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My dear Mamma - This is a beautiful day and very warm. We went down to the M.E. Church this morning because we found out that Israel Jordan was going to preach there. We liked him very much. We probably had the same sermon that you had last Sunday. His text was from the third chapter of Philippians the last part of the last clause of the eighth verse. I wore my new hat (my old one fixed over) and my spring jacket and then just about roared. The church was nearly

killed and a good many from the
Congregational Church go there now.
Mr. Huckleby our music teacher used
to be organist at the Cong. Church but
he wasn't strong enough for them so
they discharged him and got a new
one all of the choir resigned and some
of them went down to the M.E. Church so
they had some singing there this
morning. We sat with Mr. John Huckleby.
It seemed more like Sunday than
any day has since I have been here.
There was a minister from Cumberland
Mill at the Cong. Church to day and Miss
Fickett said that all he talked about
was about his going blue berrying up
on Mt. Russell and getting lost.

After dinner we went to walk. We
sat out on the old iron house steps
for a long while and then we went
down to the old Academy.

If you know anyone who wants to go
some where where there is something
going on for excitement send them on
here. Last Thursday night they had a
wake down to the Feameys. That fellow
that was killed by the train was an
Irishman and his folks are Catholics
so they had a big time Thursday
night.

Friday morning Emma and I went
down to the milliners with my hat. When
we got down into the village we saw
that one of the streets was crowded with

men. We soon found out what
the matter was. There had
been a burglary and they
had got into the burglars
in one of the stores and every
one was down there. Four of
the stores were broken into.
The jewellers, a shoe store, Emery's
big dry goods store and a
grocery store. (Summer side, the one
that has been broken into so
many times).

Emery and I went on down
to the milliners and she
said that as my hat was
made on a frame she
could fix it up very prettily.
She put on a new crown of a
new kind of straw trimming
of an ecru color. The ribbon is
of two kinds a dark brown
and a light brown. The flowers
are very pretty I guess they

were made to represent bachelors
buttons and are of an old rose
color. I have not got any chiffon
on it so I can wear it in
damp weather. I have been 187
turned up on one side and
the new crown changes it so
that you would never know
that it was the same hat.
I do not have anything very
light on it so I can wear
it quite late in the fall.

The girls say it is the most
becoming hat I ever had.
It cost \$2.37. I found I could
not get any hat as trimming
for what you said.

Yesterday morning Miss White
fell down stairs and hurt
her ankle so she has to stay
in the house. Mr. Conther has
gone to Boston. So you see we
did not have many teachers

Saturday. This is a slit pen and it acts dead fully.

Last night we had some great music I tell you. One of the girls has a friend visiting her who is studying music in Germany and is now home on a vacation. She is just about the size of Rev. Jordans sister Mrs. Brown. but she could dance just the same. We had the best time we have had a Saturday night in a long while and Eva missed it when she did not come out.

Next Monday night we have another reception but as I have not anything to wear I shall not go down stairs.

Grace is coming home next Saturday night if she does not change her mind before that time. Charles is going in town Fast Day and so she will probably be out here next Sunday.

The class above us gave a reception to that part of the class who do not board in the Hall. No one was invited except the class and some of the teachers. They had ice-cream and cake. It was from 4 o'clock until half past five. I guess they had a pretty good time.

It is getting real green and it is all dry around here. How is the travelling at home? Did you look for that School Report for 1896?

There is a Drama here Fast night given by local talent. We may go if we can. I don't have the least idea

what we shall do. Probably
stay in the house all day.
They will probably make us
stay part of the day.
If we only had a horse &
team we would go up to
Setags Lake. It is only
seven miles from here.

One night after school we
played croquet it was the
first game I have played
since I have been here.

We have just got in from the
evening meeting. We went
down to the Methodist again.

The vestry was full and
we had to set up front on
a settee near the platform
and face the rest of the
audience.

I like their prayer meeting
because they sing so much

Ennis & I started to read
a book this afternoon but
we shall probably never get
a chance to finish it.
I was asking one of the girls
tonight if we had to keep
silent study hours Fast
Day and she said they
had to last year so we shall
probably have to this. I think
it is a pity we cannot have
one day to ourselves. But
it is study all the time
holidays and all. We heard
the other day something about
a reception for the graduating
class. When is it to be?
Are the alumni going to do
anything this year.
Is the graduation over

Friday evening?

I wish it was Saturday night so that we might come home to it.

Well I must leave this letter for tonight and if I have time will write a little in the morning.

Good night Harriet.

This is a lovely morning and possibly Emma and I shall walk. There goes the breakfast bell so I shall have to go down & eat my hash and corned beef.

Such an elegant day I would like to go to ride. if I only had my wheel here. Well I shall be late to breakfast if I don't stop