

15 Jan 1917

205 WEST FIFTY-SEVENTH STREET

Dear Alicia -

Mother said  
was beautiful in her  
voice - "See Linn, see  
the beautiful sketches  
taken for you by Little  
Alicia" - I admire the  
work exceedingly and  
thank you many times  
for it, but I love my

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He is certainly charming and plays  
the part so well - I am going to  
ask her to a free one so they  
at Chicago - He is so young, she  
should have some as well as each  
are the time. Paul came down for  
a vacation the first week of February  
and we go to Geneva - Geneva forever  
your music speaks - My love to you -  
Little one of yours -

Appreciably -  
Berni

doubt about Linda  
Alice putting in some  
sketches -

I am glad you are so  
well and running  
around - meeting again  
with you and the  
little running at a  
mod speed - Virginia's  
wedding must have been  
lovely - We had a gay  
Christmas with Paul  
at home - eight dances  
in ten days - besides

Chickie very joyful and skating  
all morning. Paul is going out a  
good deal in Boston too. He  
Kendrickson had a big dinner at the  
Plym Thursday evening. Clump Clark  
had much to say of Kendrickson's  
the Post and Present - You and I  
were guests of the Hives -  
The Gale and Howard trip so to  
met Barbara Milburn were chided  
by Kenneth's a real shame -

you to go to Ithaca with  
her, I think it might  
be well for you to write  
to her, she seems so  
anxious.

Genevieve is not staying  
with Mrs. Menge, but  
is there often. I saw  
her in a park and  
Lionel this aft. with  
the women. She looks  
happier than days.

20 March 1917

My dear Alice,

After you  
rush in leaving  
there was no railroad  
strike. We have missed  
you at my turn.  
Mrs. Ridgely had lunch  
with me Saturday. We  
both regretted that  
you were not with

us, the musicals +  
reading was quite  
interesting.

Sunday the Stems went  
with us for a ride.  
I was so disappointed  
when they found you  
had gone. I said they  
intended having a  
party for us last  
week, but out of

tom friends came unexpectedly.

Mrs Palmer called yesterday;  
she said she quite a little  
mist. said she says in  
very wet to her room  
you, perhaps she or David  
at train.

Mrs Van der Meer  
Saturday night wanted

Fritz was around in  
your room looking  
for you, I think he  
misses his Aunt Abie  
calling his Aunt  
Lonny names. He is  
badly in need of  
another bath.

I hope you found  
everything alright

upon your return, I  
know you will feel  
more settled when  
I am installed  
in your little room  
at the Cortlands. I  
hope the threatened  
Rail Road strike fright-  
ened our friend  
home.  
I can think of

nothing else that might

disturb you.

Mr. Tolson

Yours very truly,  
Frank

March 20<sup>th</sup> 1917

New Orleans, La.

English, I had it marked in  
plain drop letters. I put a  
little more into it than  
I would have otherwise  
as Mr. Irah wrote the  
plan (Mr. 'Harriman')  
some man. I  
haven't been able to decide  
about dishes yet.  
I think the house will be  
very attractive. My room  
is dull formal. malvazog  
bed, writing desk, vanity  
dresser, chiffonier, two

21 May 1917

My dear Alice,

It has been  
so long since I have  
had a word with  
you, I have forgotten  
where we left off.  
My time is so taken  
up with fitting up the  
new house, and trying  
to do a few things on  
the outside, and cross

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most two morning in  
the road, I am one of the  
instructors. the days are  
gone before I know it  
I have take on another  
task. Learning to run  
the auto mobile, I can  
handle it very well now.  
haven't been in the  
traffic or canal street  
yet, want to be thoroughly  
familiar with my -

thing first. I got rid of the  
Edward & Ethel about the  
week ago. now from a maid  
to do the house cleaning  
laundry & wash on table  
which is far more satisfactory  
& cuts on his my expenses  
about forty dollars a month  
I have all of my flat silver  
Saratoga, I wish you all.



mauve color and lined  
with black, cushions, small  
pads, nap cushions + set.  
I know you are tired of  
all this detail, but was  
anxious for you to see  
what I had done. Mrs. Ridgely + other friends  
have inquired about  
you. All join me in love.  
Let us hear from you  
affectionately  
Maude.

wicker chair<sup>5</sup>, enameled,  
with cushions of cretonne.  
~~Painting~~ Adam perfect  
Great room old iron  
furniture, bed, dressing  
table, chiffonier, chairs,  
old iron. up stairs curtains  
and Grand mother seats.  
Everything down stairs is in  
antique mahogany.  
Hall. Carole table, mirror.  
settee covered in striped  
velvet, table for mahogany  
lamp + shade. →

living room - 6.

Davenport with three  
seat cushions covered in  
blue velvet. wing chair  
covered in linen same  
as drapes, arm chair  
covered in velvet same  
as davenport, ottoman  
in same velvet, Windsor  
arm chair, secretary  
chair covered in check  
tapestry. drop leaf table.  
davenport end table, console  
table, mirror gold frame.

mahogany lamp standard  
with shade, lamp for  
davenport end table.

Living room - buffet, table,  
serving table, six side  
chairs, two arm chairs,  
covered in blue Essex velvet  
same porch. I have an chair,  
willow, wing chair willow,  
one smaller chair "  
" stool "  
" a wood & tile table the  
furniture to be painted

13 April 1917

Dear Alice

I want to tell you  
how much I appreciate your  
kind note. You was a  
favourite of Helen's we  
often talked of you and  
regretted we could see  
you so seldom with a

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Heart full of love  
Cousin Rachel

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would be for the  
following Dec.

La Grange Kentucky

May 27<sup>th</sup> 1917

My dear Alice

I received your  
letter and intended answer-  
ing right away but I have  
not been feeling strong and  
have so much to do each  
day I could not write it  
is good you you to take  
so much trouble for me  
when the wool and labor  
are sold I have more money  
on hand I will get you  
to see if you can match  
a sample of the dress

Mary got the box from Parcel Post and was delighted to get the shirt and waist - it was what she needed, she asked me to thank you for her - She is a great help to me with the work we hear from Momie often she does not say anything about coming home - but I suppose will soon I do not need her and hope she will be benefited by her trip.

I have gotten me a coal oil stove I hope it will prove a help and lessen the expense Coal is so high it is 30<sup>cents</sup> a bushel

When are you coming up  
all are well

Yours for a Aunt  
E. B. Hanover

Another and we could  
have a very nice  
two mother school in  
to some of course as  
mother are with.  
the  
Virginia school  
having several lessons  
and here there is  
improving all the  
time. The school  
teaching from a  
of kind of teacher. Her  
and the rest of her

7-7-17

Dearest Auntie,

At last vacation is  
here and I have some  
spare time so I am  
writing to you.

Papa has been here  
making a visit. He left  
for Florida last Monday.  
He is looking very well  
but is dreadfully tired  
of living in Florida and  
says he wants to come

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north. I don't know what  
he could do here and I don't  
think that he does either.

Uncle Jerry and Aunt Ellen  
have been <sup>to</sup> saying with us  
all spring but Aunt Ellen left  
for Chataugua, New York to  
spend the summer last Sunday.

I think that we shall  
probably stay here and remain  
the rest of the year.

Raymond Jett, a cousin of  
Mama's is studying here to  
go in the Aviation Corps as  
a first lieutenant. He will  
have his examinations at  
the end of this month and  
then he wants to take us  
camping down on the Kentucky  
River. He has a younger -



for a lesson.

Love from,  
Marion.

P.S. If you happen to  
come north this summer  
hunting ancestors please  
don't forget to come  
and see the living members  
of your noble race.

weakest point and <sup>7 July 1917</sup> she  
is working on the head  
tones now.

I am taking French  
still and can now  
understand Mademoiselle  
perfectly besides talking  
and writing some. Recently  
I have been taking  
a few lessons in dancing  
as I can't dance very  
well.

Business has been un-  
usually good this  
summer as the town

is crowded with new cheeks,  
army and navy people, German  
ships, Foreign missions, inventors  
and everybody else in the  
world.

I got a letter from Eleanor  
this morning and she says  
that she is going to Fort  
Seavernuth soon. She and  
Aunt Christine seem to be  
devoting their time of Suffrage.  
I have gotten rather tired  
of hearing about it as the  
people here are forever  
discussing how many "pickets"  
have been arrested for waving  
their flags at a much  
persecuted president.

I will close now as I have  
to go to Mademoiselle's

Friday Aug 17, 1917.

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Dear Aunt Alice,  
We

got your letter this morning, and were glad to hear from you. The things you sent to mamma and pappa came the day we were going, but the candy did not. We are having a fine time. The mountains are beautiful. We are going to leave here Monday or Tuesday.

and then spend two  
weeks with our grand-  
mother. I hope your neck  
and back doesn't cramp  
you. With lots of love.

Your nephew  
Isaac.

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CHESTERFIELD COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

PHILIP V. COGBILL  
CLERK CIRCUIT COURT

CHESTERFIELD C. H. VA.

Sep. 19, 1917.

Miss Alice E. Trabue,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Miss Trabue:-

Replying to your letter,-

I do not find here a marriage bond for James Trabue and Jane Porter.  
A deed dated Nov., 1781, from James Trabue to Daniel Trabue of this County,  
describes James as "of the County of Kentucky".  
The name Porter is infrequent on our early records.

I have so little time to give to genealogies, I suggest that you communi-  
cate with Mr. E. Clayton Torrence, Valentine Museum, Richmond, Va., if you wish  
to spend a little money for an extended research. He has already many family  
trees.

Yours truly,

*Philip V. Cogbill*, Clerk.

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He has taken a great  
interest in her and  
given her several  
free lessons. I hope  
and pray that she  
will have success as  
it is costing a great  
deal to send her.

I think it is wonderful  
for a woman working alone  
like mama goes alone to  
make such sacrifices to  
give Virginia every advantage

Oct. 6, 1917.

Dearest auntie,  
I just received your  
letter and am so glad  
that you are coming  
to see us. I had been  
thinking that you  
considered me an incident  
in your path, not to  
be confused with your  
present plans.

The lovely silk

anyone except mama  
as far as I can hear.

She is crazy about  
Boston, the Conservatory,  
the teachers, the pupils  
and her roommate.

Mr Wemple, Virginia's  
teacher, told mama  
that there was nothing  
to keep Virginia from  
becoming a great singer  
if she would apply  
herself and work.

stockings came this  
morning. I am truly  
grateful for them because  
I needed some more than  
anything else at present.  
I am sending Virginia's  
to her this morning.

Has she ever written  
to you since she is at  
the Conservatory? ~~It~~ Very  
likely she hasn't as  
she hasn't written to

us as soon as it is  
convenient to you.

Much love from Mamma and me.  
Your devoted niece,  
Marian.

necessary to attain <sup>6 Oct 1917</sup>  
success.

I am very busy at  
school this year. I will  
finish my four year  
course in three years  
and a half. Besides this  
I am taking interpretive  
dancing, dramatic art and  
special swimming after  
school.

I have a French lesson  
every day with Mlle.



that we haven't lost  
several hundred dollars  
during the summer.

I am sorry that the  
cot you mentioned may  
be a reality but if you  
knew how much I  
wanted to see you  
my dearest little auntie  
you wouldn't mind that.  
Have a good time in  
New York and come to

from five until six o'clock  
and also speak French  
at dinner.

I understand everything  
now and can carry on an  
easy conversation in French.

The house is full and  
has been all summer  
owing to so many strangers  
here working for the  
~~war~~ war.

This is the first year

Punta Gorda Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 1914

Dear Alice:

Your letter received. I do not think Pa owned anything ~~etc~~ Rock castle. I went to Sumner, the county seat of Pulaski county to examine the title, and I remember there was some land in which Paul Shipman owned an interest and the other interests I think, were owned by Aunt Judell, getting it through Uncle Williams Trabel, and probably Uncle Isaac had an interest and Malus Misset. My recollection is very hazy and dim at this time. I think Aunt Judell paid my expenses to ~~Rock castle~~ <sup>Sumner</sup>.

The land has probably been sold for taxes long ago, but there may be a chance to get something for a quit-claim deed. If Uncle Isaac owned an interest we took it under his will. Generally those old claims cost as much as they are worth to realize on them. Business has been very dull here. My health is reasonably good. Write often.

Your devoted brother  
Stephen Trabel

give the talk. It is so grate-  
ful to her, that she has ask-  
ed a few of her <sup>(Evangelists)</sup> good friends  
to meet her at her the next  
day - I hope both occasions  
will be a great success.

You certainly are  
having a most interesting  
time seeing New York un-  
der the guidance of Mr. Drane  
Specter etc. I would like  
to fall in line, my visitors  
have meant a great deal  
more to me if I could have

22 Oct 1917

Sunday Morning

~~Dear~~ <sup>Dear</sup> Mr. Drane  
I feel very much  
dissatisfied when I realize  
how many days have passed  
and I have not written you.

Last week was full to my  
capacity with house cleaning  
in the second floor and  
trunk room all of which had  
to be personally conducted because  
of a new houseman (just arrived)  
and a new house cleaner - man

with my limited physical  
endurance you can imagine  
that I had little capacity for  
letter writing. Our new man,  
Mary's <sup>brother</sup> nephew promises me  
and two more days concentra-  
ted labor will see us through.  
I had a very pleas-  
ant call from Mrs. & Emily  
several days ago. I have not  
seen Mrs. France yet. When  
I called, I could not see  
either of them. Why we have

been not from able to receive the  
invitation to dinner as Edward  
has been out of town nearly every day  
the past week, and stays in Chicago  
and has in fact had the leaves again  
throughout morning - a part of the end  
of the week we can receive the invitation  
to dinner with us to the park,  
I should be getting ready for  
the first week of the absence  
on the 1st - the end - when with dinner

had  
Such a guide 22 Oct 1917

I am very much inter-  
ested in what you say  
of Virginia Leabue. Had  
she gone for voice culture,  
to Boston. Or for study  
of the drama. It is  
a tremendous venture.

Surely it would be a splen-  
did thing for Virginia if she  
could be thrown with Mrs. Watters.  
She could give her much  
valuable advice in an adroit  
way. I hope you will go to

Washington and got first also "Harriet" too found  
hand knowledge of Anne then in and we had a very  
And the children - I seem pleasant call, they were  
too sad that we can never very cordial as they always  
see them. are. Cousin Jennie seem-

I hope you will come and my cheerful and inter-  
home very much refreshed rested in every thing and  
and rested from your trip Every body. They both expressed  
You were certainly dangerous affectionately for you - are  
ly fatigued when you left hoping to meet you in  
- Later - 9 P.M. Washington - I must

This afternoon Edmund join Edmund for our weekly  
and I want to see Cousin read. So good bye for the  
Jennie and Ruth ~~Admiration~~ Present. Yr affectionately  
Cousin Jennie



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My dear Alice: Your nice  
letter came Saturday morning,  
and your charming young  
niece appeared at the matinee  
that very afternoon.  
Alice, she is just lovely —  
so pretty & so stylish, & such  
"a little way with her," &  
such a lovely speaking voice!

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jump out to Chicago for the rest  
of the year. My kind wishes  
thought in mind should all the  
time be before us next Chicago  
but will not mind to Chicago  
at all, as it has not a month  
in Boston & will like to have a  
visit in Philadelphia as well.  
Your nice boy Paul came to see  
Barbara & brought along a few  
of his toys. Paul is certainly an

for her to come around after the  
party, which she did and we had  
a very pleasant visit with her for  
about an hour. I believe the 5 Bar-  
bora planned to get into touch  
with each other this week's  
in the telephone at her convenience.  
We are joining to the bus only this  
one night most and then go to  
Philadelphia for three weeks. She

Barbara was in her dressing  
room getting dressed for the  
performance when the busi-  
ness manager came back-  
ing & said "Miss Milton,  
there is a Miss Trebo out  
in front who says she wants  
to see you." Well, if your  
letter had not arrived that  
morning we would have had  
no idea who it was, but  
as it was, B. sent word



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unusual

followed - friends of their own  
was one, & he will go for  
and high, mark my word.  
And yet he is so attractively  
bozjak and naive with  
it all. Please thank Louise  
for having such a nice

son.

I am so glad you are having  
such a lovely visit in New  
York. This is certainly the

time of the year to be there.  
I don't see why you can't  
stop over in Philadelphia  
& spend the day and  
night with us on your way  
to Alice du Pont. In fact  
that seems such a nice logical  
thing to do. Will you?  
Write to us  
Come-out. of the Ketchum's  
Broad Street Theatre  
Philadelphia as  
I do not know yet at what

Next ms will be. Or if you can't  
stay all night you could at least  
come on a nuttine day (Wednesday  
preferably) & spend the day. But  
do stop over - it will be such fun  
to host you.

Attachment  
Annex

Annex says "All Alice to please  
come to Philadelphia!"

125 Hemmway Street

13 Nov. 1917

Dearest little Auntie  
I am  
sitting up and  
writing this to  
you by some faint  
ray of a sputtering  
candle so please  
try to forgive  
me for all the  
troubles I have not.

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girls here in  
school are lovely  
and the few men  
I know very  
attractive.

My roommate is  
a concert pianist  
and a very intellectual  
girl. She has  
a peevish disposition  
and likes all the

windows open at  
night. Could the  
Lord send me more?

I have never heard  
"beaaaa" from Paul  
Van Arden. (I get lots  
of slang from the  
girls but my diction  
is improving wonderfully)  
I know several attract-  
ive Harvard men but  
they don't know him.  
Still it's a very large  
place.  
I think Barbara and  
her mother are arriving  
Soads of love, Auntie  
November 13, 1917 Virginia

The cards are  
being used up  
rapidly and I  
don't know  
what I should  
have done with  
- out them in  
this awfully proper  
through very friendly  
place. The

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New Orleans, La.,  
Dec. 31, 1917.

Dear Aunt Alice,

I was much pleased to get the tie and I will christen it the first time I play golf. I have enjoyed the holidays immensely, after going to several fraternity dances and the Les Ecoliers, the latter being a juvenile carnival organization consisting of the school girls from the ages of twelve to eighteen. Our grandmother spent Christmas with us and is going home in a few days.

If you will come down to see us this winter we will give you all the waffles you want. I hope that is an inducement

for you to come.  
Wishing you a Happy New Year,  
your nephew,  
Stephen Sabine

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