

Baden, April 27th, 1873

Dear Grandmother!

I received your last letter on Thursday and was very glad to get it. I wrote to Mary Sickles about two weeks ago, and I expect a letter from Rose soon.

I would like a letter from Percy, but I have no time to write first, but I would answer a letter from him if I got one, besides I was to see if he has made any progress.

There is a young American lady here, from Cleveland, Ohio, knows Eva White and she has heard of your Golden Wedding, but she had forgotten the name. She had been at Vassar and she like it very much; she has

told me so much about it, that I want to go dreadfully badly, and if Papa has money enough, when we get back to America, which I think he will, I am going, to give a finishing touch to Latin and music, and learn some Greek, Algebra, Rhetoric and Astronomy.

Was not there some talk of Ms. Sickels bringing Lydian and the girls over to Europe this year? It would be nice if they came and left the girls here with me. I suppose I shall stay here until we go back to America, as I like the school and the girls very much. I am going to begin to draw heads. I am very glad about it, because they are much more interesting to draw than

plain landscapes. Please do not write anything to mama or papa about it, because I want to surprise them, when I go to Gotha in the summer vacation.

Aprils is a dreadful month here; yesterday it snowed dreadfully one minute, and the sun came out and shone very brightly the next. We don't have such sudden changes, at least in America, as here. Miss Cowles and I were talking about American eating the other day, and I was so surprised, she said they had dried beef in Cleveland too, I thought that was only to be had in Chester County.

Give my love to grandpapa, Becky, and all inquiring friends from your affectionate granddaughter.

Lilian Taylor