

Vassar College. Jan. 20, 1895,

My dear Mother , -

Your welcome letter came yesterday. Now that the Christmas rush is over, not so many letters come to our room. But I always know I shall hear from home regularly, for you are all so good about writing.

What a terrible storm you had - to judge from the newspaper account. Some of the snow came here. It is beautiful and sunshiny out today, though it is pretty cold.

Tonight we are to have a famous speaker at the Y.W.C.A. prayer meeting, I mean missionary meeting - Lady Henry Somerset. I believe she has just come over from England, but I am not sure. Friday night we had a very interesting lecture by Mr. Chas.

Walcott, the head of the U.S. Geological and Coast Survey. He spoke on the "Work and Methods of the U.S. Survey - told us how they made the surveys, in detail, and why they made them and so on. It was all illustrated by stereopticon maps and views. Mr. Walcott is an old friend of Prof. Dwight, Prof. of Geology. Miss Salmon made use of the stereopticon apparatus in the afternoon, to talk to us about Charlemagne - I mean to our history class. She has promised all the semester to talk to us some recitation - She is fine and everybody likes to hear her. We will have her for history next September, if we elect it, so I want to elect it then. For next semester I elected Jan. 20, 1895 -2

4 hrs. 2 hrs. 2 hrs.

Chemistry. Greek and History of Art - Besides that we have two hrs, each of Latin and Greek, and three of English required.

I think our Latin will not be so interesting next semester as this, but our Greek and English will be more so. We will have Prof. Leach for the elective Greek.

We miss Mary very much and wish she could be here, but we are very fortunate in having Carrie in her place, instead of having a strange Freshman put in. Mary does not tell much about herself in her letters. I packed her things in her old trunk Friday, and sent them to her by express. She had us keep all the things that were useful or ornamental in the parlor. Carrie was quite tickled to room us, for she was not very happy with her Freshman, whom she did not know before -

Examinations begin a week from tomorrow, and oh dear!

They make them hard and long - Then the year will be half over.

Time goes quickly.

Lovingly Adelaide. jClaflin,