

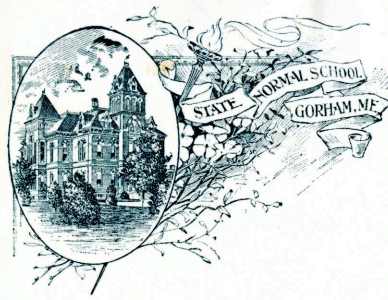
minute to write to Aunt
Ida to thank her but
will when I am home.

My satch was carried
through to Portland so
I did not get it until
Wednesday morning.

I am a C now and to day
began my new studies
I could write a lot more
but it is getting late and
I am tired so I must
close and tell you the rest
when I am home.

I shall be there next
Saturday night if nothing
happens so Goodbye until
then. Harriet.

Our class pic came to night
they are very pretty. I will
bring mine home. Also a picture
of one of the girls who graduated.



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January 26th '99.

My dear Maamma:- Today has
been a horrid day. The
girls went this noon and
I tell you it was a pretty
leary time. Mr. Cothell let
us off at eleven o'clock in
the morning and told us
we could go and rest until
time for school in the
afternoon. We went down to
the train to see the girls off
at one o'clock and when
we were coming home from
the station some one asked
us if any one was dead.
It is awful lonesome and

I am very glad I shall be
home next Sunday for I
could never stand it to stay
here. The graduation and
reception went off all right
only I got awful tired.
I did not see many of the
people to be around with
them for I had to serve
cocoa all the evening and
had to stand all of the
time. After every one had
gone we had to go and
say good bye to one of the
girls who was to leave at
quarter before six in the
morning so we did not
get to bed until nearly
twelve o'clock. Helen was
out here but I saw

very little of her. I guess
she had a good time.
There were about twenty
men here all day
Wednesday at at the
reception in the evening.
They were the Educational
Committee and a few
Senators & Representatives.
The Gov. was unable to be
here. Ex. Gov. Robt. Col. Plummer.
Senator Blanchard. Dr.
Peckely, Senator Burns, Supt.
Stetson & Mr. Conthelf made
speeches in the afternoon
after the diplomas had
been presented and some
others but I don't remember
their names.

I got my pinks all right
but have not had a

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Dear Herman:-

I was
very glad to get a
letter from you but
I should like to
know who Teddy
Travers is. Is there
any skating around
home?

There is a very long steep hill here and the boys slide on it one night Grace and I had a slide with them. There is another smaller hill in front of the school house where they slide: Some of the boys slide on

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a queer little thing
they call a spider.
It has a small
seat and four legs
and runners. They
look queer coming
down a hill toward
you. Have you
ever seen one?

If you want to get me a Christmas present a box of toilet soap would come in handy. What do you want?

I guess you have not had very many paths to shovel or very many cold mornings to build your fires lately.

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I am going to stay
with Charles to
night and Grace
is going to have
my room. The
lamp is going out
so I must go to bed
Good night
Harriet.

It is a lovely morning
and I am going to
take this letter down
to the P.O. now.

We have just had
one of our lectures
at the foot of the
stairs.

Hoping to see you
Friday I remain
your loving sister
Harriet