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Kind Friend:

Thine is a wealth of womanhood,
A mind of might; a heart of good.
We feel that in the future thine
A mission is almost divine.
Faint not nor falter; tho' the night
May gather round thee, heaven's light
Will break the darkness. God is near
To those whose lives are sweet & clear.

Leonard Garver.

Oberlin College, 1874.



"The eight have thousand eyes,
And the day but one,
Yet the light of the whole world sees
With the day one.

The world has a thousand eyes,
And the heart but one,
Yet the light of a whole life sees
When love is done."

Daybrook, Ohio.

Jan. 2, 1886.

Your friend,
Victoria R.



The flowers are very
 large and very
 beautiful. The
 color is a deep
 blue. The
 leaves are
 green and
 very
 smooth. The
 flowers are
 very
 fragrant.



Acaulis Barlyoojoo
 Marash

Oberlin March 15, 1884. Turkey

May many Happy
New Years be yours

L. R. Harris

From Wesley College
Duluth, N.E.
Jan 2, 1886.





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That our heavenly Father may
grant you strength to realize
your highest ideal of a life
of service for your fellow-
men, is the wish of

Your friend,

B. F. Ousley

Berlin, 3-22-87

O. J. S. '84

The Lord bless thee & keep thee.

"He always wins who sides with God.

Your Bro. in Christ.

Oberlin O. Aug. 14. 1884.

Geo. Clark.



"Galeed and Mizpah." "The Lord
watch between me and thee when
we are absent one from the other."

Truly your friend -

C. H. Churchill -

{ Oberlin O. }
{ Sept 1. 1884 }

I know not the way I am going,
But well do I know my Guide;
With child-like trust I give my hand
To the mighty Friend at my side;
And the only thing that I say to Him
As He takes it is: - Hold it fast,
Suffer me not to lose my way, and lead me
Home at last.

Ellie F. Churchill

Sept 2d 1884

"It is the heart and not the brain,
That to the highest doth attain.

And he who followeth this blissful
Far excelleth all the rest!"

Your Sincere Friend,

Wm. L. Westcott

Weymouth

Sub. Wm. 26, 1874

Isaiah XXVI: 3.

יֵצֵר סֶמֶךְ הַצֵּר שְׁלוֹם שְׁלוֹם כִּי
כִּי בְּטוֹחַ:

Your Friend.
W. H. Clapp

G. F. S. March 22. 1884.

à Annie,

Ma chère amie.

Dieu, qui sourit et qui donne,
Et qui vient vers qui l'attend,
Pourvu que vous soyez bonne,
Sera content.

Le monde où tout étincelle,
Mais où rien n'est enflammé
Pourvu que vous soyez bête
Sera charmé

Mon cœur, dans l'ombre amoureuse
Où l'enivrent deux beaux yeux
Pourvu que tu sois heureuse
Sera joyeux.

(V. Hugo)

Tout à vous

Annie

Raleigh, N. C.
8 May 1886.



"We know not in what ways God
may lead us, it may be in the
sunshine, it may be in the shadow,
but so long as the heart is right,
and the light within bright, we have
nothing to fear, and all good things
to hope for."

Mattie A. Parmelee.

Brookfield, Mass.

To

My Annie:

Let nothing disturb thee,
Nothing affright thee;
All things are passing;
God never changeth;
Patient endurance
Attaineth to all things;
Who God possesseth
In nothing is wanting.
Alone God sufficeth.

Charlin Dec 10 - 1883

Your Mamie.

It is aw awful but also a majestic
truth that even while we are in the flesh,
and moving about amid earthly relat-
-ions, we are already in the invisible
world.

Alex Crummell...
#

3rd
10 June/86

Dear Friend,-

When far away will you sometimes
think of a girl with love and best wishes
for your future I am

Yours True Friend,

Mattie M. Maynard,

Upper Sandusky,

Bellevue O. March 25, 1924.

(O. H. W.)

"Work without hope draws nearer to a sieve,
And hope without an object cannot live!"
"Coleridge"

Alfred V. Churchill.

Cleveland Ohio

Aug 29 - 1887

The types of mankind are various,
They differ like the waves, but they
Are one like the sea.

Frederick Douglass

1889

"It is better than paper

To write one's name

On the heart of a fellow man."

Your true friend,

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 7th, 1854.

Mrs. S. G. D. Hills.

Mrs. Cooper,

My Friend, —

"Thus it is over all the earth,
That which we call fairest
And prize for its surpassing worth,
Is always rarest." — Bitter-sweet.

Always Your Friend,
Mary E. Pierce.

O. O. 4, 6, 1884.

"Teneo et Teneor."

"I hold and I am held! What hold I to;
And what holds me! I hold Thy cross,
Thou Word
Of the Eternal! Where the invisible Jew
Pierced Thee, my fingers press, nor can be
stirred,
Though hell oppose! By Thee my soul is held!
By all Sathanean's army, and grim
Whited, joined, and sought can break the mold
But why own want of faith - my unbelief!"

"So warm, sweet, tender, even yet a patient help is He,
And faith has still its Object, and love its Salve."

March 9. '84.

Your very loving,

Eugenia C. Baird.

Ms. A. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.
Ms. A. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.
Ms. A. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.

“The bustle which a man casts around him,
like the flame of a candle, shines only when the
medium is continuous. The moments of rest and
obscurity are the same.”

(Ferguson)

Truly yours,
Eda M. Lawrence.

Janiah A. Root, Oberlin, Ohio

Clark H. Myer, Painesville, O

Χρή πᾶν ποσῶν, εὔστε ἀρετῆς καὶ
φρονήσεως ἐν τῷ βίῳ μετασκευῶν.
καλὸν γὰρ τὸ εὖθλον καὶ ἡ ἐλπίς μεγάλη.

Σωφράτης.

O.C., May 6th, 1854.

Alice Younglove.

Eliza Benham Young.

Charella Lentage.

Enclad - Lake Erie.

June 24, 1909.

Mary R. Matter, Broadhead, W. Va.

Frances H. Ensign, Madison, O.

Carrie E. Day, Oberlin, O.

Bena Brown Scott - Cleveland.

Kate Ford Whitman Cleveland

"They who love best need friendship most.
And he who gathers from a host
Of friendly hearts his daily food,
Is the best friend that we can boast."

Sincerely your friend,

Emma Younglove,
Rochester,

Obelin, Ohio, May 7, '84.

Wm. W.

"Still our great life to be the highest
which is a conscious voluntary sacrifice."

Florence Gill.

North Mansfield,
Ohio.

Oberlin College, April 21, 1884.

Be, too, for light, - for strength to bear
Our portion of the weight of care,
That crushes into death despair
One half the human race." Longfellow.

Your loving friend,

Florence B. Phelps
O. Suffield,
Conn.

Andover College, Dec. 25, 1874.

Dear friend

With me the sands of life
are almost out, but we will look forward
with the blessed hope, of a joyful meeting on
the better shore of the spirit-land, where no
voice shall say Farewell. L J Turner

Berlin Sept 1/84.

Dear friend

May your life be filled with duty
and usefulness in obedience to all
Gods requirements. Thus will time
pass happily, & your eternity be joyful indeed.

Berlin. Aug. 8. 1884.

C. B. Clark.

Yours respectfully,
Fred H. Bacon

Conservatory of music. Oberlin O. 3/21/24

My kind love I wish you have
been thinking "what a grand place
Eternity will be in the perfection
of friendship, plenty of time
your kind."

Berlin, O.
July, 1854

Yours with love
Anna H. Jones.

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St. Augustine's Normal
School and Collegiate Institute,
Raleigh, N.C., Sept. 10. 1851.
To President Fairchild,
Oberlin College, Ohio.

Dear Sir,

Mrs. A. J. Cooper,
whom this line will introduce
to you, was from her childhood
taught in my school. She has for
a number of years been one of my
assistant teachers. She voluntari-
ly resigns this post of tuition, and
applies for admission to Oberlin
College, that she may, by the fur-
ther prosecution of liberal studies,
be better qualified to take part
in the great work, now going
forward in the South, for the
Christian education of its colored
people. To an active partici-

Mrs. Cooper has read some two or three hundred pages, - excerpt, from Xenophon, Plato, Herodotus, and Thucydides; in Greek poetry, several books of the Iliad. In Latin, she has read Caesar's seven books of Commentaries De Bello Gallico, Sallusti Jugurtha and Catiline, half a dozen select orations of Cicero, and six books of Virgil's Aeneid. She is a thorough algebraist, and has mastered the first seven books of Robinson's Geometry.

In very warm terms commending Mrs. Cooper to your entire confidence and esteem, and begging that you will take a personal interest in her progress as a student and in her general welfare, I am, with great respect,
John E. C. Smedes, Principal of
St. Augustine's Normal School.