

9. A.M.

Westerlyville O., Sept 2. '97.

My Darling Joe:- Your letter
just recd. I am well and
have hardly seen a spare
moment since you left.
It is too bad you had to wait
so long in Columbus.
I went back home after you
left and Lora wanted me
to go up and stay all night
with them as they were alone.
I forgot that I would be
expected to stay awake and
visit until 10 o'clock and
so I went. I came home yester-
day morning, looked the
house over, (and especially
the rooms you had occupied)
and felt that their main
feature of attraction had departed.
What a sacred solemn silence
reigned through the house.

But I thought I must get
 to studying so I went up
 stairs and stayed until dinner
 time. Just as I was called
 to dinner I looked out my
 window and saw Lucy, Helen
 and Dwight coming up the
 pt. Lucy stayed until 2:55.
 She was on her way home from
 Dayton. Father and Mother
 went with her to the park
 and brought Mrs. Wayne, John
 and Mother back with them.
 She stayed until this morning
 so you see how the time
 has been spent since you
 left. We look for Marnie
 Lambert today. I have not
 had time to get lonesome but
 still my mind has been
 wandering away off some place
 seeking for something which is
 not near at hand.

But - I have not cried any,
 I just - felt that God was
 working things for His glory
 and our good. I do not
 know but there was something
 in the way we separated last
 Spring. I am sure I felt
 much better satisfied this time.
 Lucy said tell you she would
 love to see you and that
 you need not run off every
 time just before she came.
 I think our visit was just
 complete, I surely never enjoy
 it - will always be one of those
 bright spots in our lives.
 Wouldn't it be lovely when we can
 have a visit - like that - which
 will have no separations
 I took Mrs. Mayne through the
 college and Association buildings

before breakfast as she had to leave about 7. It made me just begin to realize that school will soon open. I am so thankful that my eyes seem so well. I believe it is simply through God's help that they are so strong and I trust He will continue to give me strength for study.

Now may He guide us in the right way and keep us very near to Him.

Your own true Sweetheart,
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