

been having the best aching at home
that they have had for years. I am so sorry
that I didn't get back to Fannettburg again
though perhaps you are not where you think
of the muscle it would take to get me there
and back but I certainly would have
stayed longer when I was there had I known
how long I would be in this part of the
state. I was down at Green castle for the
day last Tuesday & ran in, without any
fore knowledge of it. In a bunch dark at

My dear Lucy:-

You doubtless
will be surprised when I
tell you I am still in
Mercersburg, for I would have
been surprised myself if
anyone had told me I
would be here this long but
I have had a dreadful
cold for over a week and
the girls would not let me
go till it was better so

all these years and it was such a pretty
one too. Beside it I received eight books
twelve linen handkerchiefs - most of them I
embroidered, two pictures, some photos,
hand painted china violet holder,
gold cuff links set with pearls, gold
ten dollar gold piece and some jewelry.
Wasn't Xmas a lovely day? Of course
I enjoyed it more if I could have had a
steep ride but that wouldn't bother
you as the skating was good. They have

had to wait - I'm such a
weak little thing I couldn't
resist the force brought to
bear - but now the date is
finally set for Wednesday
at eleven. I believe it was
set for every day last week
till I began to fear that
I would be a thing of ridicule
and a joke forever. But
I am forgetting or rather
not saying what I started
out to say - that is to thank
you for the lovely little
cold-cream box, something
which has been missing
among my toilet articles.

Aunt Harriets for your new
cousins Mrs. Gordon. Met Mrs
Leather, Miss Brown, Miss ^{Hudson}
and your cousin ~~cousin~~
was there also but I had
met her. New Years eve we
or I should say one of the
clubs had a masquerade
party and watched the
year out. I wore a short
dress, curled my hair and
affected the childish, as
Margaret used to say of
Crebbe, under the title of
Bo-Suey. Beside Bo-Suey from
this house there went
Red-riding-hood, Mother Hubbard

Put it aside and write. Where is Jeffie. I
want to write to her and don't know
where to find her. I expect to be in town
all over Sabbath and then for a week
I will be at 322 Charter St. Allegheny.
Give my kindest regards and best wishes
to the Gordon Family. Great deal of love
and many thanks from Ben.

January ninth. Ninety-eight.

and Martha Washington
every body was there from
an Indian Chief to an
Italian Princess and all
had a good time but a
good many like myself
took cold. We spent the
most of my time since
in the house, haven't been
out for almost a week
but am much better now
and expect to go out this
evening. I should have
been putting in the time
writing Xmas letters but
started into Vadir and if
you have read it you
will know why I didn't

Answered Jan 15. '95



Miss Clementine R. Gordon,

Fannettburg,

Franklin Co.,

Penna.



is teaching in Shadyside Academy, Allegheny, this year, so helped her enjoy herself. Suppose you have heard she sailed for Europe last week, as a guest of a friend of her father. He and his wife and son were going abroad for the son's health, and asked Virginia to go with them as their guest. Did you ever know of a more fortunate girl as far as taking tujia without cost to herself goes. You know her grandmother sent her to Mexico with her aunt about two years ago, and then she went to Princeton with that friend of her mother in Pittsburg. She

Harrisburg, Pa.
March 29, '98.

My dear Clementine -

Just received my two doilies this afternoon. I can not tell you how I do appreciate your kindness in working them for me. I thought after I asked you to endeavor them for me, ~~that~~ was impressing on good nature, and if I was, I do beg your pardon.

They are just ever so pretty, and the work could not have been done more neatly, you can hardly tell which is the right side, both sides are so neat.

Now, if ever I can do you a kindness, please let me know, and I will do it gladly. I wished after you had gone, I had offered to buy a dollie and give it to you to make to send to Bella for her church fair, and give it from us both. You could have told me size and flowers you preferred to make, but I judge it is too late now.

Was glad to have your little note and to hear you had such a good time at Neville and Chambersburg. If I had known you were going to stay in Neville until Thursday, we would not have allowed you to go at all Saturday. The next time you must make us a longer visit. As we expected we went home the first of February, and had a very happy time, all of the family but one brother was at home. Our visit was too short though, I am finding out that ministers have to stay very close to home.

Shortly after coming back, Virginia made me a short visit on her way home from Pittsburg. She had been visiting that friend of her mother's and in Kittanning for six weeks, and had a delightful time; you know Hal is

Now, Clementine, allow me
to thank you very much
again for working the doilies
for me. It was real, real
kind of you to do so. I think
you were real speedy, and
you said you were slow.
I'm sure they will look ever
so pretty on my dining table.

Please remember me to your
Papa & mamma & sister, and
to Bella when you write.

Clementine, hope you can
find time to write to me,
I do enjoy hearing from
you. Come and see us
whenever you can. Mr
King wishes to be remembered
to you. With much love

Your true friend
Rebecca McLain King.

² will certainly have a de-
lightful time abroad.
She was telling me while
here, that Dr. Hartman's hob-
by is culture, and that
he doesn't pay so much
attention to raising the stand-
ing of the College in regard
to its course of study. At a
recent trustee meeting
Miss Ricker was appointed
dean of the faculty. Perhaps
you have heard some of
this and know that
they are building a new
Science Hall at Nelson
just beyond where the
old Tennis Courts used to
be.

Received a letter from
Dais Smith the other day.

She was telling me that Bess Black was married last month to a Philadelphia man. She was expecting Kit & Hat to visit her soon.

Clementine, we have been attending services every night except Saturday for almost five weeks, and I tell you I am beginning to feel the effects of going out every night. Next Sabbath is communion and they will close then. Mr. Schenck of Chambersburg has been assisting at Mr. Square Church for the past week. Am beginning to find out how busy a minister is kept, it is work most of the time still. I have enjoyed the meetings very much.

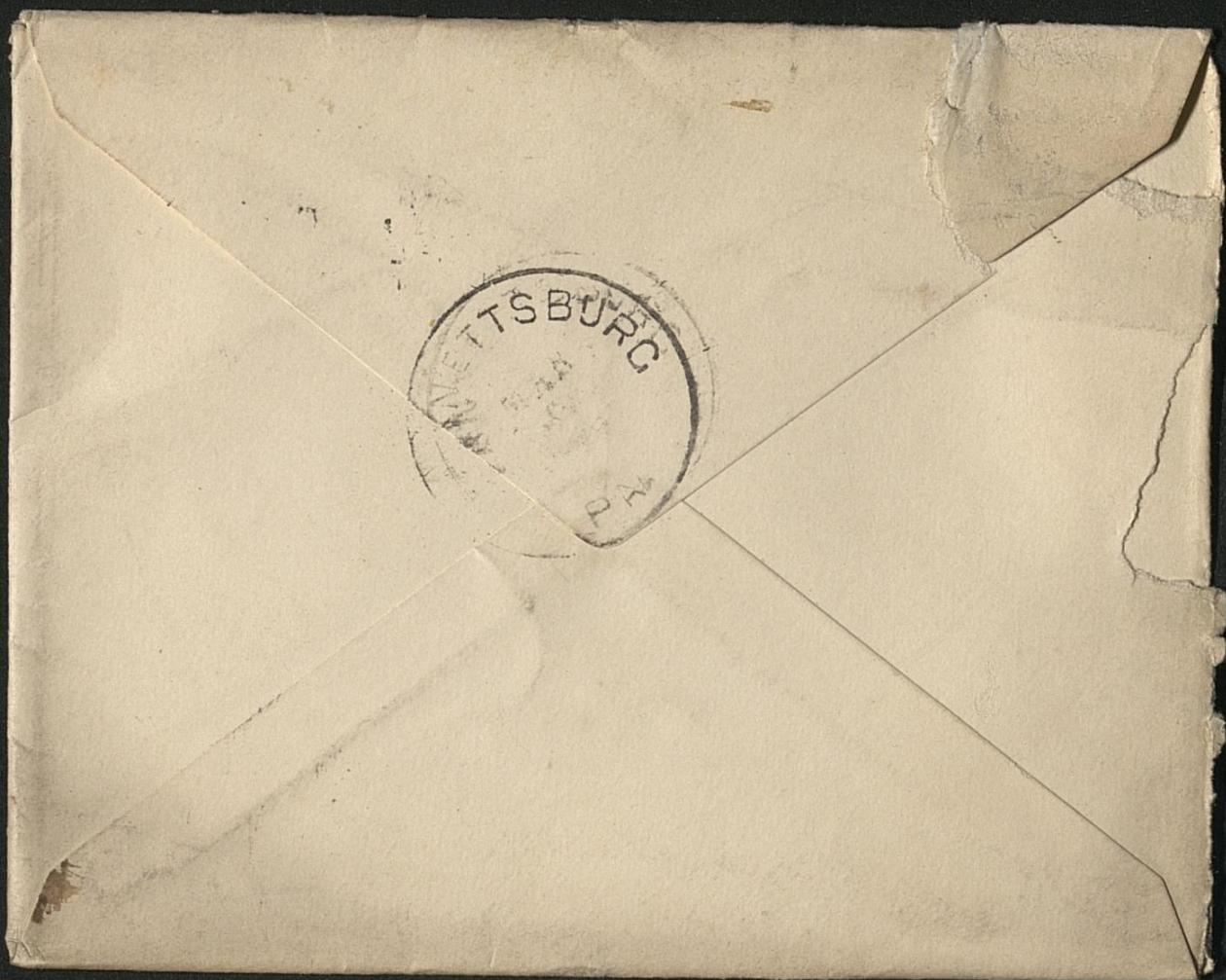
This is a rainy, gloomy day, we have been having so much such weather lately. Mr. King has gone to a funeral of a little baby, who is buried in Mechanicsburg, so will be away all afternoon.

By-the-way, Mr. King met Florence Cowden on the street yesterday, and she said she would have called on us last week if she had known our number. Have you any messages for me to give her, if she ever calls, will be glad to deliver them.

Answered
May 19



Miss Clementine K. Gordon,
Farnettsburg,
Pa



Hanover, N.H.
October, 20th 899.

Ma très chérie Mademoiselle:

Oui, j'ai
reçu toutes communications, et
j'espire que vous me pardonnerez,
quand nous eussions la rétine - - -

Now I say it takes too long to
write in a foreign tongue, so I'm
jumping right into plain English.
By the way tho', I think it would
be a fine way to keep our French
going, to write one another now
and then in it. pensez-vous cela?
I feel rather rusty myself -

My dear girl, I don't wonder you
have been amazed at my silence -
I have thought of you so many
times, and intended to write -
I am afraid I'm getting to be
a bad correspondent, except when
I'm away from home. I do love
to get letters tho, and to write them
when I feel like it. That's rather
a selfish sentence I think - Well
dear, while I was away I some
how, by reason of my numerous
goings and comings, and lack
of time didn't get about answering
your letters, and after reaching home

2. I was going a good deal, and had
my Hay Fever, and last season of
all, my eyes have been and all
in such a state, that I cannot
read at all, and can really do
nothing but write letters, and only
a ~~few~~ while at a time, so you
see I have not been altogether to
blame. It's a fact that I've written
very few letters since reaching
Hanover once more - O! Lucia,
I had such a fine summer -
When I think it over, it seems
almost like a dream - I was at
so many places, and had such

a good time at them all - I was
a month in Ogdensburg, then
the rest of the time I was up
the river at various places -

Made my longest visit at Uncle
Dau's (my father's brother) while
on the river. They have a darling
laby boy a year old, and as I
simply adou babies, I was happy
with him. I met so many nice
people too, and had quite a gay
time. Uncle Dau is a very jolly
man, and we had great laughs
while I was there - I guess I told
you that I was being treated all

3. the time I was there, for my
eyes, ear, and nose! My uncle
Dr. Bell cauterized my nose on
one side, as it had grown together
in account of my Hay fever.

I suffered awfully for a few
days with it. Then my eyes have
been bad since I had the grippe
last winter, and I can have no
immediate help. It is a very
tedious trouble. I have to
practise every day with glasses,
in order to strengthen the muscles
of the eye. I was so thankful to
have such a dear Dr. to look after

me tho - I reached the Beach
about August ~~seventh~~^{excuse)} eighth, and
would not have gone till the
fifteenth, had not an old friend
of mine, Merrill Hutchinson
and his brother and sister taken
it into their heads to be there in
a house next to ours. Merrill was
to be there the first two weeks
in August, and expected to see
me, as I had written him I
expected to go about that time.
But as I didn't know ^{when I wrote}, and he
didn't either till afterward, that
. he was to go there ^{there}, I made other

4. plans, and in the end only
saw him two days - We made
the most of that however. I was
invited over there to spend the
afternoon and evening of the
first day I was there, and we
had lots of fun. Merrill is the
son of an old chum of my father's,
and I first met him up there,
the first year I was in College.
He is a great musician, and
plays the organ, or has the last
year, & will this winter, in the
church in Montpelier, H. that
the Daway family attends.

He hopes to find an organ in
N. Y. or near there next year, &
I hope he will. It will be fun to
see him once in awhile -

I had a fine time at the Beach. One
day after Merrill left, I went with
the others of the family to a mt.
Tito, about ten miles back of us,
on a hay rack. We had such fun -
Took our supper, and just at sunset
climbed the mt, and had one of
the grandest views I ever saw.
It was wonderful. Then we came
home by moonlight. We came
home the twenty-fifth, and I

I rather hated to come, because then
it was all over. My Hay Fever has
been much better this year, because
of my treatment, and because I am
so well. I look like a different
girl. When I left I was thin and
pale, but tho' I haven't gained out
six pounds, I have put it on my
face mostly, and am feeling so
much better, that every one re-
marked it. After I came home
there were parties and teas and
dinners etc. I have had an unusually
good time this fall, and hate to
begin to "iddle down", for when I

so, I generally have to stay there -
Dan has a lovely rubber-tired
run-a-bout, and a new horse, and
I had some fine dives with him.
He and his brother have gone back
to New York for the winter now,
and I feel lonesome, for Dan and
I are as good friends as ever.

Do you remember James Ely ?
He was married a week ago last
Wednesday to Maude Happing, and
I attended that of course. Paper
officiated - It was a small wedding.
Dan and Walter & Henry de Lorme
were invited of the boys - Dan was

6. with me nearly all the time, and
Walter with Ida Hopping, and we
had such fun. Then last Wednes-
day, we went to a wedding
reception. One of our elder's daughters
ran away the thirtieth of August, &
got married. The family feel badly
about it, but gave a reception, so as
to fix it up. Then Thursday evening
(last night), we went to Harry James'
wedding. Do you remember him?
I don't believe you met him, as he
lives in Brooklyn, and only comes
out now and then. The family have
a home, ^{here} which they come in the

dinner. We married a Livingston
young lady, who lives about three
miles from here. A crowd was
there, and we had a great time -
Dan and Walter were up again,
but poor Dan was so sick at
his stomach, that he every now
and then, had to run away! I
felt so sorry for him, for we
had expected to have such fun, &
he was wretched. They got some
beautiful presents - I tell you
what, the weddings will soon
bankrupt me if they go on - Jamie
Ely is to be married in a month

7. or so, and then Bill Dawsopke
my old roomate, is to married
sometime this winter - I am crazy
to go to the wedding, but don't ex-
pect to - I have promised I do
to visit her next spring, if it is
possible, and I do hope I can.
I told you I think, that she has
lost her baby - Rutha Campbell
has lost hers too - I had a letter
today from Alice Roggs, Mrs. Edg's
wife. Do you remember her?
She dropped me for four years, &
suddenly last June, or no, April,
she wrote to me, and now here is

another one. I have always loved
Belle, and am glad she is not
going to let our friendship go -
She was at Wilson last Spring, but
says its quite changed. Miss
Leopold is still there, but living on
nerves, so she will break down one
of these days. She has seen several
of the girls lately. Miss Carter, Miss
Carr, Little Deems etc.

You may think of me this winter as
knitting. I find I can knit with
my eyes closed, so have made four
wash cloths, and expect to start a
shawl, one of these knit on big

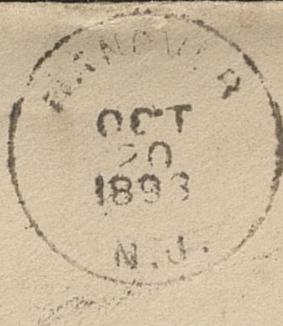
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needles in the shape of a scarf -
It seems so queer not to be making
Xmas presents - It will be here
before we know it too - I am
half expecting Ida Happing over
for the night, but don't know that
she will get here - I feel rather
dow today after such dissipation
as I have had - I have given you
a good long scrawl down, and
I hope you'll give me one when
you write - Do write real soon
now, won't you? I want to be so
naughty next time, for I do want

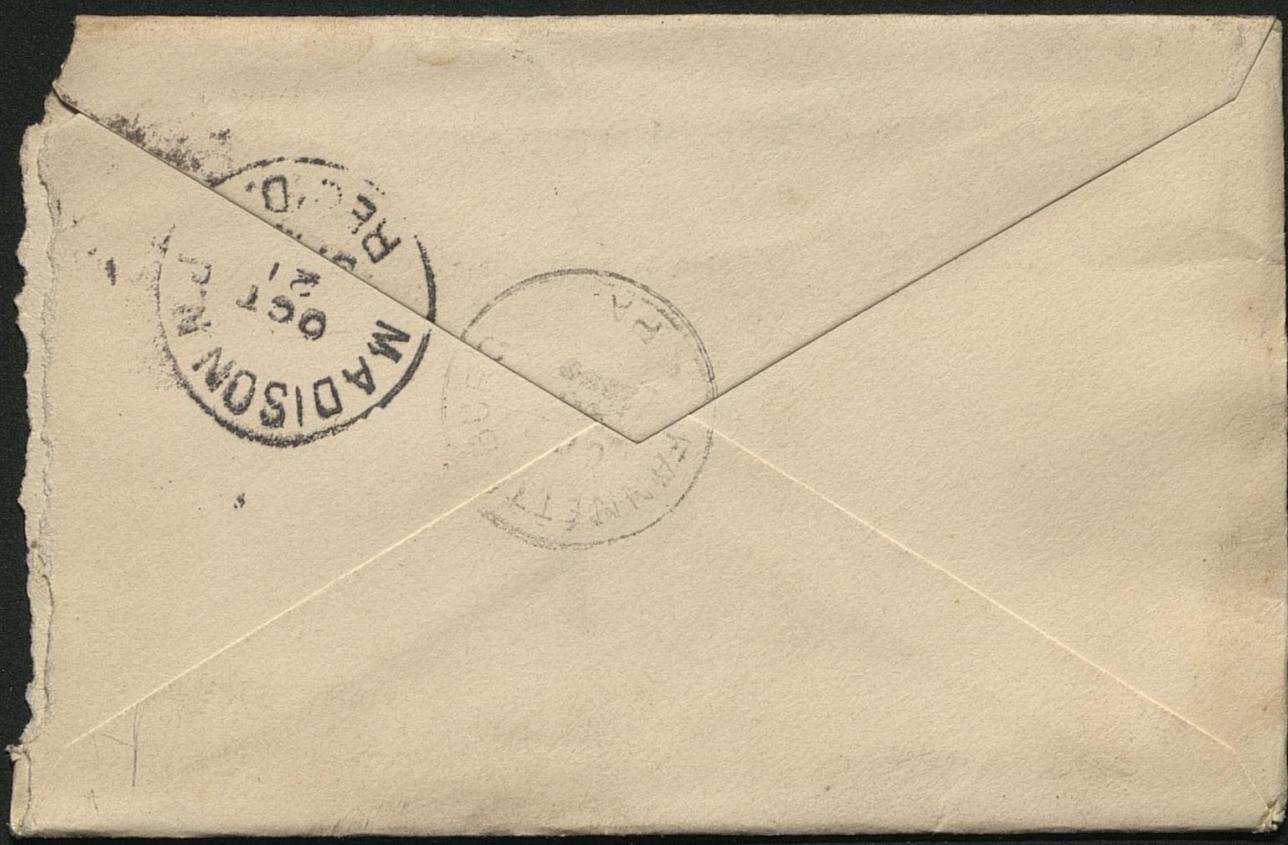
to hear from you often - How is
Beck? She never answered my
letter I wrote her years ago - Do
you hear from her? With loads
of brotherly love as always,
from your penitent and loving,

Bella —

P.S. Please pardon the difference between
paper and envelope, as I have none to
match - B -



Miss Clementina Gordon,
Farnetteburg,
Penn.



store and forgot to
enclose my card. you
must pardon my absent
mindedness. am glad you
give me credit for it
anyway.

You may meet some
of my sig. brothers
down there and you
may hear the old Phi
Alpha alpha etc.
you just believe them
are taller who would
like to yell too. I see
a little college spirit
here sometimes but not often

Chicago Ill
Jan 14 1900

My dear Clementine
was surprised
to get a letter from
Kentucky but am very
glad to know you
are having a nice
visit down there. I
always liked the
Southern people and
am sure you will

find them nice
and hospitable
and of course you
will have a
delightful time.

I was very sorry not
to get home during
Holidays and decided
to go as soon after
as I could get away.
however Fallmetsbys
stock has depreciated
in value in Chicago's
market since New Year
and I now am not

sure when I shall go.
I started to write home
last night intending
to write to you also
however I was so tired
to write and gave it
up until to-day.

Am glad you like the
Recessional. I have
heard it sung several
times and think it
very nice. I did not
intend to send you
an anonymous Xmas
present had it sent from

Before I forget must
tell you that I
have been eating
apples this afternoon
and have not washed
my hands since so
if you see any finger
marks on this letter
you may know it
was the apples fault
and not mine.

It is time to go to
tea now and I shall
have to quit for the
time. By the way

I have a crowd to
pick with you.
do you remember
what you promised
me?

Please remember
me to your brother
Cleaver

Yours sincerely
A. J. M'Pherson



Miss Clementine K. Gordon
Danville.
Ky.

P. Mrs Elizabeth Tales



I suppose you know Martha noble was dead. She died Sunday a week ago.

M^c Connells are getting lumber ready to build a house and barn down on the hill below our place. I don't know whether Harry is to be married or not, hardly think so.

Emice said this evening that Eddie Walker had his foot mashed by a log falling on it.

I got a fine blade for you from Charley Wickings and I did not even hint for it. He said that you was a very lively, sprightly young lady! now isn't that a good one?

As it is about bed time I will close for this time. Wishing you a continuing good time, I remain.

Yours sincerely,

Tom C. Park

Libouria, Pa.

Jan. 18-1900

My dear "Timy":- Your kind letter was received and I will answer tonight so you will get it on Saturday. I am glad to know you are having such a good time. I think that you took all of the cold weather along south with you as we have not had any cold weather to speak of since you left. First I must tell you of the Sewing Circle at Edith's two weeks ago tomorrow evening. It was the fullest one we have yet had. Every one seemed in the humor for carrying on. The first thing we was about in the hall in the dark and got his hand in the refreshments. Charley Walker and Margaret Devot had a big time. Charley shocked (?) her by holding her on sofa besides him.

We tried to start Charley home when we left, - we even got his over coat and hat and helped him on with them.

and made him escort Margaret Devore home
and also volunteers to get his team for him,
but all to no avail. Mr. Fair and Charles spent
Saturday night and (Sunday) with Maine and
Miss M^c Cleary (Jan 6-7). We had a flash light
taken at Ediths and was better than the ones
at Elmer's. We had it taken in the corner by
the piano. The Circle meet at Helen's tomorrow
evening. Glazebrook was to come to visit us
yesterday but has not put in his appearance
yet. Charles and I planned to take Maine and
Miss M^c Cleary out driving Monday evening
a week ago but Maine "vetoed" the bill.

It was reported that some of the girls
wanted to vote the boys out of the new
ring Circle except once a month, but
none of them will admit to it now.

But Skinner is collecting cigar ribbons for
Margaret Ferguson to make a cushion. He
got one from Elmer with the words "my
sweetheart" on it. Clara Skinner was married
a week ago yesterday. There were two
Mormon preachers here a few days
ago and left some of their tracts.

I spent Sunday in Altoona, and accidentally
(?) called on a pretty little "brown eyed" girl. I
went out on Saturday morning and came back
on Monday evening. Had a fine time.

I got a couple songs, "my Little Georgia Sweetheart"
and "I'd leave ma happy home for you" but have
none gotten them learned yet. They
haven't. Also had my ~~new~~ "mug"
tonight. Maybe we will be ready to
surprise you when you come home.

My dear Clementine.

Your letter came
at noon, and you were
you would have to have
it sent on at once.

It might be from either
Tom or Bert - for all I
know.

The house has been
very quiet - all afternoon
I have been running over

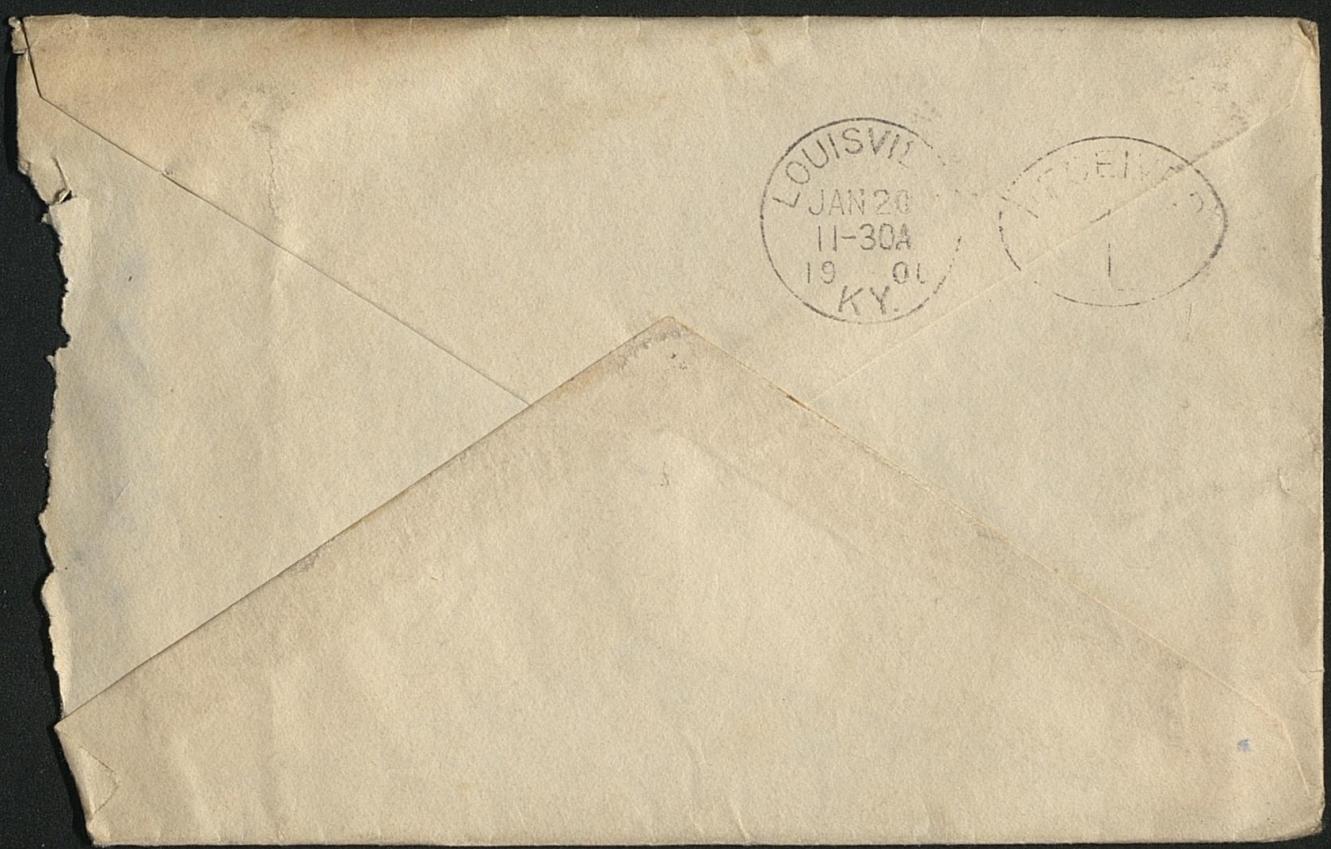
etmally.
With a kiss for my dear
Child, and Compliments for
the two Persons below
My dear affectionate friend

Amanda C. Fahr

January 19th / 900.



Miss Clementina Gordon
#1517. Fourth Avenue.
Somerville
Massachusetts



down, it was such a pretty molding.
Helen Crookins was one of the prettier
maids, I do not know whether you
ever met Miss Shultz or not. Last
Friday Miss Mc. Cune gave a
reception for her, and Saturday
Helen & - gave a dinner, and we
all enjoyed them immensely, with
you had been here.

Mrs Rose Mc. Cune will
be very regular, when she went back

My dear Clementine,

I received your letter
some time ago, and was
very glad to hear you were
having such a nice time,
and am delighted to know
you will stop on the way
home, after all your good
time, you will need a
rest, so come here, and you
can do it here, for all we do
is sit around, and go to
church sometimes, we have

had an evangelist here, for
thru weeks, and this is the
first evening I have been
home for sometime, and it
is wonderful the men who
have come out since this
man is here, it certainly
has made a great many
happy homes. It is
just as I said in Newville
quiet, as any place I
ever knew, we will soon
set this up, and blow away,
Elliott the other day, and I think some
people had a better time at the holida
days than we had, David was
over for a couple weeks, and came
home last Saturday evening.

A nice gift

Was shant broken Mt Holly was
Married on the 24th, and I made

anfully tried bright. Nor my
days do not hesitate to let me know
and come whenever you can, you
are always welcome.

With lots of love,
Jane Weston

LW

Neville Oct.
Edward, fifth nineteen hundred,

to Birmyn at Xmas, she
sent me word, and I went
out to the depot to see her,
it was the first time, I
had seen her, for over two
years, and I was so glad,
if it was only a glance, she
seemed to me to look very
much worried about some-
thing, but what it was
I do not know.

Please do not mention
this, but I heard Hart
was doing so badly now

were both very lively, it leaves Mrs
Ahl alone, Mr. Lilburn is very ill
and I think Mrs. Ahl is going out
soon since his rack to Minneapolis.
There is nothing to keep her back
as she has been staying alone, since
Jane left.

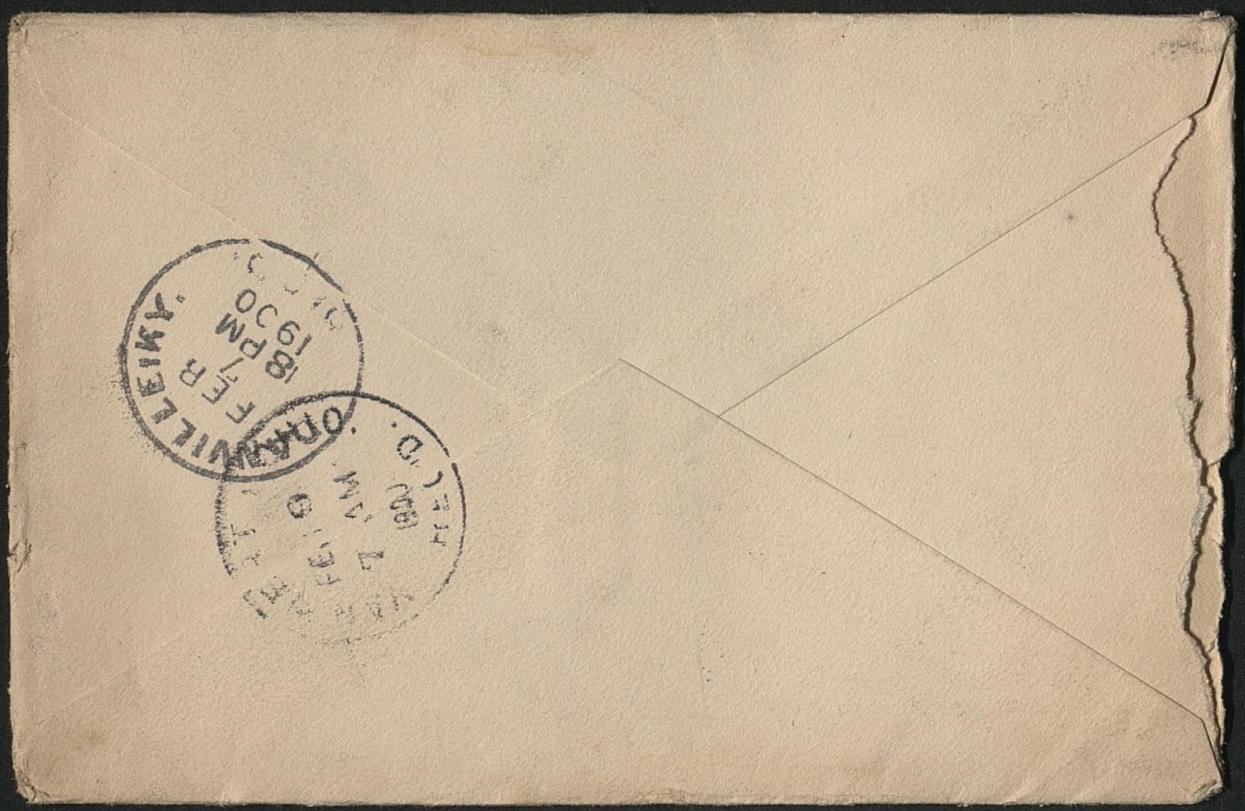
Bell my dear,

I must close, and return, as we
have been so late going to bed, in
the heat this week, and Jane

I feel so sorry for them all,
he was such a promising
young man, but I think
the army just ruined him,
not it too bad.

We were all so delighted
when we found out, that
Jane Ahl was going away,
I do miss her so much,
and Bill too, I suppose you
knew they had left you
until June, of course it is
that much quieter, as they





of Grippe. Ida H. offing and I had planned to go to the City some time - in search for my hat, and as Ida was going any way two weeks ago this Saturday, & wanted me to try to, so as to save an extra trip, I declared I would go, and see a specialist what they go to, & he knows how to build up systems. I never breathed a word to the home people, but I went with this terrible backache to N.Y. It didn't do me much harm, or good either, but I grew worse Monday & Tuesday, and when Dr. came, he pronounced it Grippe! I must to

My dearest old Linie:

Have you been wondering where I am at? I am still in Hanover, and expect to be for some time yet. I have intended so many times, sending you at least a line, but you will understand why I haven't, when I explain the circumstances - About the middle of February, mamma went to visit her sisters in New Brunswick. She was away two weeks, and came home sick with a cold, bronchial, and

a bad cough - Papa and I had had sore throats - while she was away, but had recovered about, when she came. She looked terribly, and has been able to do nothing for several weeks, until now, she is beginning to feel like it. The Dr. troubled us a good deal, for he said her lungs were badly affected, and that he was afraid of consumption - if she didn't get over it quickly. Of course I had all the work, and care of her too, and I really was too tired my dear to think of writing when I got this. Think, to clasp the climax, as it were,

I had the Grippe! I went around the house working, indeed we had company, a gentleman, and I gave a dinner for him, while I had it, and I didn't know what ailed me! I had blinding headaches for four days straight and 'twas all I could do, to keep up, but there's nothing like "have to," to keep one going. I fainted out, my headache suddenly left me, & then my back and legs, ached like toothaches for days. I began to get frightened about myself, thought maybe I would have typhoid. I had no cold you know, and never thought

I think I will go to you, if you want me, first, that is about the middle of May, so as to have my visit with you first, and then about June first we can both go to C - and stay till Corn. is over. Then I'll go on to returning - Is that O. C.?

Will you tell me please, the fare from Harrisburg to Fairmountburg, and also the rate from the latter to C? so I can know a little what to count on? I think, if I can do this way, it will be perfectly lovely to go back together, don't you? I am so anxious to have some of

7th Wednesday, and part of Thursday. And haven't my strength got, tho' I am getting it fast now. Mamma is much better, but I can't leave her yet. Poor Ida is so disappointed, because I couldn't go the 1st of April, as I had fully intended.

Talk about having trouble with the dressmaker! Linia I say! you have never had such a time as I am. I am more sorry a good deal tho', for her, than for myself. She came to me the twelfth of March, and was only here long enough to start two waist-, when she was taken sick, and hasn't been out but one day since. She is doing a little

work at home, and is coming out here
tomorrow for half a day. So I don't
know where I'll have my dude fixed.
The most of it is, what I can't do one
thing myself, on account of my eyes.
I tried it, but dear! I suffered in
consequence. I didn't tell you what
I have done. I can't possibly afford
to go to the hotel at Chambersburg,
at convenient time, and so the
thought came to me, to write to Mrs.
Edgar, and ask her if she would
let you and me, board at the College.
She wrote back a very nice note, saying
that she will be glad to have us, and
will give us a room in the Cottage.

unless she finds she can do better
for us - I asked her what the terms
were, board you know, and she never
said a thing about it. I have been
wondering if they don't mean to charge
us anything - It wouldn't be a great
deal if they did, I think - How
does it strike you any way? You see
I took it for granted you would go,
you see. I don't want to alone -
And now I'll tell you what I think
my plan will be, if convenient
for you. Tell me true if it is or
isn't. Since I want to spend two
months in Pittsburg, and also
want to take in Wilson Co. I

you play cards. You couldn't, were you here. I am glad I don't care for them, for I find it as much less of a sacrifice not to play -

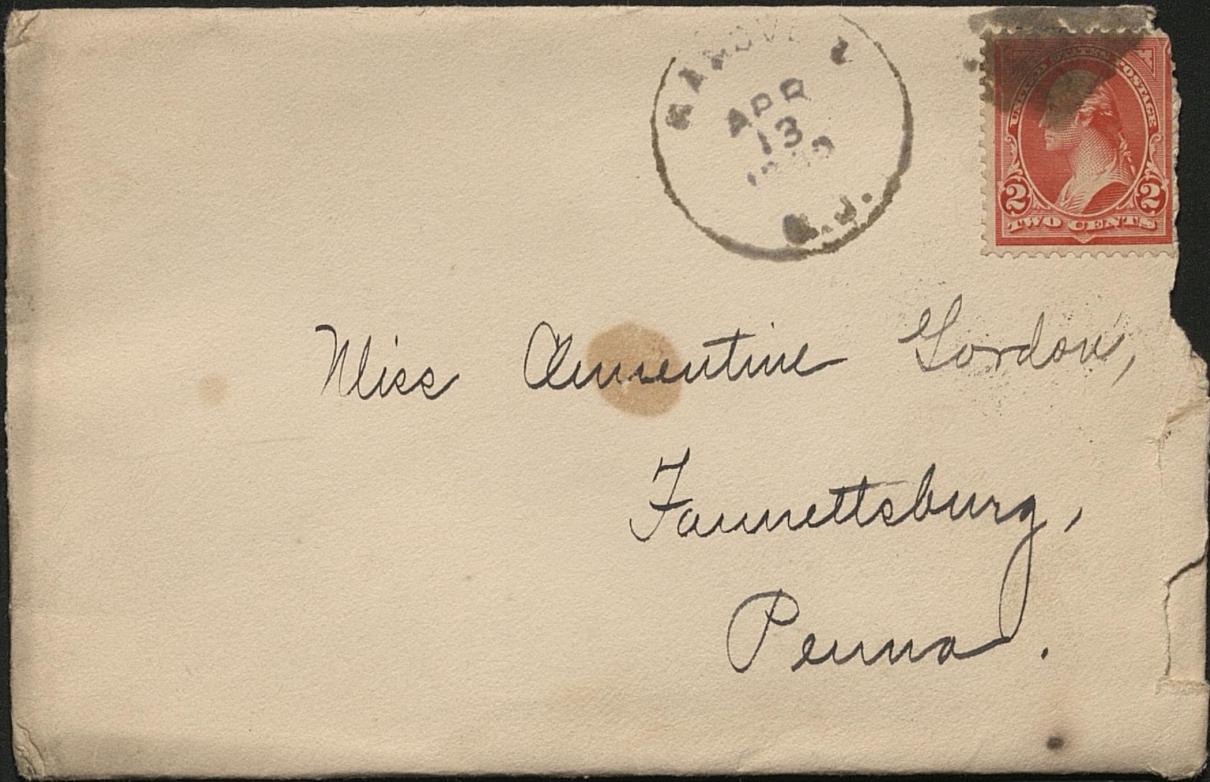
I had a craze for dancing tho' this winter, such as I haven't had for years. I heard from Lish the other day. She is going to Princeton in June, to see her brother graduate - Belle Boyce wrote me that Lappy has been out in Monongahela visiting Julia Abrams. How is Beck, have you seen him? Lish & her mother are in Phila. near Mary, her sister. I must stop now. To write soon dear, and a good long letter to. Your lovingest, Love to your Mother & Mary. Bella.

Our good old Wilson talks again - O! I must tell you, that Harry Kitchell, you remember him? is engaged! Think of it, Gilbert and Harry, engaged this winter. Now will it harder off for boys than ever. You would find our young people very different if you used to come here now. We get together a little, except in our Fancy Work Club. It's awful - I'll be glad to have a change. Only I'm sorry we some accounts to go now, or a little later, because the good times at home, are always in the

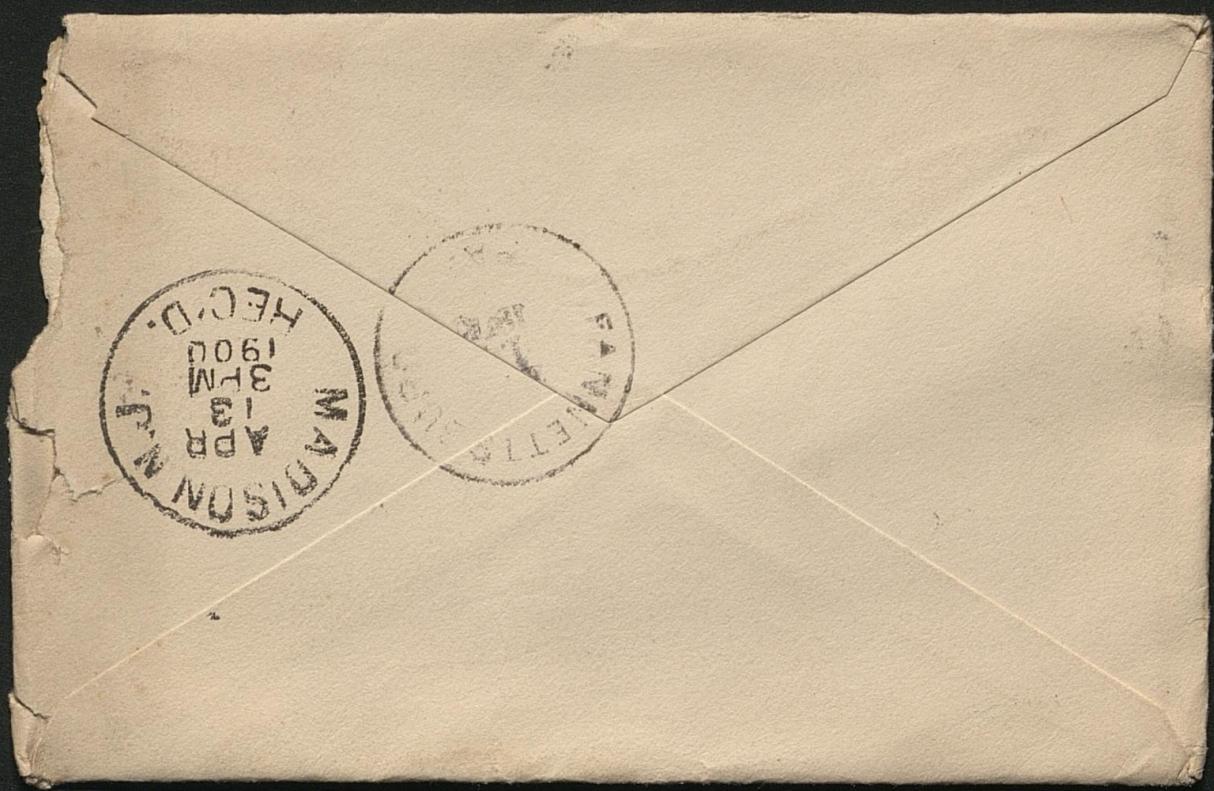
summer. We have had Louise and
Eda Hopkins over several times for
Sabbath. They two are alone now, you
know. They are coming over Sat.
to spend Easter Sabbath and Monday
with us. Do you have a great
time trimming your church for
Easter? It nearly always falls to
my lot to set the ball rolling.
This year, we are going to have
a funny kind of a time as to
music. David H. our chorister,
is very hoarse, and we have no
other man who can lead a choir.
And very few are in the choir.

any way. It seems wicked almost
not to have something. How I wish
I could soar upward, in song, I
mean! But I am not built that
way, to my sorrow. Mamma is
picking out nuts for me to make
creame nut candy, with. Don't you
wish you were here? I do. We are
reading "Richard Carvel" now. I am
you had Jane Maudie?

What a perfectly lonely time you
did have, while you were away,
the last winter! You will have
lots to tell me when I see you.
Jane was surprised to hear that



Miss Amantine Gordon,
Fannetteburg,
Penn.



When I got your letter and learned of our
meeting it was to late for you
to get the bill in on time, but still
I give it to you now day - I do not re-
mind of the late payment to you
so little, I do not want any thing, I
do not want you to do what you thought
was right when I was no good man
to have been born.

My dear old Clementine -
I have waited this long
time for you answering your
letter, for Iffie won't have a
friend in the world if she keeps
on - Now as thy, I had six people
laugh at me at once - I tell
you what it made ^{me} rather thin
when I thought of them all, so

I made up my mind to look
at this Sunday side of it - I took
a sheet of paper, wrote "Fights
in hand" at the top, and un-
derneath I wrote I wrote the
names of the various comba-
tants. Then as fast as the
fights "got good"; as Sarah says,
crossed off the person's name.
I'm only two left now. That

is good news you're all better, you're
giving me a lot of me, my dear, I'm
now I have had big blots added to
me off this man - I had a little when I
also done up to send you, but I was
Mr. Lewis down when you letter came, I
will be sending one to you this afternoon
as soon as I get it, we'll have to wait
till we're about the same he will, and

To see right over my hand in the dining room
in which we had no more than half a
dozen people - Mrs. Chapman, Mr. & Dr.
Fiske & son & a great friend of Mrs. Fiske's
etc., seems to me no more or less strange
now & here to see that the last time I saw him
he was one of us all, and Mr. Garrison,
Mr. Phillips & son, were brought to his
house. If you have any news, or old

news about Garrison, more or less
now than probably even Clarence
was given, and I certainly
did even him mighty hard -
but as far as this nation - I'm a-
fraid you'll both have to
"guess again" - Something
similarly from my happened in
connection with ^{it} too, I say to
you when you remember it,

and it was so funny to help
to myself as I had to make
a confidant of Gramma and
we were laughing about it a
great deal this afternoon, maybe
I'll tell you some time if you
warn't not to pull those side
locks of mine. Gramma and
I are in Pottstown now, have
been for several weeks, maybe

I wrote you to tell you we going -
I did it, who lives at the Court House in
Pottsville you know, and so soon we
are to be married, we both of friends
here and have been waiting us to come
and visit her, or at least we did. She came
up and made us a little visit, then
stayed with her cousins in town, and
all the girls do more or less about visiting

Saturday we have some going to visit us
Mr. & Mrs. - who's to be married this
week. I have all the bride's maid stuff
with her & much before this weekend -
I'm taking John and to a girls' picnic
before George has his wedding. Please
don't mention it to him. I've had no moment
to get in touch, because the of
course no word has been given

Follow up with you a very friendly
lunch soon for your birthday this
week, Mr. Lyman gave a
lecture to us, we're fun invited
to day light and past light
things, Warm and I gave
a little "tea party" and then
have been various other entertainments
in which I won't bore you
by enumerating - Mr. Fudge.

from Phoenixville, came up to
to call, Mrs. L said he told
her he was coming again soon,
Tupper says him to that -

I'm going to make the ballot
a little more than meat with
a thick slice of bacon, and this is
what Mrs. Chapman up, he
and Brother Fudge are great
friends. Went to Boston from
a short time ago to make Mrs.

Marie Marry a little visit - Fiddick had
been there, and thought we'd take the
train down to see him - We had to go -
try to save time to visit Park Ward.
train - forgot we wanted Marie, but
she one of her bidness side last spring -
and she wants me to come again
when she returns - I'm not going
Marion & I decided to come this fall -

got George to take him to cold one
of the temples. I had told him that
soon after that I was going to do one
of his wishes now or do - that it was a
good time to do it, but it wasn't do-
ing him any good for Gurdude's humor
not to send him a bid to the meeting.
But I'm scared to death for poor old

it, and Fan Ming^{4.} is going
to give a luncheon and do
this deed while Gurdude is
away. I like Gangaji Bokha-
nun better than you, he cer-
tainly is a mighty fine fel-
low, and perfectly devoted to
Gurdude, I did have the job
left him in Fan's town - The
Smart house is lost by now,

new wood work and paper
from top to bottom, some ad-
dition made, a big veranda
built, and the whole lower
part of the house all thrown
together - and what cost my
eye more than anything - a
new bath room, tiled in blue
and white - If ever I plan a
house, I have that, even if it

never becomes mine by saving on the
floor. And "immaculate" is to
this house a gem. When I got to Ma-
son's, he set me up my new piano to
find that it was stuck on this a long time
for all he's worth, so that the band
and Willie had been in vain ch. &
when we met George kept on the
old round table again, and again,

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won't help her now, she and
I'll go back on Gilligan's
side. He sent me a little
gold chain for a valentine,
and I got a dear little Vale
on from Russ - he'll tell
her in time for Valentine's
madding, we're to give her a
list of the men we want
or had - she's been so sweet
about letting us select our dresses.

This is certainly a dream with a
catch in it - I'm engaged a
lot of time & have far more work
now than I used to have than
~~I~~ don't see how I can get
through it till later - Must
go to ~~this~~ now - As am of course
on my way and for you diameter
I will say no more
Saffie -
South House - Pottstown - Pa-