

Miss Sambrat
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Darling Bertha: your message arrived yesterday morning and of course I did not tarry long in opening it. You sent so much inspiration that I almost felt myself back to Tues. evening. I am getting along moderately well with my work and am having a good visit beside.

Carlos came in yesterday so we have been very busy all the time. I attended S. S. twice today. We went out to see Uncle Geo's today. I went to S. S. here before going and then attended their school there at 2 P.M.

O yes I had Bertha in my arms and on my knee today, but it was not my Bertha, I just wished it might have been my Bertha instead. It was Sam's little girl. Sam's wished me to remember her to you. I think I never longed more for your presence than I have this wk.

I have been wondering what to do with my trunk, but guess I will leave it here for the summer. I cannot refrain longing for the time when we shall have a little cottage of our own where we may keep trunks etc.

I presented my grades to the com. here. They said it would make pretty solid work but thought I might make it all right in two yrs and I can take elective work in such a way as to get credit for one yr work in Med. College. So by working pretty hard I could finish the A.B. work and at the same time get one yr credit for a Med. School in 2 yrs. The tuition is free. The incidental fee is \$2.50 or \$3 per term. I wish I might get such an opportunity at Otterbrie.

I am undecided about my course of work this wk. I think I can do some good work here yet although it ^{at the school} has been quite thoroughly worked for other works. I want to finish the work here, go to Marietta and to your place. I can get half rates

to Col. June 1, 2, good for returning until June 5
so it is possible I may run in for a day or
two to see how the work is, but I will try not
to disturb you much until you are through
with school work. If I can arrange to be
with you a day or two during com. I shall
be more than pleased to do so. I am sure
you have the first place in all my plans
and if we have to be separated it will be only
because it seems necessary in order that we
may enjoy our companionship the more when
we unite our little fortunes in one.

I too am glad for missing the train. It
seems to me you could not be more loving
than you were that evening, but I know that
you will always be just that way if I do my part
and as I feel these lines I cannot help asking
God to direct me and make me such a character
as will be worthy to be the name husband to such
a True and Loving little girl as you.

Do not depend too much on my coming to W.
this wk. Do not make arrangements for entertaining

me, because I will put up elsewhere when
coming on business and will then visit with
you. All the time we may both have to spare.

I think you may address your next ^{to them} letters
and I will have it forwarded. I hope this may
find you well and having a nice time all round.
I can scarcely become reconciled to being out of
school. The boys here are treating me royally.

I had a long talk with Mr Powell (Pres. minister)
Friday. He asked me all about my life plans
and then set forth very clearly the advantages
offered in the Pres. Church, etc.

Good Night.

Your Sover, J. H. Harris.



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