he comes? Our washing never comes up to us in less than two weeks after we send it down and so we have to have two suits in the wash and two suits out to wear till we get them again and as I have only three suits I sometimes have to wear my clothes two weeks without changing. Please make them and I will trim them when they get here. There is such a very large wash they cannot get them up any sooner. Lizzie Squler has written to me I send you the letter. If you will write and tell me that I can go some time before Christmas I will be very glad, for I want to get my wrappers and woolen stockings and go away from here once beside. Clara Spaulding is going to have a letter from her parents asking permission for her to go to New York once a month to see her sister who is at school there. I wish I could have father write a note to President Raymond asking if I could go down Thanksgiving or on Friday night and stay till Monday. They do not have vacation but the girls say they are going to write for permission to go away then.

I am sorry to hear you are working very hard. I am sorry I did not stay at home till the house was put in order If you are going to work so.

Your affectionate daughter Ella.