

Belle must have had a funny time
with her two Aunts - both seem a bit
peculiar - Lizzie said she could not chop
much on the edge for she went so fast
through things, just like a whirlwind
and you know Aunt Lizzie
does not go that way usually at chopping
Bord is going to run the farm
next year - Lizzie says she has only
promised to try it for one year as
an experiment - but they will have to
buy some stock and farming implements
and have a man hired to do
the farming - he will live in part of
the house and board himself
and perhaps other hired hands -
Bord she says will pay most of the
expense and she will let him
have most of proceeds of farm for
next year - I doubt whether it will be a
success financially any way but farming
is not very good any way these
times -

Thursday 7 P.M. -

January 25th 1901

My dear Clarence

Although the letter
from Kentucky last night was
from Clementine I think I
will write to you as I do not think
you have had a letter ^{at all} from
home since you returned -
Last night's letter was from Louisville
where you must all have had
a nice time I suppose by this
time you are busy again at
your work and Clementine
is back again in Danville -
The Kentucky people certainly know
how to have a good time and
how to entertain their friends -
I do not see how we could ever
return the kindness - not in the
same way at any rate. This
evening I find Mary and her

Mother the only occupants of the
house again - Your Father went
again to Burnt Cabins to be away
till over Sunday - will have
preaching these evenings and
Communion service on Sabbath -
Last week he was three or four
days had Mr. Dutton and D. C.
Sheerer a Committee from Paris,
visitation - he came home on
Saturday with a cold and seemed
all tired out - he is better now
and rested up - but I did not
want him to go today as it has
been so damp and raining
this afternoon - however it seems
to be clearing off since sundown
but I doubt if they have service
tonight - It seemed so dreary
after he started away but of course
we have had supper and

camps lighted things look a little
more cheerful - Mary is doing some
Missionary work as her Secretary - has
her writing on table and I at desk in
dining room - with door open
into back parlor which we still
keep heated most of the time
with wood stove - Yesterday Mary
and I went to see Aunt Lizzie
got there about 11 o'clock took
dinner with her and stayed till
4 o'clock - left Papa to get his
own lunch and have a nice
quiet day to himself and were
home in time to get supper -
Aunt Lizzie is quite well and bright
had a good deal to tell us of her
trip to Philadelphia and Chambersburg
She and Eliza Ann and Belle Elliott
went together - and they were all
together at the hotel for a few days -
then Eliza went to Hill's

Must not be trifled with - you
must obey the laws of health,
(write a little lecture on the
subject) but I fear therefore
I have not given enough of
advice to my children - let them
take things too much as they come
and they have perhaps suffered
things which might have
been avoided -

Ever so much love for you
from Mary and myself -

Devotedly your loving
Mamma -

Our sale of farm is advertised for
1st of March I believe or sometime
near that - I hear nothing more of
Sale of Uncle Will's - indeed we
hear nothing about them, see them
very seldom - Mary and I were out
about two weeks ago - Nedje has
not been here since before the
Holidays and John has altogether
ceased making us any calls - Patka
meets him occasionally at P. Office
but says he is exceedingly stiff - I wrote
a note to Nedje today, putting
it in office - asking her to come
in for a few days but I do not know
whether she will come or not.

Edith Chryman started on Tuesday
last on her trip to Phila. - I think
it is this week that the lawyers
are to have a meeting in Greenastle
about her the divorce - Dr. has applied

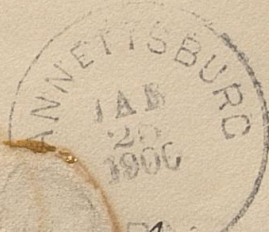
for divorce and unless he should
withdraw the application I suppose
she will soon be free from him.
I have been thinking your coal bill
will not be a very heavy one for
your room if you have as mild
weather as we have and perhaps it
is still warmer with you - but then
the Feb. blizzard may yet come.

Mrs. Sales wrote me a very sweet letter
a few days ago. Give her my
love and tell her I so much
appreciated the letter - Clementine
will begin to think of starting
northward and eastward - but
it will be some time yet before
we can welcome her home -
we are very anxious to see her
and have her with us again but
do not wish her to hurry home
she certainly has been having a

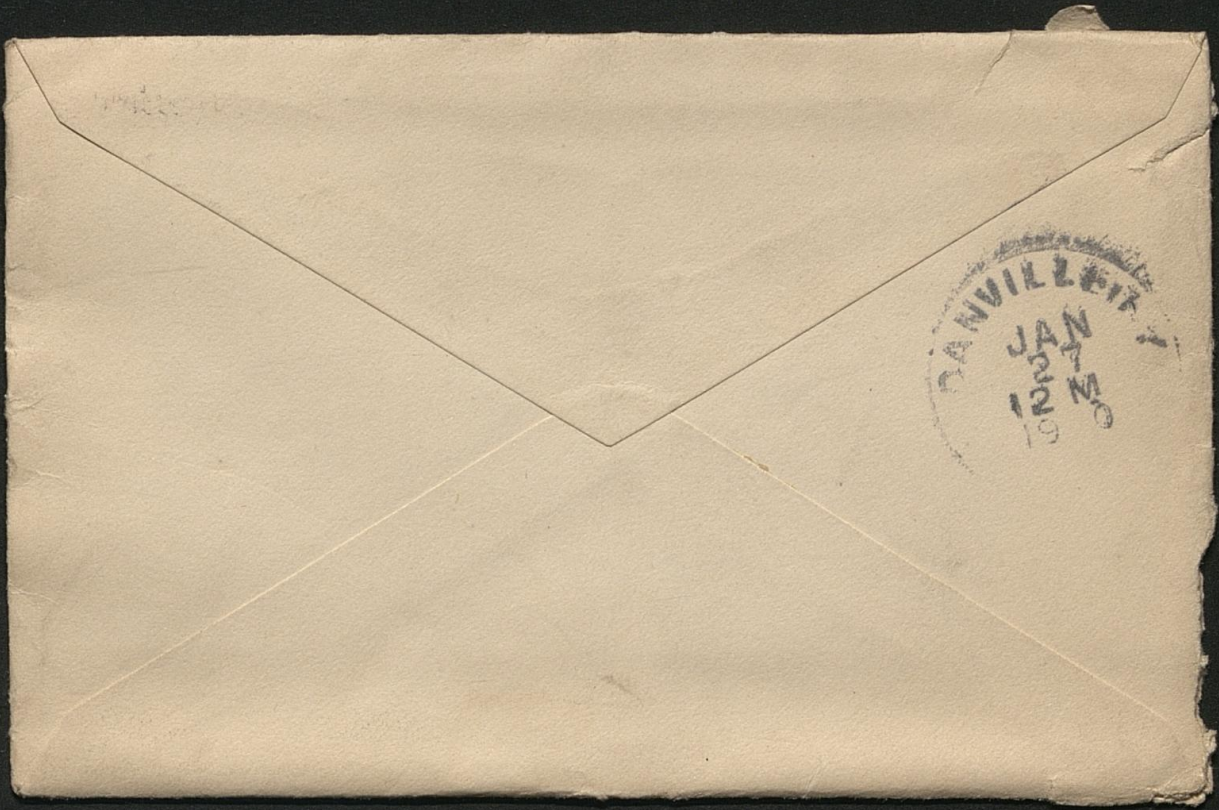
delightful visit - I hope she will
see Mrs. Lucy Lee Bell if she can.
She has written me two such
nice letters - Oh! Clarence I hope
you will not allow the family groups,
which have been in the hands of
Photographers so long, to be lost
or spoiled too much - you
should see to them -

John wrote us that he had
been writing to Clementine
so you will have the news
from him. We have not heard
from James yet this week.

I hope you and Clementine
keep well - take care of the
health - watch up that stomach
of yours and do not eat things
which do not suit it -
You have good health but it



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expect to bring the Flickinger home
till Spring - I don't think Edith
knows anything of it. Mary was up
with her while Mr. was here spent
day and night - Edith spoke of
Mr. writing to Uncle Tommy and
he had not written to her, so
to think he might have done so
said he had gotten a new over
coat and sent his old one
home by express - Edith was
in a little while yesterday had
come down with Uncle Tommy
spoke of Mr. having gone to
seemed right & cheerful
but said nothing of the magazine
I had a little visit to Aunt Joyce's
last week - went down one
morning with Pappa when he
was going to funeral at Linnick
told him he need not send for
me I might stay all or night
come up in pack, I concluded
to stay till morning when Pappa
said he would bring me up

Thursday 5: P. M.

My dear Clarence
We received
your letter telling of your safe
arrival at Washington, it was
several days on the way, not
receiving it till Monday evening
think, which made us all
more anxious to hear of you
I hope your cold and that little
cough gone by this time altogether
disappeared. We are settled
down again to common life
and the Christmas vacation
seems to have been in the
far past, it went by all too
quickly. This evening finds me
alone in the parlor. Pappa has
gone to Aunt Babins side to
another wedding - at 5 this
evening - Mrs. Apple to Mr. Forester
the distance and the late hour
of the wedding makes it impossible
for him to reach home in time

for meeting tonight to be
expected to remain one night.
Mary has gone out on an
errand and the boys are
around some place at Stone's
likely. We have been having
meetings in evening all week
they are quite well attended.

Staff & presides of course but
has been appointing each evening
some one to open up the subject
Mr Walker first night second
Oliver Park, and last evening
Mr Cowan, last night Mr Walker
and Mr Michael Regieris
made remarks - thought Mr
Debut is to have charge of
meeting - and we want some
of them to do to read or take
some part - Mr Regieris has
promised to do so and likely
a couple of others - Unfortunately
have not got my glasses home
from Chamberlain and cant see

well at night with the ones I am
using - Well the most astonishing
thing which has happened since
your departure in society is the
announcement of the marriage
of Mr. Fisher! He came
home Friday last bringing with
him and showing at Mr. Walker's
his marriage certificate,
married in Philadelphia by Father
somebody - so I suppose the
bride is a Catholic - We could
not possibly not believe it when
John first told us of the
suppose but as one and another
repeated it - coming it seemed
from Mr. himself and
then the notice of it in the
Walker's paper last night - makes
us think now there can be no
mistake. Some one said Uncle
Tommy said Mr. said that he
had not intended going
married when he left home
but indeed I am dumbfounded
at his conduct - He does not

all day and was ^{too} tired
to go to meeting at night
so had promised June
to write the home letter

Our meeting tonight was
quite interesting - Mr. Deibert
led and talked some
and read article from
Banner. Mr. Walker made
a right long talk on Missions
and Mr. Keyseris - Mr. Keyseris
failed to come, and made a
short speech, a couple
dozen words I expect and got
leaved at that. Though May
said she didn't know I was and
hope no one else did. Annie
Pank read an article, as that
was out there I thought Annie would
not read her paper so that the ~~woman~~
might not fail to read it.

The afternoon of same day I put
May up to Edith's and as Edith
wished her to stay till next day
she also stayed all night and
that we were both away. About
the time Bond could not make
arrangements to bring me up you
~~had~~ appeared upon the scene. Coming
for me started just after breakfast
I guess he thought it would be
just getting along without us both.
He had quit from Egea Fun
on Saturday. I wonder how your
weather is by this time at Kalamazoo.
I hope not so changeable as here
a little snow this morning, sunning
this afternoon, rain this evening
and now (6/2) blowing up cold
again. As meeting is at 7, I
must stop writing now and
get ready for it. Hope you have
got your drawings all right, they
were sent by Monday's mail.

You will see I am using the
brown paper, the only objection
to it, is its size - good for many
purposes but don't suit for long
letters - I have not heard
from Papa say but I expect he
will not send for any more
as I do not think it will suit
him in size - what was the
expense? We had nothing
to pay as Harry did not charge
for bringing from P. - This pen
is so poor I can scarcely
write - 9 P. M. -

Nothing over and mail
in - Three letters ^{for} Mary
one from you, one from
Livy, one from Alice -
so we have heard from
you all - glad to have
so cheery a letter from

you and so glad to
know that your cough
is no more, even if
you did not take
anything to cure it -
Clementine is well did
not write very much, said
she had not much to
write but as she was
determined to have two
letters from home as well
she supposed she would
have to write two -
Nothing special in Alice's
letter, telling of calls and
tea party and a little
of her housekeeping, a
good letter - she had been ^{out}