

My own dear Mary

I was very agreeably surprised
this evening to see your father at our house and
was rather disappointed at not seeing you with
him. I don't know why but I got it in my
head that you was not attending school this term
and knew that your father was out here often
and I had really anticipated a visit from my
gay friend Mary. I must be brief for you
distracted in the evening and I of my old heart
have collect to see you and I must leave for
a short time. The very agreeable talk of writing to
my good friend I — little says say a good word
for them to my friend and say they are here
some night will fathers here but never
I speak — but as for your writing me for Mary
say I think it is perfectly needless for
every thing you could be in your right mind
to think that why I would never allow to pass
and as for Miss Dick and the children I think they
will do well very well here I suppose you enjoy
yourself very much with your holy friend Mary
must get please you very best love to her
and tell her to have a tender care our one
side but love friend I — don't you think

May I have not written to write yet make
all the expenses in the world for me and tell
her I will certainly write soon it is not true
I do not feel any inclination to write to her
as her bad company as I have been away an
hour I have been home I have set up until
12 writing this may I have grown so much you
would not see me if you were to see me an
please come and see if you will your father
comes out often why cannot you come with
him some time I am getting sleepy times
and all that sort of thing pray excuse this
I scrape for I will write you a letter out
longer one except than my best love to Mrs.
Greenwich Smith and all those I know at W.
what a beautiful humble looking letter this
is indeed May I do not believe you can see
it at all so May for my sake excuse this scrawl
and believe me your very true thing which friend
Nelly A

I'd wrong the letter is not going by mail I
put in a pair of my new gown what it stands
of it may I would send you a pair of
but it is too small and it would be better
as they have both come from Newcastle to day I
if make up the 2 or 3 or 4 new dresses shall
you like write your truly friend Nelly

and all that with a strong pray of course that
I may for I will write you a letter and
bring one except I have my best love to Mrs
General's health and all that I know it is
what a beautiful humble looking letter this
is indeed may I do not believe you can see
it all do may for every sake excuse this
and believe me your very true friend
Nelly A

I'm sorry the letter is not going by mail I will
fit in a piece of my own paper and I think you
of it may I would write you a piece of my heart
but it is too much and it would be nothing more
and they have both come from Newcastle to day I expect I shall
I make requests a sometimes your stress shall and I don't what think
you like write your truly friend Nelly

very glad
to hear
of you

Thank very glad To hear from you
my dear Mary To see and read your
epistle with perfect ease