

Bartlett P. Jan 6. 1895.
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Dear Joe: - While the
rain continues its "fitter-fatter"
I gladly improve a few moments
in reply to your welcome
letter just read the second time.
I believe you have described
my feelings on your departure
better than I can express
them, but it seemed that I
did not realize myself as
myself until I arrived
in Athens Co. once more.
After you left on Tues. morning
I made three fashionable? calls
in the forenoon, including one
on Mr. Bushnell, but we
left off the usual greeting.

In the afternoon I went to
the dentist's office where I
sat for three hrs. in the embrace
of Dr. Custer, and in the
evening rec'd three calls.
Wed. morning I went to chapel
and then hurried home to
pack my valize and bid
good-bye to the loved ones.
Although I was always a
lover of home I must say
that I have learned to
appreciate it in a better
sense. I have also learned
that, no matter how dear
it may be we must not
let our love for it destroy
our work of usefulness
in life.
We left on the 10:36 train
as we had some shopping
in Columbus.

We left Columbus about
three and arrived at Sharps-
burg about 7, where we found
Alva waiting with the sled.

I must confess I have had
to work pretty hard to keep
off homesickness & loneliness
but I will find plenty to
take up my mind now.

I was at Permon today
and think I am rather
getting ahead for I need
several congratulations.

I heard your father was
sick but think he must
be better for Howard was
at church.

I am sorry I must bring
this to a close but want
to send it with Alva

and will write again soon.
The snow is going off
with a rain today.

May God's choicest blessings
rest upon you is the
sincere wish of your friend
Bucha.

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