



Waverly, O. Sep 12, 1896.

Miss Lambert,
Westerville, Ohio.

My Darling Berfy: I am seated at the window, using the sill as a desk. Just across the St. is a nice little park which borders on the canal and makes quite a pleasant little view.

Your much appreciated letter came to hand yesterday noon. I left Piketon Friday morning, did not do much work there, but did fairly well here, as I sold 8 Triv. and 10 Sat. making 44 in all last wk. (I did not get to work Mon.)

I shall leave here early in the morning for Chillicothe. I think that place has been pruned some but do not know how much so I may not stay there long

I may decide to quit there and enter school, but I rather expect to work on a short time yet.

I enjoy the work more now than when I commenced and think it will be of no small help to me in life. Times are very close, yet I have no reason to complain. Last Friday the thermometer registered ~~within~~ ^{22°} of the highest of this yr at this place so it was pretty warm for book agts. The Co. want you to work all winter but I can't lose the time.

I read the book I Cor. this morning and went to Church, did not go to S.S. Mr. Cress of Toledo spoke on S.S. work and will address a meeting of men only, this P.M.

You had not mentioned the marriage of those parties but it seems to me you said they

became quite devoted in a short time. If all the rest of the Glebe marry you can have all the house to yourself, but perhaps you want to go on the same excursion too - I won't object if you do, just so I have half interest in the affair. Of course we are to blame and it is too bad that so many of the innocent and fair sex are thus decoyed from their homes against their will(?) and have to even change their names for such naughtiness.

But so is life. I don't feel much condemned for stealing the heart of a Glebe. One is all I want, but I must have one and think sometimes it will be impossible to wait much longer to claim the prize, but of course there are several such become

to be learned before we are
prepared for our work. I wish
to be submissive to the Masters
will in all things, so if we can
better accomplish the work given
us by remaining as we are
I know you want to adopt that
plan. Perhaps when we are
together more we will be better
content. My trunk is already
packed at Athens and ready
to ship at any time.

I think we will stand a
pretty fair show with five nights
per. wk. at our disposal. The
kitchen is good enough place
for us anyway if they run us
out, but for eight yrs I have
had rather a home feeling in



the surroundings of your home
parlor and somehow that feeling
grows deeper all the time and
if Fred finds as much comfort
there as I have it would seem
almost cruel to deny him two
nights per wk. (of course Carrie thinks so too)

I think if you are as
true in heart as you are in
writing no complaint could be made
but I know you are true in
every sense of the word and surely
no one could be more loving, con-
siderate and patient, than you
my "Loo". You have overlooked
my imperfections and shortcomings
in a way that binds me to you
with love's strongest ties and
I so often feel my unworthiness

but trust that by giving myself
entirely to the Master He may use
me to glorify Him.

You have been so very helpful
to me and the more I confide in
you and enter into your life the
more I feel that molding and
refining influence in my life
and it seems to me that when
we shall become one this influence
will be much more powerful and
lasting. We have superhuman
work to do and must have
superhuman power in order to
accomplish it and if by deny-
ing self and the world we can
draw nearer to God, how much
better it will be when we enter
the eternal kingdom which so
soon shall come.

I am pleased to know
that you are enjoying your work

I don't believe I could conjugate
"sum" now as I have not read
any Latin since March.

This is quite a nice little
town but like most places Satan
seems to be on the throne. I met
one of the Ada boys here last
evening, Mr Daily. I heard a
Republican speech last night.

I don't know yet how to
vote this Fall. I get so many
of hearing ignorant men prating
about on all questions that
I really would like to ~~have~~ stay
in school several yrs yet.

I will quit now to attend the
lecture at the Court House so you
can think of what I have said until
my return, bye-bye.

Here I am again, heard
a good lecture, and whom should
I see but C. H. McCormick. I had

only a few moments to talk with him. He is still afflicted. He advises me to stay with school. He asked if I was married and asked several questions about your folks and of course I bit at once.

This is such a lovely evening I think I shall take a short walk.

As my stay at Chillicothe is uncertain perhaps if you have time you might write pretty soon, ^{to Chillicothe} but if you are too busy to write the first of the wk. perhaps you had better wait until I write again. It seems too bad to have you miss your book but it did me lots of good. Let us continue to look up. Pray for me "Dear" and may God watch over me and keep me safe.

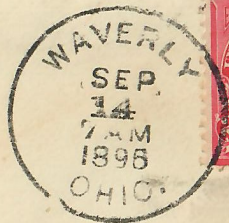
Your devoted Jos.

Two canal boats are passing each drawn by two horses. Bed Time. I heard three excellent addresses today. Goodnight, Love.

J. H. Harris

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