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No. 66 North Pearl St.

My dear parents,

I write you not to answer a letter for I have none to answer, but merely to inform you that there is such a person in existence as Sarah F. Hicks, that she formerly resided in New Hartford is a fact well known to many, that she left N. H. in November last for a home in the city you may be aware, she return in April and stayed one short week then returned to the city to finish her school education, since that time she has not heard whether she still has friends in New Hartford or not, any information concerning them would be gratefully received, the same in regard to certain friends she had in Ohio.

But enough of this, suffice to say I have looked every day for a letter but looked in vain, and have finally come to this sage conclusion that Ma must be cleaning house, or else that you had both started for North Bloomfield. How are they all in Ohio. I heard of the death of the baby though the Sangers indeed it must be a great disappointment to them, it seemed as if it lived just long enough for them to become attached to it. When do you go west? I presume however very soon. Only then we have only seven weeks more to stay, and then goodbye to books for a season, only imagine if possible our rising every morning at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 4. It is even so, we retire about  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 10. We now have eight recitations in a day viz Botany, Hame's Elements of Criticism, Trigonometry, Butler's Analogy, Payley's theology, Abercrombie's Philosophy of mind; and geometry. Thus you see our time is all taken up we get to the Academy at eight stay until 12 then from 2 until 5. Now it is my opinion that I ought at least receive two letters from home my writing one, but possibly you may have a different opinion.

Perhaps you may be aware that you can send any time by Mr. Perkins, he goes home every Friday, and returns Monday morning by the bye Ma I wish you would send me your black lace shawl. I have not seen anything new as yet in the shape of long shawls and I wish you would send that thin gauze long shawl for me to wear to school, and finally do send a bouquet you can by putting in a small box with wet cotton.

When is Mary Sherrill coming down. I wish you would let me know, and how long she is going to stay. Has Ella gotten well? Henry said she had been very sick.

Mr. Crittendon is going to leave here next year and is going to Brookline to establish a school on the same principle as this. You cannot imagine how glad I am that I came this year, as he is going to leave. I would not give a fig for the school after he leaves for he is the main stay and pillar. I presume a great many of his old scholars will follow him. Have you ever received a "Lecture on Astronomy" through the Post office, it was delivered before our class by our request it was printed and Professor Watson said he sent me one while I was home but I did not get it. So I did not know but you might have received it after I went away.

I have not time to finish this and must send it unfinished. But do answer it very soon and it will greatly oblige your affectionate Daughter

Sarah

Give a great deal of love to all who may take the trouble to ask, not forgetting Jane.

We have elected our officers for the Alumnae next year that looks very much like graduating.

Mr. Crittendon has gone to New York today!! And the girls are all mighty independent.