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### Letter to parents, undated (likely 1886)

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It will take a new sheet to tell it on.  
As you all knew, only about four of the  
essays could be read. At a faculty meeting  
it was decided that Miss Anderson, Blanton,  
Caruthers and Snapp should read.

Each one is to go to some one teacher for  
suggestions and practise. Since mine lays  
in Dr. Ruffner's subject I have to take  
mine to him. They will have to be added to  
and remodelled in many ways. It will  
require much extra work and long tedious  
practise. I will have to work like a major  
to keep up in class every day, do this  
extra work, and study for the examinations.

Of course right much depends upon the  
final test but from present prospects,  
I am one of the fortunate ones.

The minute I heard it, I knew how  
pleased Pap and you all would be.



I must not say too much about it for  
of course their decision is not unalterable.  
I shall do my best not to have mine chang-  
ed. It is only to be gained by steady  
hard work. I am well, all at Cousin  
Granny's send love.

This is Friday evening and what I  
do now is so much gained for most rest  
then. I hope soon to hear from you all  
and please write real often. In about  
three weeks all will be over.

Many thanks to Ma and Patsie for the  
work. They were sewed nicely and so many  
nice little tucks, trimmings etc, which if I  
am kind of old maidish, I am very fond of.  
Lots of love to you all none excepted.

I know you all sent much love, certainly  
the expression of it in the box.  
Write soon Jean.