

Kesterville O. Feb. 21. '96.
Mr. J. A. Harris,
Ada O.

My Dear Joe: — I will write
a few lines this morning.
Both of your letters were recd.
and they brought such satisfaction
to my mind that it seems I
almost sat down to enjoy
myself and did not think
how anxious you were to hear
from me. However this has been
an unusually busy week and
like you I hardly know whether
to mention our letters until our visit.

Father was at home this week
and he always seems like
a visitor. We had no school
Thurs. but we had company
and I had to write a production
for society, so the day was taken
up. Today Mother & we girls
are invited out in the country
about a mile to spend the
day, but I hardly know
whether I will go or stay,
and study. And now what
shall I say about your letter.
I know I looked rather sober
until I came to those lines
concerning my missionary
work, when I must say I
laughed right out.

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You may think strange that I should manifest myself that way, but such a thought as that came to me only a few days before, and it felt that I should praise God that possibly yet our lines would be spent together. While the med. work ~~work~~ has always seemed repulsive to me yet for Christ's sake and for the sake of those who suffer such tortures because of such med. I think I could make it seem pleasant.

I had never thought of that line
of work for myself and I do
not know that you meant
it in that way. However we
will talk of this in a few
days. I just believe things
are working out for the best.
I surely do not feel the
least uneasiness it regards
to our future.

I shall not try to write a
long letter this morning, as
I expect to talk with you soon.
I shall look for you on Thurs.
evening, if I do not hear
otherwise. I shall be disappointed
if you wait until Fri. I think
I will have no recitations that

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day and I could not think
of wanting to stay away another
day.

Yes I think we will do
some reading - possibly some
from "Emerson".

To move this morning
Lovingly
Bertha.

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