

Stockton Feb 5-1891

Dear Alice:-

Your letter was received Tuesday afternoon. Was sorry to hear you had had such a time with your examinations, but was rather expecting something would go wrong when Emma G. told me you had a sty on your eye. Well, it was one of the disappointments of life that we must put up with. It seems like a little thing looking at it one way, still I know it was a trial to you at the time. I hope you will not let anything discourage you enough to come home unless your health should fail. If you should have another sty bathe it as often as you can with cold tea and bind on the wet tea leaves at night that will take out the inflammation as well as anything we are all about as usual here. Your

Grandmother is still here but is talking of going home to day. Emma & Ben, Aunt, and George were over last night playing cards. Ben did not write that piece in the Independent - he told the reporter his ideas on the subject, and he put it in his own language. Emma & did not wear your dress on her anniversary, she is talking of having her wedding dress fixed over a little. It sprinkled a little last night and is cloudy to day, as though it wanted to rain and could not. I wish it would pour down. I would be willing to put the buggy up for a month if it would. Our Violets are blue with blossoms and we have one calla lily out and another nearly ready to come out. Frank went out hunting day before yesterday and brought home eight ducks. I am cooking three for dinner and he gave the others to George. I hope this letter will find you well and started in to school again all right.

From your mother E. M. Watrous.

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