

Course sailing out. I  
caught the eye of the  
engineer & raised  
my hand & behold the  
train stopped & I jump-  
-ed on. I tell you I  
will always stand up  
after this for the  
old Smith Penn. The  
train had gone from  
-the depot to Market  
St. but of course was  
not going at full  
speed. John McAllen  
does not look very well.

6 P.M. Tuesday

My dear Boy: - This  
must have been a hot  
day for teaching in  
Harrisburg. It is a little  
cooler this evening  
since the rain.  
Well I got to Chambersburg  
yesterday at 2. & the  
first place I stopped  
was at Mrs. Linnings  
ice-cream parlour. I never  
enjoyed ice-cream more  
it was so cool & refreshing  
after the hot ride. Then  
I went up to Queen St &



called at Kinters & at  
Nucle Mills. Lada was  
over at Bida so I didn't  
see her. Madge was  
busy sewing - getting  
ready for her long talk  
-ed-off trip to Pittsburg  
& Franklin. She will  
go on Friday by way  
of Williamsport. Tom  
was at Anne - John  
& Nucle Mill were out  
some place. I saw John  
on the St. afterward.  
I made the train  
only by within 5 min

teeth". Tom went  
with me to the station  
& he wanted me to  
stop at Nixons for Soda.  
I said I didn't know  
whether we had time  
but he insisted we  
had plenty of time.  
When we got down  
almost to the corner  
of Market & R.R. St. I  
heard the bell ring &  
the train start. The  
car & girl - at me  
to the corner the train



and Madge says he  
hasn't seen well, is  
taking a tonic now.  
Clara is still in  
Farmington, is down  
at Bass Park today.  
They had a dance  
in Park's Lane yester-  
-day evening at 5:30 P.M.  
Helen is still here  
I want to go down  
to see her this evening.  
We expect James at  
9:30 tonight. There  
is a new grand stage



now I shall go  
so he is coming in  
it. I have been busy  
most of the day  
doing various little  
things. Linn has  
been telling about  
the camping party  
& Altry is persuading  
her to write you a  
description.

John has been snowing  
the yard today in  
honor of James' arrival.  
How fine if you were

coming with Linn.  
It's growing too dark  
to write now, so I'll  
finish later after  
James comes.

11 P.M.

James is here safe  
& sound. - It's too  
late to write much  
more. Alice started  
to Decatur yesterday.

With love & affection

Your sister Mary.





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at the cotton with  
his teeth. He nearly  
killed ourselves laugh-  
-ing at him & at  
some of the rest.  
Of course Mama &  
all of us but Linnie  
knew about the party  
before. Such dissipation  
I haven't known since  
I was at Miller's time  
& scarcely then - it  
was hard on a fellow  
sitting up till morn-  
-ing for three success-  
-ive nights.  
Charlie Coteau is here  
Lame Wednesday night

on Thursday night at 12 o'clock  
they had a good time they  
say. I am writing Pa  
Must write another letter  
will stop here day & P.M.  
with love  
My dear Clarence: - Mary  
Your  
letter received on Sat.  
night amid the fes-  
-tivities of the evening.  
So (can you believe it?)  
we had a party - a  
surprise party.  
Edith & Marie Kegan  
got up a series of sur-  
-prise parties for the  
girls who were going  
away - Addie, Leibel,  
Bessie Park & Linnie.  
We went to Addie's on

at 10:30 P.M.



Thursday night, to  
Bess' on Friday night  
and to our house Sat.  
night. Each girl took  
something in the  
way of refreshments.  
There was cake fruit  
& water melon on Sat.  
night. & there was a  
lot of stuff left which  
we have been disposing  
of since. The usual  
crowd attended the  
parties & we played  
the usual games.  
I baked apple sham

cakes for Sat. night  
over which we had  
lots of fun. The inside  
was filled with cotton.  
They were little  
sponge cakes & looked  
very nice - iced all  
over so they looked  
fine & took well.  
I told Helen & Edith  
about it but none of  
them knew it  
till they bit into  
them. You should  
have seen Eddy  
Walker take a great  
big bite & pull & pull



out to Gains' and  
around by Spring Town.  
Had a letter from Mae  
Hudson last week. She  
is now in Williams  
port & is going from  
Niagara Falls.

Mama has had something  
like a stye in her eye,  
but is getting better, she  
was not sick at all with  
it. John & Dan made  
some cider on Skimmer's  
hand press while Papa  
was at Shady Grove. John  
washed his finger &  
Dan got stung with a  
bee on the lip but  
the cider was fine.  
John & Frank Alexander

Went to Williamsport in Wednesday & found  
Mrs. M. Landlish, Carrie  
& Marie are coming  
to Walker's tomorrow &  
I am getting anxious to  
see them. Helen is still  
here, but Bobbie Davis  
has departed to spend  
a month in Cham-  
berburg learning to  
emit. I am the dead  
We love Helen much  
for Bobbie took her to  
the parties & also to  
Church Sunday night.  
Suppose you would  
bring Sunday & Mon-  
day with James. What  
cannon did he preach



Sunday morning -  
Peter & Phadon<sup>2</sup>  
Only a week till you  
come home - but then  
only another one till  
you go again. Linn  
is sewing now at  
under clothes for Helen.  
You must be having  
a good time with the  
"Crows". Their comen-  
-tion must be equal  
to the Goshes.  
I have been doing a  
variety of things today.  
This morning I drove  
up to the mountain

road for some sand  
to plant some rose  
cuttings. I was down  
at Mr. Park's yesterday  
& he gave me a large  
bunch of roses so I  
concluded to take some  
cuttings & plant them  
according to directions  
in Park's Rose Budget.  
Then I ironed a while  
& skinned tomatoes  
after dinner - mostly  
worked the buttonholes  
in a cosset cover for  
Linn. After supper  
Don & I took a drive



10:30 P.M.

Mail just in & your  
letter read - it was a good  
long interesting one.  
Am glad Jim was  
killed in Harvard.

Too late to write more

Mary

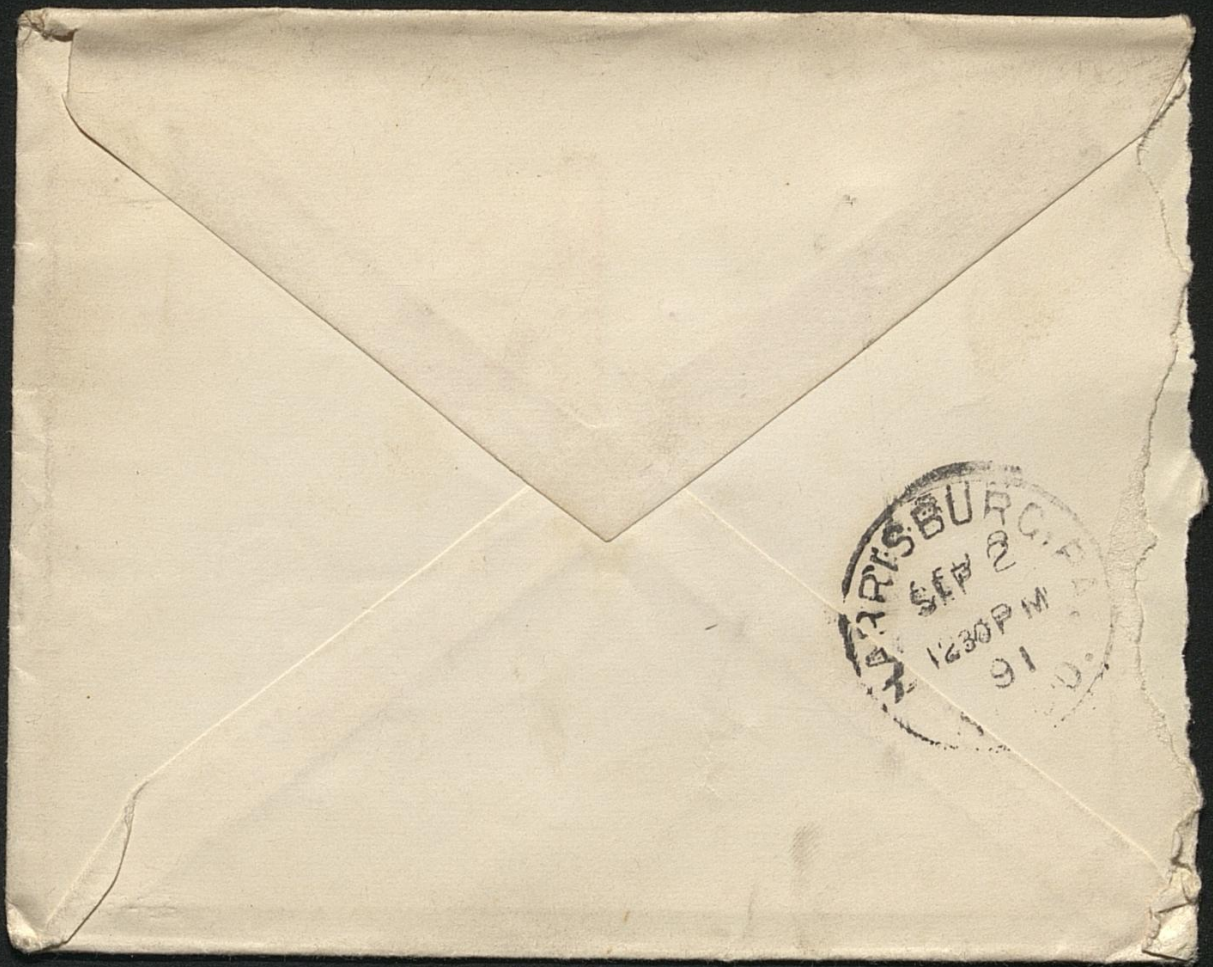
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