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Dear Joe: - Once more
I embrace this pleasant
opportunity. I have succeeded
in getting my patients all
to bed, and the babies ^{to} asleep
and now I come to spend
a few moments with you,

But somehow this way
of meeting with you does
not satisfy me tonight.
I long to pour out my thoughts
with you, face to face, who I
know would be willing to
listen to every trifling sorrow
or discouragement. This has
been a rather strange day to me
and tonight I feel somewhat
lonely.

If I were inclined, to let
my feelings get control of
me I might be a little
homesick tonight, but I have
learned, that cheerfulness
is a duty as well as it
is for our good, so I do
not dare yield to such feelings.

Alta & Nellie are both sick
with colds and I came over
from church, to see what
I could do for them, I have
been using my skill all
the afternoon in making
poultices &c. but do not
know what success I will
have. However I hope, they will
be better soon for Nellie's case
seems somewhat serious.

I wish you were here to
help pass the time away
for I do not enjoy staying up alone.

I presume you wonder which place I am staying, I am still at Selby's most of the time but am over here quite frequently, in fact I guess I stay both places.

S. S. was reorganized to day. Frank Harris was elected Supt., Mande Burns Sec'y. Geo. Hanson Chorister. The people were as enthusiastic over the matter as usual. They are becoming very much interested concerning an organ, and I hope before the summer is over, to hear that old Mt. Hermon echoes with the "sound of the organ" Although I would not wish it if I thought it would cause any hard feelings.

I have almost decided where I shall spend the summer at last if everything turns out as you know

Hannah has always wanted me to spend a summer with her and I have almost decided to go, and - and - (yes I will say it if you will not laugh) I think of trying to get up a chorus class while there I feel that I am hardly competent for such a work but she has insisted that I come, and I think the practice will do me a great deal of good and I am sure I would enjoy it.

Hannah has a good piano which I would of course have use of and she could help me a great deal in music

What do you think of it? Is it a crazy idea? If so please be free to say so.

I believe Prof. Smith has a new book out since I was at Ada?

I think of going home for commencement which will be the first of June. Carrie graduates in the High School this year and of course I am quite anxious to be there. When shall I see you again I wonder? I presume you think I am getting anxious but I did not want my arrangements to conflict with yours. I must bring this scribbline to a close so good night & a kiss. Lovingly Yours, Bertha.



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