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Miss Bertha Lambert,
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Darling Bertha: Your
"Sunshine" came to hand
in due time and found
me feeling as well as a
"lonely lover" could well feel.

I wrote to you as soon
as I arrived as I know
there is always a feeling of
anxiety attendant the departure
of our friends. I realized
that so much when you
left me at Ada that I
thought then I would always

be punctual in that respect.
Of course I shall try not
to worry on account of your
affliction, but "Dear" it makes
me feel sad to know that you
have to suffer and that it
inconvenience you so much.

I believe you will not continue
your work at the expense of your
health, but perhaps you will
not be troubled long. However
should you be compelled to
lay your work aside do not
worry at all so far as our
relation is concerned. You
are my "Good One" and it is
you, you alone and not your sur-
roundings ^{Education etc} however helpful they
may be that I seek. No doubt you

next letter will tell me you
are in school.

You must have strained
your eye in looking at me so
much^(?). It was too bad^(?) to
be run off^(?) before breakfast,
but just give me a chance and
see if I don't run back again
faster than I ran off. Do you see?

I am very fortunate in
securing good places to stay.

I am in a good Christian
family and everything is in
perfect order. My work so far
has not been very promising
here but perhaps I can
make up for it later.

There has been a great
deal of political enthusiasm.

Last Sat. I heard ^{the} Lentz & Watson
debate, which I believe you have
at W. this wk. also. Lentz had
it all his own way here.

Last night I listened to
the "Silver" Prof. Powers of N.Y.
He used stereoscopic views
and I never heard anything
to equal it in the way of
a campaign speech. He held
his audience for two hundred and forty-
five minutes and I think the
majority would ^{have} willingly listened
that much longer. But as you
are for gold you can very

little for this kind of talk.

Prof De Motte lectures tonight.

I have visited Mt. Pleasant
here which was the scene of Lewis
Wetzels and Albert Maywood's
defence against five hundred Indians
and at the same time Maywood
found his "betrothed" who had been
stolen by the Indians eighteen
months before. I went up on
the rock and imagined the
scene and then went down to
town and read the story "Forest
Rose" Rose Forester was Albert's
betrothed. I attended the M.E. ch.

Sat. morning and Pres. in
the evening. I rec'd a letter
from Mr. Fisher at Wooster.

He thinks he will not join
society there. I have nothing
definite yet about school but
am full of hope. I had hoped
that we might get a rest from
our continuous correspondence
but as the best way is hedged
to us we can be thankful for the
next best and continue our
correspondence.

After getting settled down
in my room Thurs night
I spent most of the evening
with the blessed "Old Word". I
tried to tell the Master all our
plans and asked His blessing

to rest upon me then. I
continued quoting His promises
and then asked that the way
might be made very plain
and that power should be given
to overcome obstacles, and I
received such a blessing that
I felt a perfect calm and repose
and I have confidence to believe
that all will end well. If my
work does not prove profitable
enough to permit me to enter
school we must not chafe
nor fret. If it takes a long
time to get through school
I will know how the means
came. God is good and just
and will make every sacrifice
we make count in eternity.

you have felt the hand of affliction
all your life, but that does not
hinder you from being the "dear"
and "loving" little girl you are,
and you can do a work which no
one else can do. And those weak
eyes are much prettier to me
than any well ones I ever saw,
and you are constantly overlooking
my own defects which others see
with critic's eye. It is a great play
which we cannot understand, but I thank
God that we are one except in the ~~the~~
eyes of the law, and that cannot
hinder our thought can it "Dear"?

Wed. ^{Oct. 7} All O.K. and hope this may
find my sweetheart in good
health. Unless you hear from me
again please address me here.

Your Love

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