

Versailles, Ky.

March 17-1902.

Dear Cary:-

It was my intension to write you Friday, but after finishing my lesson it was more than the time to retire.

Saturday as soon as I got out of school I went to Frankfort to see Hint and just returned about two hours ago.

I had a delightful time but most always do every where I go.

I will be pleased to have you come up Friday, 22nd and stay over Sunday with me. I suppose you have heard of Versailles being very dull. If not, probably you can take my word for it

but I can show you better than I can
tell you. I will try and keep
your spirits up for such a short time
so far, yes, so far from your friends,
Miss Ramey.

I was at the feeble minded institute
yesterday afternoon and I believe I
have it bad now for I can't collect
my thoughts worth a cent.

If it is convenient for you to come
please let me know on what train
you will, so I can meet you at the
train. I have written for Sam too.

Hoping to see you soon. I am
your true friend

Bess Shaw

Nov 22nd / 03

Sunday eve 7 O'clock

My Dear Casey

Your letter was received Thursday, It is needless to say I was glad to hear from you, that is always understood. We are all well I had a severe spell of sick head ache yesterday as a result of hog killing. we killed hogs Thursday and of course I had a great deal to do though I had splendid help "Sam Marshal" helped me to render up the lard and he did it much better than a woman. We sent for his wife but she was sick and could not come so he came. I wish you and Thompson had some of our fresh sausage & ribs

Sarah is much better, she and
aunt Ella were up this afternoon
I feel hopeful she will get along
all right now. Bennie says you
^{are} thinking of going to Lexington
"Thanksgiving" is Thompson going?
Barry I am so anxious for you
to be with the nice boys. I saw
a notice of the coming event
in yesterday's paper, which led
me to believe it would be a
rather rough place I will clip
it out and send it to you. I do
not want to deprive you of any
pleasure that it is best for you
to have, I do not say not go, but
I do say be very careful who you
go with. Be very careful of your
reputation, guard it as you
would a precious jewel. When a
boy's character is gone there is
nothing left.

1903 Newspaper clipping

returned - date [unclear]

Kentucky University and Kentucky State College will indulge in a disturbance in Lexington on the day of thanks, which is alleged to be an amateur exhibition of the heretofore college game of football. Each board of managers has given the other full consent to bring on whom they like, and no questions asked. That the exhibition will probably end in a "rough house" with the spectators joyously participating, will not be surprising, viewing the conditions that exist at present and the records of the past.

As far as deciding any championship either State or Southern by this game it would be absurd to discuss it.

JOE DAVIS.

Perhaps you think I am giving
you a sermon. I know boys have
temptations that are hard to resist
and for that reason I want you to
be on your guard. I am anxious
for my baby boy to make a man
that is worthy of the name.

Ben Markberry died and was buried
last Saturday, was sick about
a week.

When I commenced writing
I did not notice that I had
only one sheet of paper, you must
excuse this I will get a supply before
I write again. Write to me when
it suits you best, we are all glad
to hear from you.

Your Mother M. J. Lewis



Versailles, Ky.

Aug. 4-1903

Dear Carey:-

Don't fret because you did not get to go to Martha Lee's reception but come up Saturday and do remain till Tuesday at Shaw's shack in Woodford.

I hope you will find it convenient to come Saturday Aug. 9th.

In haste,

Bess Shaw

Bagdad Ky

Sunday - eve Oct-28 / 03

My Dear Casey

We received your report -
Friday, I feel so much encouraged
that I want to congratulate
you, indeed we all send congrat-
ulations. Pa and Bennie
say you are doing well. Aunt-
Ella says your report - is very
good. I hope you feel encouraged
and will try and have a
better report - next time as
there is always room for
improvement - in every one.
I am so anxious for you
to get - along all right.

I hope you will not become so much discouraged any more I know you will succeed if you just put your mind on your books, and that is all you have to do, you have nothing else to think about now but the improvement of your mind, to fit you for your life work whatever that may be. When you are at school you are only laying the foundation to build upon in after life, hence the importance in laying ^{it} right.

Bennie and I went to church at Buffalo to-day, Bro Chiles gave us a good talk, he is a

splendid young man, his aim
in life seems to be to do all the
good he can. A young man
cannot have a higher ambition
We had the pleasure of seeing
the bride and groom, they were
looking very nice indeed. (I
mean Mr & Mrs Busey)

Ra & Ada stayed at home to-day
Ada was not well enough to
go, she has had two attacks
to-day, poor child! she is
one of the unfortunate ones
of earth.

What about your stove
have you got it up?
I imagine you and Thompson
would feel rather cool such
night as last night and the

night - before, without - fire
Aunt - Paulina, and uncle
Tom spent - the day with us
Thursday, they asked about
you Mr Smith seemed to be
better than I have seen him
for some time, He says his hogs
that Bennie bought - for him
are doing fine, he says they
will weigh about 200 lbs.

The hogs your Pa bought - from
John will weigh about - 200 lbs
I expect - I had better quit - as it is
late, I don't feel like I have
written anything worth reading
but - you must - excuse me may be
I can do better next - time,
write soon, Yours another M. J. Lewis

Bagdad Ky
Dec 16 - 1913

Dear Carey:

I wrote you a letter Sunday night, - and got one from you Monday if I had known, I would have waited and let one letter answered,

Enclosed find ck for money

Yours Ben Lewis
Let us know when you are coming home.

Jan 17-1904

Dear Carey:

We were all glad to know you are better with your cold. Ma. has been very uneasy about you. I hope by this time you are entirely well.

We are glad you have decided to stay at school. we were much worried about your coming home.

There is positively nothing new to write about nothing doing at all. I went to church at Baydad to-day. the first time for several months. I went to town

yesterday I found your
Laundry which I will
send to you in the morning
I will see if I can send
you umbrellas at the same
time. I would not go out
to soon if your cough is
no better you had better
get rid of it as soon
as possible

I hope you will get
through with your exam-
inations all right.

your Sister
B. L.

Baydell
Jan 28 - 1904

Dear Carey:

Your letter just
came a few minutes ago
I sent you two dollars in
a letter that I mailed
Monday morning if you
have not gotten it by this
time let me know right
away. I am glad you passed
your English & History, but
sorry you failed on Latin
Are you going to continue
your Latin, if ^{the} school will
let you go on I believe
I would do that, if not
of course you will have

to take up something else
Ma & Pa said you could
take elicitation from Miss Adams
thing if you wanted to
it will help you quite
a good deal

You are your cold it
is any better? Maybe you
had better take some kind
of a tonic you had
better take good care of
yourself

Your Brother,
B. L.

Occasionally something happens to break
the waxy monotony in S. ville. A pupils
recital will be given Friday night, by the
music pupils of Science Hall. Maymie Does
has to play, but I am quite sure she
will make a success. She practices al-
most incessantly.

Have you heard that Spider Barnett has
gone to Texas. Isn't it a shame that all
the boys are going or have gone away from
S. ville? Some will return, however, - a
happy thought, - but it will seem a long
time before you get back - I mean
it will to me.

How is your cold? It must have been a
pretty severe one, judging from reports. I
hope you are all right now. I am
a true friend, Goldie C.

Shelbyville

My dear Carey,

Well how is Georgetown
by this time - I did not mean that -
I simply mean how is that most inter-
esting fellow up there? You know ^{who} it
is I'm sure.

I suppose you have heard all about
the Weakley-Bryant wedding. Clyde, Mur-
yret Does, and I went, and nearly froze
to death. But the sight after we got in
the church was a full recompense for
any slight discomfort. The whole bridal

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partly looked perfection. Oh, Carey, I saw
your brother for the first time, and I could
not help being surprised - pleasantly of
course. at ^{the} resemblance between you and
your brother. I observed that there was
a difference though: you are better looking.
But, to say the least, you are both good-
looking. But I forgot to mention another
important factor in the ceremonies: Sam
figured about quite prominently in his
dress suit. He looked all right. Somebody
told him he ought to wear a dress suit
all the time.

I have a good joke on Sam. Somebody sent
him a horrid old valentine. He said I sent
it, but I did not, and I thought he believed
what I said. But, when he went to Bowling
Green last Friday, he sent it to me anyhow.
He would not trust me! Don't you feel sorry
for me? But that is my luck. I do not mind
it so much, however, since I have the laugh
on him.

So you are having quite a gay old time
going to basket ball games etc. I can't say
that there is so much ^{fun} going on down here.

Bagdad Ky
Mar 17-1904

Dear Carey:

The pants and shirts were expressed to you yesterday, I hope you will find them all right - and hope they will suit you. If they do not dont wear them ^{but} send them back immediately you kept them others too long.

There is nothing new to write about every thing is very quiet. Have you ever tried to join that "Fraternity's" The club meets over.

at Rebecca Friday night
Ryburns & Kate will be at
home in a day or two
at least I suppose so.

Are you on The Base
Ball team?

Your Brother
B.L.

Bagdad Ky

Sunday evening

March 24 / 04.

My Dear Carey

It is now between
eight and nine O'clock Pa
has gone to bed, but I thought
I would write you a few lines
although there is nothing new
to write. We have all spent
the day at home, William
came up and took dinner
with us. We are still having
rainy and stormy weather.

No farming is going on at
all, of course it is all right.
There is a just God who rules
all things well and we have
no right to complain.

I hope you went to church
to-day, and have spent the day
profitably. There was a "Y. M. C. A."
meeting at Bagdad this afternoon
Mr John I Logan gave them a
talk. Ryburn is president and
Sud Blaydes Sec I hope it will
accomplish some good.

How are you getting along at
George town with your "Y. M. C. A."
I heard you speak of it when
you were at home Christmas
Cousin Ade Weakley has been in
bed with "La grippe" but is better
now. I think Ryburn and Jim
are going to run the store, at least -
I heard so. Some one said that
Ryburn said that he would
rather be hoeing tobacco and
plowing corn, may be he will
be better pleased when ^{he} has more
experience

Well time is going on and
the days are lengthening out -
and the time grows shorter and
shorter when school will close
I hope you will realize this and
try hard to improve the time
These are golden days for you
if you only knew it -

Did you see any of the "Shelbyville"
folks when they were up?

I saw in the "Daily" that they
had no funeral at "Georgetown"

It - going on ten o'clock I will
close. Good night - my baby
and may angels guard you
while you sleep.

Your ever anxious
brother M. J. Lewis

My dear Mr Lewis:-
I received
and appreciated your letter very
much. How may I thank you
enough for your thought in
sending me the ticket?

I can only say "Thank you"
but you may know there

is a vast amount of appreciation
in those two words.

I did not understand what
you meant by saying you
did not have a very good
reputation at Bulcher Hall.

If you had reference to
Miss George's glances on
Saturday night. I assure you
she was in fun and only

wanted to tease. If you
really meant what you said,

I think it needless that you
entertain any anxiety on that
score. Should I choose to repeat
the nice remarks I have heard
about you, I fear your head
would be slightly turned.

As you will desire a finish in
order I will now close.
Bulcher Hall
May 3rd 1904.

Sincerely,
Cary M. Adams.

My dear Mr Lewis:-

I am
very grateful indeed,
to you for the ticket.

The game was fine
both players and routers
doing so well, we were
justly proud of Georgetown.

I was over powered with
appreciation upon receiving
the lovely bouquet of

violets. How very kind of you to even think of me while on such a knowledge seeking trip. I realize how very much I miss by not being a Botany student.

Wishing an acceptance of appreciation for kindness received.

I am yours

Sincerely,

Cary M^c Adams.

Rucker Hall.

May 9th 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Weakley
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Rebecca Middleton
to

Mr. Benjamin Augustus Lewis
on Tuesday the twenty first day of June
Nineteen hundred and four
at half past five o'clock
Baptist Church
Clayvillage, Ky.

My dear Mr Lewis:.

Doubtless, these frequent notes are becoming very monotonous to you but I must tell you how very grateful I am to you for the ticket. Certainly your kindness afforded me great

pleasure. I am sure I never
enjoyed a game so much.

Will we play N. V. again?
Mrs Bristol promises a
reception, should Georgetown
win. So you see we are
very anxious that the
Victory be ours.

Thanking you very much
for your kind remembrance
I am

Yours
Sincerely
Cary M^{rs}. Adams

Quaker Hall,
17/6/04.

Give my love to
Thomson and
tell him to come
back to see us
when he can.

Georgetown, Ky.
- Sept. 1 '04.

Dear Mr. Lewis,

Mother has been
busy today having things
put in order for her many
sons and is a little weary.
so I have the pleasure of writing
to you.

We have been at the Springs
for more than two weeks - just
came home Monday. Bethe
Gunnelly, a cousin from
Lexington, mother and I were
on our trip together, and we
certainly did have a jolly time.

Think of it! School begins in twelve more days - I suppose I shall have to be ready but if we had two more weeks I would be through with all my visits.

The old Sew. has had some fine touches since you left but I am not going to tell you what they are - let you see for yourself.

I measured your room - it is six yards long and four yards and eight inches wide. You could have your carpet made four yds. wide & let

four inches on each edge
be uncovered - just paint or
stain the floor along the
edge. Don't buy any green
window shades for I want
all the boys to buy the same
color all over the house.

I think Mr. Herring will
make us a great bargain
if all buy at same time.
I am so glad you are coming
& going to bring so many others.

Please remember us to "Beaut"
& tell him I intended to write him
at time of his wedding -

Yours sincerely,

Lena Hilson

Shelbyville, Ky
Oct 9th 1904

Dear Cary:

I received your letter several days ago, but have been so busy I have not had time to answer it.

I have been sowing wheat all last week and finished Friday, but we will have to sow Calvin's wheat for him this week about 20 acres. I guess they are through over home by Justice. I was over there last Thursday and they were running two drills.

We are going over to Clay village to church to-day and home to dinner and will go this aft-noon to see Aunt ^{all} Polina and crowd by home. I guess Thompson went to St. Louis last Tuesday. Sam & Emma and several others, went Thursday. I wish

it had been so you could have gone
you would have seen so much.

You did not say if you got the etc
I sent you or not.

Now study your lessons and get them
you can get them as well as any one in
College if you want to. Have some per-
pose in view and study to that end
How does Iva Berg like up there?

Write and tell me about how all the
home boys are getting along.

I will close now
hoping to hear from you soon
your Brother B.L.

My time has about expired I
will have to close. I forgot to tell you
that William went back to Woodford last
Monday I don't know why.
Write soon. Mother

Monday morning
Nov 14 / 1844

My Dear Carey

I intended to write
to you last night - but Bessie
and Rebecca came over and
sat till bed time so I will
have to write hurriedly so that
I can send my letter by the
children. We are all well. I
believe I am gaining some flesh
have not had the head ache for
three weeks. Pa is kept busy from
morning till night. He has to keep
corn shucked to feed with and
haul water for the hogs and milk

He has not cribbed any corn yet -
Estell is going to shuck corn this
morning. I don't know what
the Chiemi's are going to do to-day
of course they will go to work at
their tobacco as soon as it will do
I don't expect they will be much
help to your Pa so far as shucking
corn is concerned. Will especially, he
is greatly interested in that "girl"
Mr Money is elected all right -
so is Rickett and Perkins. Marshall
was left away behind.

As to the telephone I don't know
when we will get it. I don't
think Mr Bright is much of a
hustler. You spoke of being so
interested in the book you were
reading, you didn't go to church

Last Sunday I was sorry to hear
you didn't go to church. If I could
go I would never miss a Sunday
especially to hear such a man
as "Dr Pollard". I was glad to hear
however, that you were reading a
good book. The sick at Bagdad
are improving. I saw in the "Courier
Journal" where Dr Pollard and Dr
Yeager attended the Baptist Congress
in Louisville this past week and
made speeches.

We had some snow yesterday
but oh! it's so dry. It's getting to be
a serious thing, so many people
are without ^{water}. Our well seems to be
holding out very well so far, but
if the drought continues of course
it will fail.

and I met. Dr. Taylor
preached a mighty good
sermon. Jennie Flood
lives down there,
a good many from B.
went down.

Ira wrote me about
going to see Maude
Adams in "The Little
Minister" wish I
could have seen her
know she was fine.
The Bailey girls and
Elizabeth Malay went
to Lenoirville to see
her on Saturday evening.

11-22-04

My dear Carey;
Your appreciated
letter received last
week also I received
a picture which I appreciated
very much and thought
it real good of the
crowd there were several
new boys which I did
not know.

How are your boys
getting along? Did you
go to the N. A.'s reception

Saturday night? I know you
had a good time. Day Carey
how you found your girl
yet? you must "stick" to
something and not let
Lester get you in setting
up his "kingdom". I suppose
Miss King is very anxious
to love Tom's son.
Did Moffett go to St. Louis?
I believe he wrote me and
told me in some way that
he was not going.

Dr. Taylor preached the dedication
sermon at Croppers Sunday.
Jennie called me up last
Thursday to know if I would
go and I had already planned
to go. so she said she wanted
to go but she knew no one
and did not want to be alone
so she and David were there
Jenny's old Sam is still
hauling her around. Papa

school-house,

Mr. Will VanArsdale is
President.

Last Saturday night Richard

Mr. Will Wilson, Mr.

VanArsdale, and Mr.

Samuel John Wilson were

all for the debate.

Next time the subject is

whether or not the old

maids should support the

old Bachelors.

Lloyd Arnold } aff.

Arthur Johnson } aff.

Thompson Lewis } Negative

Arthur Stopleton } Negative

I am glad to hear that

Ira joined the Phi

Delta Sigma as it

was not a number.

I hope old State will

win Thursday. Jennie

said Sunday she

wanted to go to Lexington

but did not think she

would go. I wanted

to go but mamma said

she thought best for

me not to go and chase

her sex all day. Jennie

said she would go if

I want. Luther Long is going
and he wants me to go but
I cant if they wont let me.
I got a letter from Dallas
Long 7 day he said he
was coming up Wednesday
evening. Gave passed he
is at the Dental College at
Louisville, he was up when
Esther was buried and was
one of the pall-bearers,
I am making Dallas, Luther,
and Bob Curtis Austin
and a Willis Long from
Pleasurville were the pall-
bearers.

It certainly was so sad about
Esther's death. she was bright
sparing and had so much
to hope for.

Sister Barnett is up going
around everywhere.

They have a Library Society
at Bogard every Saturday
night which meets at the

Leute & her husband were
at home last week.

I have written several
letters & might send them
old you just scratches.

Had any more all for water.

It is pretty dry here. They
are shipping water at
Croppers to a barrel.

It is equal to a fairish
sheet.

Hope to hear soon. know
when you get through
reading this you will
be as sleepy as I am.

Write me soon
the universal word. 11-21-1874.

is not that a question to
debate now.

I am on for an essay.
Beydard thinks she is
strictly it used.

Thompson is still
brossing the Jacksonville
kids around, and I
fahim he has taken the

peach tea to me lately
he is getting bad awful
soon and will show
how deabed Cousin
maye.

they had quite a
stirring time here
during the election

Suppose you have heard
about Prof. Benton and
money.

Have you heard that Fat Josh
Alexander of Pleasantville was
going to marry a Mrs. Porter.

By the way, do you remember
Rachel Tucker who visited
Cousin Fannie VanArsdale last
Summer and Maude Boshardt
gave her a party.

Will she run off last fall &
married a Mr. Morgan at
Coppers a first cousin & fine
couple that lived & live behind
Mr. Harris, and looks just

like him, yes. Besides she
was such a pretty girl.

She is a first cousin of fine
Bryant's wife, fine and his wife
were with them.

She is lame but such a nice
looking girl and so young
she is also lame.

Montgomery Athletic Club.



Mt. Sterling, Ky.,

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New Haven, Conn.

Nov. 27-1904.

Mr. J. C. Lewis:

My dear Lad:

How is the old boy now, and has he a desperate case as he did last year? Is "the one" back, you never speak of her? Let me know all about your love affairs, and tell me the truth, don't tell me you are not in love, for can't believe that.

I want to ask you now before I get forget it, is Snyder and Brentz back? I have been trying to find out but have never succeeded. Now don't fail to let me know.

I thought you were going to quit boxing. The last time I heard from the burg, you had just come from town, and you had a smell on your

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breath that never lies. I am afraid
you are not good for your promise.
You had better wait until New
Years day and start over again.
I think I will make some resolutions
on that day and see if I can't keep
them. You ought to have been up
here and gone over to Princeton with
us, on our way back we stopped
over in New York City and spent
about five hours. I never did know
when I got home, and for two days
I could see scotch-high-balls. That
is all the people drink in N. Y. and
I was going to keep up with them.
If you ever come up here and
don't want to drink, never tell
them you are from Kentucky. Ever
time you meet a person, and
he asked you where you are from,
if you tell him you are from

Montgomery Athletic Club.



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Kentucky, he will say come on
lets take a drink, and you
dare not refused. I have had
to take several on different
occassions and you know I did
not want to.

How is Coleman Sharp getting
along? Is he still loving the
ever smiling, rutturing Pansy?
Don't show him this. I hardly
ever hear about any of the cases.
And how is old Cicero getting along
and when you see Argosrite or
Slies just kick their ass for me, and
kick it hard. I have an old debt
to settle with each, wish I had
known about it while I was
in school and I might have
had a better chance, but I bet
my shoes I get even with them
yet, am sure going to try.

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What kind of a basket-ball team are you going to have? As good as last year, I think we had the championship then. And is Frank Browning coming back? Let me know all about the team. I have another letter to write before lunch so will have to close. Won't write until after Xmas to answer this. An revoir.

Yours Respectively,
J.P.S.

Bagdad Ky

Monday-afternoon
mar 24 /06

My Dear Casey

Your letter received this afternoon I noticed it was mailed Friday I don't know why I didn't get it Saturday Did you ever see such weather as we have been having? Farm work is going slow. It has been too bad to do any thing. Thursday Mammie & Laiah worked at filling up the hollows, but Friday and Saturday could do nothing. So day they are helping John put down his tobacco, ours is not in case

Pa went over to-day and got a hog from Mr Wilson. It is a very nice hog. It is just now beginning to rain I believe were going to have some more bad weather, but it is all right - we don't know what is best for us. The weather is in the Lord's control and he will do right - Yesterday was a gloomy day but we had a nice day spent most of the day in reading. I shipped some chickens Thursday, got a little over ten cents after expenses were taken out - I think that is doing very well. I think I will sell some more as I still have about 75 hens and that is more than I care to keep. Have gotten 4 Turkey eggs. The hens that I sold brought \$8.84

Mr Hurdly the market-man
was along to-day I sold him
24 doz eggs at 10^{cts} 4 lbs butter
at 15^{cts} sent three lbs butter to
Bagdad Saturday and got 20^{cts}
per lb I lb to Mrs Harlow and
one to Mrs Lacia. Pa is going
to do all right about that corn
ground. I think Pa is disposed
to do what is right. Isaiah and
Mannie are doing fine, we
could not ask them to do better
We are very fortunate to have them
and I think we ought to appreciate
it. I got a long letter from
cousin Leaton Saturday. He
wrote eight-pages. We will have
some little chickens to come off
next Monday I am glad I have
none now, hope the weather will
be more settled by that time

You spoke about having some discouraging times, that is just what every body has. If you could get along without discouragement you would be the first person that ever lived. The difference between you and other people is you are expecting too much of yourself. I am not discouraged about you I feel that I have a boy to be proud of I don't believe you would do any thing dishonorable or mean and can compare favorably with any boy I know of. I have just looked out of the window and it is still raining raining raining well as the old negro said the more rain the ^{more} best. The farmers have certainly had a fine resting spell this march. When the weather does get good there will be plenty to do

Edvill's wife has been very sick they thought she would die for several days, but she is better now. Edvill don't seem to be disturbed over it - he seems as happy as a king. I don't suppose he has money enough to pay his Do's bill, but it don't seem to worry him. That is right - to a certain extent. There is no use in always worrying about everything that comes along. Just as well to laugh and grow fat.

It is growing late I will close write soon we are always anxious to hear from you I looked all last week for a letter but was disappointed

Your ever devoted
Brother

Bagdad Ky
Tuesday Morning
Apr 3rd /06

My Dear Casey

Your little note was received afternoon yesterday. There was one feature about it that was especially admirable, and that was its brevity, however as you promised to do better next time I will forgive. I know you have not much news to write to me from up there. This is an ideal morning. This is the third day of charming weather. April seems to be trying to make up for March. Mamma has commenced prizing to-day.

He helped uncle Virgil haul his tobacco yesterday. he had 10,340 lbs. Mr Walker Duncan is coming to help Mammie prize. Pa is sowing clover seed on the old tobacco ground. Mr Deiss is coming the first of next week to paper the parlor and hall I'm going one day this week to get the paper I have sold enough chickens to get the paper and have it put on. I have 17 turkey eggs I don't think I get all of the eggs I have no where to put them up. John's dog is running around all the time, I think he gets some of them. It is beginning to look very much like spring wheat is looking fine. the prospect for a good crop at present is good I noticed in yesterday's paper that tobacco is selling well.

Old Mrs Taylor was buried at
Bagdad last Thursday I don't
know whether you know her or
not; she was Miss Pauline Deane's
grand mother, she was 83 years old.
As I feel a little inclined to be
severgeful this morning I will
write you a short letter too. It
is about time to go about dinner
any way. Enclosed you will find
check. Let us hear from you
as soon as convenient -

Yours affectionately
Mother

Monday afternoon

Apr 16th /06

My Dear Casey

Have just-received your letter. Was sorry to hear you were not-well hope you are better by this time. You have doubtless received my letter by this time I wrote last-thursday. We're having some delightful weather now though a little cool. We had a considerable rain Friday night-could not blow Saturday but they are blowing to-day.

They called for Seawater Saturday had a very close race the first-ballot-was a tie. The next Seawater got-it by 4 votes.

The Boock element- is so dissatisfied
I expect- Gevallency will resign I
was a fair election however
Have got- 42 turkey eggs setting
One turkey hen still laying. Hope
I will have good luck with my
turkeys this year

The negro, "Bill Inagouder" was
killed at Bagdad Saturday
afternoon. Fifteen I believe they
call him. Some negroes were
engaged in shooting craps and
another negro cut him all to
pieces so that he died in a little
while. The one that did the cutting
fled and they have not caught
him yet. So far as Bill was
concerned he was no account but
the negro did wrong to kill him
He had an immortal soul, and
where did it go? Echo answers
As you said in your letter, the negro
is a strange creature.

Bennie saw Mr Pulliam in
Shelbyville Saturday. He spoke
of being in Danville and seeing
you. He said you were very nice
to him. I love to hear anything
nice said about my absent boy
Cousin Walter and Sallie went
to Georgetown Saturday afternoon,
and will not return till
tomorrow. I don't know why
they are making such a protracted
stay. You spoke of writing to Alfred
have you heard from him?
I suppose though you have. Well
I believe I have written all the
news. I didn't have much
to write. Write and let us hear
how your cold is Enclosed find
check. Be sure and spend your
money to the best advantage
Yours Lovingly
Mother

Thursday afternoon
Apr 12th / 06

My Dear Carey

Your letter received yesterday (Wednesday) I was in the midst of house cleaning consequently could not answer till today. It has been so wet that we have not plowed any till this week. They commenced on the oats ground Tuesday morning, finished yesterday at dinner. Then Mannie and Pa went to Bagdad and got the oats and potatoes. came back and broke up the potatoes ground. This morning Pa and Leiah put in the oats and Mannie planted his potatoes and gardened some

This afternoon they are putting in our potatoes and finishing the grass seed. Pa has decided not to break up the big One kee field. He walked over it and found the grass better than he expected so he will just let Isaiah and Marnie break about ten acres in the small field for corn.

John will get some ground from Uncle Virgil. He put oats in the wheat field where the oye was last year I am glad he has changed his mind. It is getting so late and it would have given them so much plowing to do.

Marnie prized ten khd of tobacco last week and hauled it off Saturday, he has two more to prize. It is to be sold next Wednesday at the Rickett house I don't know how he is going to come out. He seems to be in

fine spirits - about it. good tobacco
is selling fine but I am afraid
his will not fill the bill.

I have thirty little chickens and
thirty six turkey eggs one turkey
hen has gone to setting. Mr Siess
came out Tuesday and papered
the hall and parlor. This is such
a delightful day, fine for farming
every body seems to be in a hurry
it is time for every body to be up
and doing something. Farmers
have had such a long resting spell
they seem anxious to get to work
I did not finish my letter yesterday
afternoon so I will write some
more this morning. They commenced
~~breaking~~ for corn in the little
"Mc Kee" field this morning. Pa
did not get quite through the
potatoes, yesterday he is out
trying to finish. I noticed in
this week's news that cousin

Mary Gregory is dead. You remember
her don't you? cousin Doc's
wife of Mrs I have our views of
interest - to write Mrs all getting
along fine. Pa and Ada went
down to aunt - Paulina's last
Sunday. They did 'nt find her
any better nor did she seem
any worse. I was at home all
day by myself 'till about three
O'clock in the afternoon when
Bernice and Rebecca came and
then in a little while Sarah
and Fingie came. Tomorrow is
our church meeting day. They have
Mr Boock and Mr Swalney in
view I don't know which will get it
I think one or the other will get it.
Some like one and some like the
other Uncle Virgil's folk are for Swalney
Will write soon we are always anxious
to hear from you Your affectionate Mother

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Dear Carey: —

Your letter received a long time ago. I have gotten well now I hope. Pay day has come and gone. I am making \$25 a month. It isn't so bad for a vacation job. I spent the 4th with Albert had a good time. Saw Raleigh while I was there and he is just the same old boy. I heard through Annie Hill you've heard Mrs Proctor speak of her, that Mrs. Duncan had been sick. Mrs. Dunlap has just gone back to Danville. She seems a great deal better. I don't believe you know her. I haven't seen Mrs or Mrs Porter since I've been home. Say Lewis you know Miss Clyde Burke, well she married Millopan, that ^{the} fellow that visited in Danville the first part of June and they live about a square from home. Lee and I are hoping to take some boys back with us. Simmull, Johnson, & Kelley. All are good fellows and I do hope they will go. Shack's sister is going to Caldwell next fall so that will entitle me to a ticket up there - she's a cousin of mine. I'll let you see my complimentary if you want to. Have you heard from any of the fellows? Had a convention time-table ^{sent me} ~~sent me~~ success all who go. will have a dandy time. Are you going? Wonder if "Hutch" Harper will open his mouth at the convention. Hope not. Is he coming back?

#2.

Next Saturday is Grandpa's birthday and of all the good things to eat they certainly have them there. The table will be set for fifty or more. Quite a small family reunion. If you will come down I'll put your name in too. Always is a few ~~travellers~~ guests and I certainly would like to include you. Well I hope that you will surprise me sometime in the near future with your presence — Telephone South — 1519 X and you'll get me. Lee said to tell you howdy and Shack also with plenty of good wishes from myself

Remain yours

in " — hai — "

Spring C. Eckert

#640 Sanford St.
Covington Ky.

writing a letter to father and insists he will send it in this envelope addressed to you.

Mildred and Ethel have gone to make several friendly calls, Papa and Mamma sleeping, while I am supposed to be looking after the children.

Two boys three and five are quite mischievous and more than a notion to care for.

I have put the children on the back porch and told them to tear up jack just so they

Versailles, Ky.,
Sept. 30-1906.

My dear Cary:-

It is rather difficult for me to endeavor to answer yours of the twenty seventh as Robert is on one side, William the other, and Mary trying to read over my shoulder.

She saw the letter I received from you and thought it was one I had written. She believes the Bess is Bob and is trying hard to tease some one but it has no effect since my conscience

is perfectly clear.

I gave Will a slight lunch just now and told him to remain on the back porch till he had finished eating and he just came in with both hands full wanting to know why he should not eat in here.

I told him Akley would soon come and the floor would be literally covered with crumbs. Then he asked "Is she going to cook for us?" Then I laughed and he proceeded to eat any where he desired.

I took both of ^{the} young Americans to Sunday school this morning and William had never been.

They behaved beautifully but I could hardly keep from laughing when William sat with his eyes and mouth open watching the organist perform. When we were at class he said "I want to go back and here them play the horn."

I have just quieted the kids around again, Mary is practicing on the piano, Robert riding a stick horse, and William is

we said the nurse & Dr. both claimed she was doing as nicely as could be expected.

I do not know how long it will be before they expect the fever to break.

Lil is very much worse and her husband is with her. He expected to take her to Arizona or Colorado if she was able to be moved but I am afraid it will all be in vain.

I have certainly have jotted down many ruddy constructed sentences, however pardon all and be good, Bess.

would leave me alone for a very few minutes.

I feel as if the first breeze of winter has surely come.

After completing our mid day meal at noon all had the shivers and rallied around the kitchen stove.

It was quite amusing to me, concerning your manuever about going home, all wanted to know why that had such a ticklish effect. It was sent up with the office mail

and it was the men down there that noticed I was trying to suppress laughter.

I am delighted at the idea of seeing you the fourteenth and would like to know at what time you will arrive in Versailles.

Ethel did ~~not~~ come home till yesterday and is thinking seriously of not coming home at all next week. She seems to like better each day and soon she will

not come home every Friday.

Virgie wrote she had been home sick several times but I feel sure she will soon get over that trouble. It is an indisposition that must be remedied and in some cases temporarily while others for life.

Mamma has just invited me to the fire for they have opened up the fire place and the blaze is roaring up the chimney.

I received a letter from Mr Thurman this morning and

He said he thought he would go this year.

I have a test in English Tuesday, I don't know how I shall come out, I have not gotten to study any for it yet. Jessie Henton and I are going to study some to-morrow. I hope I shall get seventy-five anyway.

They say Prof. Freeman marks pretty close.

I must close. Now please write to me soon.

Your cousin,
Sarah,

10-1-06

Dear Carey,-

Virgie has just written to you so I shall write also, but I suppose she has told you all the news. I received your postal, and was so glad to hear from you. I intended to write sooner, but you know how it is at school. There are a good many girls up here this year. Every room is full, and they have furnished the infirmary, also the girls'

have company, do you? Have the
Caldwell girls had any receptions
this year? How are Elizabeth and
Alleen getting along? Mary ^{Lisle} ^{last year}
from Paris, who went to S. H., is
up here this year. She is a mighty
nice girl, and right pretty. I was
so surprised to see her here. She
said she just hated S. H.

Are there many boys at Danville
this year? Is Joe Brown Arnold there?

parlor. I don't understand
what made such a rush
here this year. The girls are
having a pretty good time
too. They are going to allow
the girls to have company
once a month, if but the
parents must write and say
that their daughters can
have a "certain" young man
to call. But if any of the
girls are caught flirting from
their window, they can not
have callers, so I don't
believe many will get to

open session ^(4.) Saturday night,
September 22. It was real
good. Then ~~we~~ Euephians
gave an open session last
night. It was just fine.
Sara and I joined and
we were initiated Saturday
afternoon, with a whole
host of others. Then we
all wore colors last night.

I don't know when the
Ciceronians give their open
session. But I think it
is next Saturday night.

Carey do you know
any Scotts in Danville
There is a girl here from

10-1-06

My dearest Carey, -

Sara and I received
your postals some time since
and I intended to write to
you before this. We thought
you went home though. You
did think you would when
you wrote Sara's postal, didn't
you? We wrote home and
asked them when you came
home and why, etc. So finally
they told us that you had
never been home since you
went to Danville.

How do you like it by now⁽²⁾
and were you just homesick?
You wanted to know if I
had gotten homesick, I
should say I did. I thought
for a while I couldn't stand
it. I felt like I would
give any thing to be at
home now. Although I
think I have about gotten
over my homesickness.

Are you going home before
Christmas? I don't know
whether Sara and I will or
not. I guess you knew
Mary went to Pembroke yesterday
I hope she will like her

position there⁽³⁾ and will succeed.

There are about ninety
girls here. So many more
than usual. Do you see
much of Elizabeth Molloy and
Aline Hanna? Sara got a
letter from Day Bailey (you
know she is at Hamilton and
likes it so much) and Day
said they saw you real
often.

Mrs. Taylor gave a
reception the first Thursday
night we were here (I don't
know when that was, seems
like about ten months since
we landed here).

Then the T. O. K's gave their

Danville. Finnie⁽⁵⁾ Scott is her name. She went to Caldwell last year. She said she did not know you but I thought probably you knew her. She is such a nice girl.

I have three studies and music, which I like very well. I have English, Mathematics and Latin in college, so you see I am very "fresh."

Lester came up last night. He was here to the Euphian open session. He is going home Tuesday & think. They are going to initiate some of the Delta Phi

boys, Monday ⁽⁶⁾ I think, so
Seater is going to stay up
longer than he intended.

Did Mr. Downs come back
to Danville? Are you
boarding at the same place?

Sara and I have
been over to Aunt Mary's
several times. They asked
about you and said they
would like so much to see
you.

Did you go over
to Lexington Fair? A good
many of the girls from
Rucker Hall went over.

Mary went to State Fair
she visited Rachael Moremen.
She also staid one night with

Cousin Anna ⁽⁷⁾ Bell Scarce and
Thompson spent the night
there. Please excuse this scratching
but this was the best pen
that I could find.

Now write soon for
I am so anxious to hear
from you.

Your affectionate cousin,
Virgie.

Ethel's graduating presents along the jewelry line except her ring and watch. I telephoned to the chief of police at Lexington this evening and will go up in the morning to see if any thing can be done but I am afraid nothing will do any good.

I suppose my boss will let me off but Sis being sick will probably keep me. Ethel just told me she was lamenting the fact no studying could be done as all her books are gone and I came

Versailles,
Oct. 19-'06.

My dear Carey:-

Never put off to-day what should have been accomplished yesterday for to-night all are in worse condition than last evening.

Mildred has a very bad case of tonsilitis and Mamma had a genuine case of the blues and was weeping bitter tears when I came home. It was up to me to wait on the sick and go from job

no joke in order to keep their spirits up. I talked to mamma till ten thirty and left her in a better humor, while Mildred had been easier for some while.

To-night Mildred is worse and the dr. hopes she will be in a condition for some cutting by Monday after-noon. So far she only sees the physician once a day, he may have to come oftener though. Mrs. Thurman is no better and Mr. Thurman is very despondent now.

Remember I am to be his second wife.

I had a long letter from John yesterday and that made us all homesick for the only boy.

In addition to these troubles poor Ethel lost her head this afternoon at the street car center and let a negro woman steal her dress suit case containing about seventy five dollars worth of stuff. She was bringing a

rain coat home to Mildred which the latter had purchased for \$20. Then all

answered them but for reasons I
have related.

I know Mr. Ben was happy
to get a letter from you but
could not rejoice as much as I.

Be good and remember
Me.

very near telling her your plan
of doing without but I thought
it would not do to put such ideas
in her head.

The town is certainly full
of old and young maid school
teachers. I went to see Miss
Hulet from Bagdad and intended
to have her out here one night
but my duty is at home all
alone.

Just had a time with Sis she
was talking (at least trying to)

random and sleeping.

Ethel is truly talkative although it is nearly eleven o'clock. The freshmen and sophomores had a flag rush to-day and she is so very excited over the fight it is hard to tell how it will terminate.

Every few minutes she stops talking and claims she will let me write to Carey.

Now I can not see how you ever got such a notion in your head that I did not want to hear from ^{you} soon. I wish you would discard such ideas for I enjoy your letters thoroughly and watch the mail for a letter all the time.

Probably it seems like negligence on my part but I assure you it is not.

Your last missive came to cheer up Bess in rather a trying hour, for last night when I read it, the family weariness was beginning to spread over me but immediately I cast it aside and would have

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Frankfort, Kentucky

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Nov. 9, 1906.

Mr. Carey Lewis,

Danville, Ky.,

Dear Bo:-

I am in a questioning mood with myself this afternoon, and it seems to me that "Lewis" should be spelled "Louis," and I know Carey has no "e" in it. But what's the dif? Well, how is Beta Theta Pi getting along? Hume tells me that you have taken in several new men since I left. Hope they have all proven good men, for of course we want no others. How is the general life of the Fraternity? What are the other frats doing, and what have we been doing? You must write and tell me all about it. And by the way, I have a little Beta cousin in Danville that I want you and the rest to be nice to. I think you know her; at ~~any rate~~ know her sister, Louise ~~and~~ Fossie Sims; and a mighty fine little girl. She has never been ~~out~~ very much and for that reason seems a little backward, but she has more good solid sense than nine-tenths of the girls. As a Beta brother I would like for you all to show her some attention. Ask Mary Hunton about her.

One of the boys from State who lives her has been telling me about Cat Payne. He is in the prep department over there and this fellow says he is afraid to wear his pin, as no frats are allowed in prep. Don't suppose any Betas who know him care particularly much if he dont, tho.

Well, old boy, you must write me all about what is going on, about my little Beta girl, and anything else that you think will interest me. Give "my kindest regards" to Dunc, *and all the fellows of course.*

Yours

---Kai---

Harry G. Bright.

Versailles, Ky.
Nov. 6-1906.

Dear Carey:-

Your letter was received yesterday afternoon and am delighted that you will be over Saturday morn.

Drop me a postal when and which way you will come.

I knew you were at the Thanksgiving ball game also at the Phoenix latter and so on. You see I

keep a very good tab on
you although I did not
know about the lost over-
coat. That is terrible
but I hope you will find
it.

As Mary is waiting to
mail this as she goes to
school will say good bye
till Saturday.
Bess.

Boydston, Ky

Wednesday morning
Nov 21 1906

My Dear Casey

I received your letter Monday afternoon. Ada and I spent the day at Mrs. Weakley's yesterday. Pa went to Mrs. Phillip's sale who lives just opposite Mrs. Staten's and we went that far with him. We had a very pleasant day. Rebecca and the baby were well, though Rebecca had been sick, had congestion of the stomach, she was very sick for several hours, had to have the Dr. but she is about well again. The baby is growing, and is noticing every thing. We've had a splendid rain it has

helped the wheat - so much, wheat
was beginning to need rain badly
It looks very much like rain
again this morning. The boys are
stripping tobacco Isaiah will
get through down at his house
to-day. He came up and bulked
enough down to strip on two
days up here. Mannie did not
get back from his trip till
Monday night; he stripped
yesterday and is at it again to-
day Ed Boyant is helping him
I think Isaiah will spur him
up so that he will get through
a little sooner this year than
usual. John went down in the
hills to get some hands to chuck
corn but they are not to be had
Every body seems to be trying to

get their tobacco off. Mrs Nash
and Jennie left Tuesday for
Texas. They were at church at
Bagdad Sunday June Bill was
with Jennie, they took dinner
with Mrs Saera, Sam was at
church but I don't know whether
he went there or not to dinner I
have sold the turkeys to our Pewit-
at 11th they go off Saturday.

It is nearly time to get dinner
so I will close, Hope you are
well and getting along all right
in your studies

All of a mother's love to
you. let me hear from you
soon. Mother

They surely will not linger long
when your stopping place is Danville
and Headquarters Nathelens.

It would be useless for me to send
any words of comfort or ~~to~~ even say
"discard them" as your numerous
ardent admirers have caused them
to depart for ever and remembered
them against you no more.

Every time I get started some one
has something new to talk to me about
and you can not imagine how difficult

Versailles, Ky.
Dec. 16-1906

Dear Carey:-

Yours of the fourteenth
at hand but I am so much
aroused over a little news am
very much afraid I can not
do justice toward answering.

Elma Schobert across the
hill is going to be married
the middle of January and
her mother has been telling
me all about it and you
can not imagine what a
peculiar effect those matters

have on me. Why, I can not say.
She stopped me on the street
yesterday and told me to be sure and
come over right away as she had
something important to relate to me.

Soon after dinner, in all this
miserable rain I chased over for a
few minutes. She was not at
home but out taking dinner with
a friend so her mother and father
entertained me with the coming
calamity. I did not expect
to tarry long but such interesting
subjects are not easily cast aside.

I had expected to write a long
letter before Howard came but
remained there so much longer than
I intended, now I am in a terrible
jiffy so afraid he will come before
I have finished.

I was exceedingly sorry to hear
of you having a case of blues for
they certainly must be miserable company.

it is for me to write when
three sisters, papa, & mamma
are all teasing and talking.

Olma is going to marry
a man from New Castle his
name is Wilkerson and I want
to know if you are acquainted
with him if so tell ^{all} you know
about the gentleman as I am
deeply interested.

I attended Sunday school
and church this morning
and thought of you a thousand
times, wondering where you
were and what you were

doing. No one knows how sad
I am when you feel badly and how
happy I am when you are glad and
how deeply I am interested in your
welfare. Be sure to tell me all
as I am anxious to know what you
are doing and how good a boy you
are.

The next time you are in Lexington
or Lawrenceberg be kind to our
old sweetheart who loves you more
than all others and run over to
Versailles as I have something
of great importance to tell you.

Suddenly I was lost in dreams of
future happiness but I must keep
silent till I see you again. If I do
not stop writing I will say too much.

Yours for ever,
Bess.

11-3-05

Georgetown Ky.

Dear Carey.

I suppose somebody's hands are sore from shucking corn by this time. I got a letter from Sam not long ago he said he was bowing down to it. Old Timmy and I have to study like the d. He had five studies and I have four but I have that Pol. # and that calls for two hours work, two any out of the week. You left that brown coat up here. I don't suppose we will come home Thanksgiving but I will bring it when Christmas comes. Our foot ball team hasn't done any good but we have a fine prospect for a champion basket-ball team but I haven't a ghost of a chance ~~to make~~ to make the team.

You see that is monopolized by a certain chick. We had a test in Junior Latin this evening. I think I got a long fairly well. but the worst part of it is our next ^{to read} section is Defense of Roscius and we haven't any Jack trip. I remembered of seeing a Roscius Jack over at your house and I believe you had it up here.

If it can be found I would be a 1000 times obliged
to you if you will send it to me in the return
mail or a little bit sooner. You see I dont
have time to dig it out on laboratory days. Know
what I hear you must be "buster in back".
Old Foster is as big a fool as ever about his
little Coote girl. I am sorry I have to write in
such a hurry. I dont have much time to write.
When did you hear from them over home. I dont
hear from them as often as I would like to.
I'll saddle with you about that book when I
have some money.

Write soon

Office hrs. 11-12 PM + 1-6 AM.

Your cousin

A. C. Weakley

5 P.M. Tuesday 7. Nov - 05.

I dont know how much postage & or so
I suppose.