

Vassar College,

June 18, 1866.

My dear Mother,

This may be the last letter I write home before I appear there in my bodily presence. I don't feel half as near home as I did three weeks ago. Even the sight of our trunks in the hall fail to give me a realising sense of our approaching meeting. Just now we are living in clover, as far as studies are concerned. Latin has ceased, Hattie's Greek stopped a week ago, gymnastics are over, and we have only ourselves and the public meeting to attend to, and the members of twenty-three are not at all concerned in that personally- We'll come home as fresh as can be. We held our Society

elections last week, the results were as follows: Miss Dickinson Pres.

Miss Goods ell Vice Pres. Miss Talbot Sec. Miss Glover Treas. All

but one were western girls. Miss Mitchell insists that its only the western girls (handwriting changes here, who do the talking in Society, and she is nearly though not wholly right. Tuesday noon. Mattie has some studying to do and wants her letter to go this noon so I am finishing it. She received your letter this morning and we were delighted to hear from you again. How soon we shall be at home. Don't worry about our clothing. I guess we can manage to look respectibly at church without anything new for one Sunday. I dont like to ask you about it again but have you forgotten that I want some money. I don't know but my note

to you about it failed to be put into a letter to Helen that it was written

to go with. I asked you. If Father was certainly coming for us to send

me \$ 15.00 if not \$55.00. I think now it is so uncertain that I wish very

much that if you would send the whole immediately if you have not sent

any, or the remainder if you have sent part. I am afraid if it is not

sent soon that we shall have to wait, and I want some money to get

some things here. I do hope that Father will come. It will be so much

pleasanter. We now expect to start Wednesday noon, If so, we shall be

at home Thursday at about half past five. Will you be glad to see us ?

and shall not be glad to see you all. We girls are anxiously awaiting

the arrival of the proof sheet of our paper. You know we talked about

having one and Father wrote to us he was afraid we would neglect our

studies for it and so we gave up the idea; but some of the girls were

very anxious we should get it up, after Greek was closed and we had

so much more time. I thought Father would not care It so wrote an article for it,

and helped about it generally for two day. It is being printed in New York. We

expect it will be here by Saturday. I wrote to Father about it

last Saturday, and sent my letter to Washington. I hope he received it.

He wrote to me he expected to go home the last of last week or the first

of this and by your letter I see he had not come home Saturday morning. We had

strawberries for tea last night In great abundance- They were

delicious. We have had them only once before and then the girls at our

table ordered and paid for them. The dinner bell has rung, and I must go. After

dinner. I have received a letter from Father Ik he say he has told Mr. Colburn to

send me some money- so it is all right. I am very sorry that he probably will not be here to come home with us. Good by

Your loving Hattie.