

Westerhill O, Feb. 25th 36.

Mr. Harris,

Ada O.

My Dear Joe: - While you are perhaps enjoying a mental & spiritual feast at Mansfield, I will talk with you for a little while although you may not listen until Tues. morning.

This has been another pleasant Sabbath. I have attended my usual number of services and enjoyed them all.

I listened to two splendid sermons by Dr. Funkhouser from Dallas. This was N. B. Seminary day and we all had the chance to use our pocket-books!

I really wish I were able to give what I would like to at such times. But it is not so much what we give but how we give.

Our meeting closed tonight, and while half had not been accomplished that I hoped for, I know there has been a great deal of good done. If I knew of nothing else I could say there has

been a great work wrought in my own heart.

I feel much better acquainted with God than one month ago, and many others say the same.

So while we did not see the acres saved that we hoped for, we can realize that the meeting was not in vain.

After our Prep. prayer meeting this P. M. we went down and sang for the janitor's wife who is an invalid. She seems so cheerful and happy in all her afflictions that it seemed to help all of us and made us

forget that we had any trials
I presume you have all
been enjoying a pleasant
time at Mansfield. I believe
I will have a pretty good
report. Ira will talk
about it for two weeks.
But yet I believe you could
tell it better than he.

I think the past few
weeks have been the busiest
ones I ever witnessed.

I tried to attend church
and do the full amount
of other work besides.

But I think the busiest
time is over now and
I can give more direct
attention to my studies.

I am sorry to know that
Alice grows worse, and
although there be no ^{ad} death
it can not help
but seem sad to give
up life so young.

I do not fear death
as I once did but yet I
have a desire to live and
work for Christ as long
as I can. But if God
can accomplish more
by taking my life now
I am willing that
he should have it.

I can not tell as yet
when I will spend the
summer. Lucy has been
asking about me
coming up there again
but it seems that I
can not decide as yet.

In speaking of the
summer school you awakened
a new thought in my
mind. I presume our
association will send
some one, but it will
perhaps be some one
who is nearer through
the course than I, but
I know it would be
a great blessing, and one
which can not be found
in college walls.

I meant to sympathize
with you in helping you
with your essay, but I
had to stay up until
2 o'clock to prepare
my production for society
last week and had not
found time as yet.

I was so much impressed
with the character of Jenny
Lind, in reading her life
that I used her as the
subject of my Character Sketch.
I have wondered if there
was not some special
attraction for Howard in
California. But whether
there is or not, I think
the trip would be very
enjoyable.

While I have been very busy
all the time, it seems like
a long time since I was
in many ways. But do
not think I am complain-
ing, although I would
very much enjoy spending
this evening with you.
I forgot to tell you that
Mr. Barr did not stay but
a little while. He said
he could not make it
go here, but he said he
could read Latin & Greek
at Ada. I think possibly
he intends coming back
some time. I am trying
to leave everything in God's
hands believing that he
will lead us.

Good night

Your loved one
Bertha

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