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My dear Mrs. Mason:

I saw in the Cattaraugus Republican notice of a meeting of the Cattaraugus County Grange to be held in Allegany, Feb. 27-28

A woman's reading course is now a part of the R. C. of Cornell University. It is the intention of those having it in charge to consider the questions which are to be met in the farm home. Our first lesson sent out is one on having Steps and Household Conveniences, copy of which is herewith enclosed. After reading it will you consider whether it would be practicable to introduce this subject at a special meeting of the women at the Grange and have as a feature of the program a discussion which will be helpful to the women and perhaps give them a special interest in the meeting of the Grange. At the same time we should hope to profit by the ideas advanced and to have from the women the benefit of their experiences. The next lesson which we shall send out will be on Home Sanitation. We are desirous of making this a most practical one and we can best do so by knowing from the women the problems they have to meet in their farm homes. Will you, if time permits, take up this subject also and let us know what you consider the leading difficulties and how in your opinion they should be met. The course is free and women of the state may have their names placed on the mailing list by sending the name and address to the Women's Reading Course, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. If you desire this lesson sent to women members of the Grange before the time of meeting we will do so or we can send you the number desired for distribution at the meeting.
Dear Mrs. Gormel:

Let me thank you for your cordial letter of the 14 inst. and assure you that the suggestions which you have made will be helpful to us. I am interested in the thought expressed in your letter regarding the necessity which you have of saving steps because of lack of strength. This must require a great deal of attention on your part and I judge that it is possible by careful thought to accomplish a great deal of work and at the same time have a regard for our physical frailties. Many a woman is doing work in this way and is really an object lesson to others because of the patience which they have in trying to accomplish the same amount of work with a less expenditure of nerve and physical force than many women who have an abundance of strength and who use it constantly as fast as it is gained.

Our next lesson will be upon the subject of "Sanitation." Your practical experience will perhaps lead you to think of some problems which come into the farm home and you may have been able to solve difficulties along this line. We want this lesson to be extremely practical. Should you feel like writing us on this subject it will be a help to us to know what you consider the vital points and suggestions in regard to prevention of trouble along these lines.

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you that we shall be pleased to hear from you at any time, I am

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Alta Gormel

Byersville, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. Bly:

Yours was the first letter to arrive after we had sent out the reading lesson for farmers' wives. I immediately recognized in the writer one whom I had met before and I want to assure you that your letter brought a great deal of encouragement. You are certainly doing a good work in organizing clubs for the use of the extension library. I have a great deal of confidence in the work which this library is doing in New York State. I congratulate you upon your success and thank you for your kind interest in the reading course for farmers' wives. I agree thoroughly with you in the fact that those who live in the country are more in need of these things than those in cities, even though they live in the slums.

Our next reading lesson is to be on "Home Sanitation." It will be a great help to us if we might hear from our friends what they deem the most practical problems in the home life so far as sanitation is concerned. We want to make the lesson very practical and if you will write us regarding this subject I assure you of our appreciation.

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. C. Bly

Sherman, N. Y.
My dear Miss Aspinwall:

I have your kind communication of the 15th and thank you for your kind words in regard to saving steps. I am very glad to send you, under separate cover, copies of the same and will appreciate your use of them. We want to make the work strictly practical. Our next lesson is to be upon "Home Sanitation." I wish you would write me a suggestion which can be used in a home. You are a practical woman and probably know the demands in this line. I do not wish to infringe upon your time, but if anything occurs to you I assure you it will be a help to us to know your ideas on the subject.

The books have arrived and I am very grateful to you for the same.

Very cordially

Is H. I. Aspinwall
Department of Public Instruction
Albany, N. Y.
Feb. 19, 1902

My dear Mrs. Tracy:

I am very much pleased to receive your letter inst., regarding the Woman’s Reading Course and are this you have no doubt received the first lesson. We shall be glad to hear from you at any time and shall value your suggestions.

Let me say that your question in regard to the Sunshine Club is answered in a recent number of the “Ladies’ Home Journal.” Mrs. Cynthia Westover Allen is President General; headquarters are at 96 Fifth Ave.; the motto is, “Good cheer,” and I will write Mrs. Allen and ask her to send you any information which she has to send out. I believe from what I have heard that the Society is a blessing to mankind.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. W. D. Tracy
Bradley Eck
446 Twelfth St.
Lakeville, Mich.
Feb. 19, 1901

My dear Mrs. Eck:

Let me thank you for your letter of the 15th inst., and for the list of names which you have sent for the reading course. While we are obliged to confine the work largely to New York State, it is so much in its infancy that we are going to send it for the present to those outside of the state who may desire it. There is so much evidence in your letter that you are interested in the matter that I thank you for writing and sending the names.

We are to take up for our next lesson the subject of "Home Sanitation," and hope to make it a practical lesson. Let me assure you that any suggestions which you can make will be of the utmost value to us, and I hope that you will write us on this subject.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Matie Bradley Eck
446 Twelfth St.
Toledo, Ohio

Varnum, N. Y.
Feb. 19, 1903

My dear Mrs. Williams:

Dear Mrs. Marsh:

I want to thank you for your recent letter of encouragement for the Woman’s Reading course and to assure you that letters like yours will be a help to us always, for it shows us that what we are trying to do awakens an interest on the part of the farmers’ wives.

Our next lesson is to be upon the subject of “Home Sanitation.”

You, no doubt, have thought upon this subject and can give us some practical ideas. If you have time, will you write and tell us what you consider the most important matters in this line which a housekeeper in a farm home has to meet. Of course you are a busy woman, but if anything occurs to you on this subject, we shall appreciate a letter from you.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Emma Williams

Mrs. E. J. Marsh

S. W. Oswego, N. Y.
Dear Mrs. Marsh:

Let me thank you for your letter of the 15th inst.

I enclose herewith a letter which explains it and let me say that were all farm homes as comfortable and as well equipped as yours, farm life would seem very different to women and mothers. I found that I would refer her question to would be an ideal place to live. This is certainly as it should be. I enclose herewith a lesson which we are sending out to farmers. Our next lesson is to be upon "Home Sanitation." I wish you would write us if anything occurs to you upon this subject, because you must have had practical experience. What do you consider the vital points which would affect a farm home and how ought they to be treated? All farm houses will not be supplied with plumbing, but there is a demand for cleanliness as exists in a city home. Pure water, pure air and pure soil should be obtained on the farm. How cannot we get the full benefit of these blessings in the country? Do not let me ask too much, but if you have time to write me upon this subject, I assure you of my hearty appreciation.

Very truly,

Mrs. Cynthia Westover Allen
96 Fifth Ave.
N. Y. City

S. W. Oswego, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. Allen:

I enclose herewith a letter which I want to thank you for your cordial letter of Feb. 29, 1901. I am glad that you have found the lesson on the Irish in Irish and am glad to hear from your letter that you have found the lesson on leaving steps. I have written Mrs. Tracy a few general facts in regard to your Society, but I have told her that I would refer her question to you, under separate cover, copies which you can send her if you have a few general facts in regard to every-day living which make you as you desire. Our object is to reach those whom they will help, and I thank you for your cooperation. I am sure that you are elevating thought and enjoyment to render those who shall be glad to hear from you at any time and the thought of it will be a great pleasure. Your suggestions in regard to the lessons which your suggestions were received by us.

Will you permit me to congratulate you upon a work which is so valuable to mankind and surely the thought of it is a nucleus for happiness and I have been greatly pleased to see it applied practically.

I have taken the liberty of placing your name upon the mailing list of our Reading Course for Farmers' Wives.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Cynthia Westover Allen
96 Fifth Ave.
N. Y. City
My dear Mrs. Tuttle Sniffen
Feb. 9, 1901

I want to thank you for your cordial letter of the 19th instant, and am glad that you have found in the lesson on "Saving Steps" matters of interest. I judge from your letter that you have given the matter a good deal of thought and that you have under separate cover, copies which you are at liberty to use; and I thank you for your co-operation. I assure you, too, that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time and will be benefited by all your suggestions.

Adorn the dining table and your habit of spending time each day in reading music and napping is one which I wish all women on farms might see the value of. I shall be very glad to hear from you at any time.

Warren, Pa.

Our next lesson will be on "Home Sanitation." I would really be pleased to hear from you in regard to this and to know what you consider the greatest problems which a house wife has in a farm home along these lines. We want the practical every day problems.

Thanking you for your interest, I am

Very sincerely

Mrs. L. D. Wetmore

Any time.

Cameron, N. Y.

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My dear Frs. Tuttle:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter of the 15th inst., and am glad that you have found in the lesson on "Saving Steps" matters of interest. I judge from your letter that you have given the matter a good deal of thought and that you have found out certain secrets in regard to every day living which make yourself and others happier. It is not the hard work but the monotony and the lack of elevating thought and enjoyment to render these duties pleasant. Your suggestion in regard to the flowers which adorn the dining table and your habit of spending time each day in reading music and napping is one which I wish all women on farms might see the value of. I shall be very glad to hear from you at any time.

Our next lesson will be on "Home Sanitation." I would really be pleased to hear from you in regard to this and to know what you consider the greatest problems which a housewife has in a farm home along these lines. We want the practical every day problems.

Thanking you for your interest, I am

Very sincerely,

Mrs. K. Tuttle

Cameron, N. Y.
Mr. W. M. Reynolds (Publisher)
South Otselic, N. Y.

My dear sir:

A copy of your excellent sheet has reached us in which you have given editorial notice of the Women's Reading Course, and to assure you that attention of this kind is greatly appreciated, in that we depend upon newspapers to bring our work to the notice of the public, and their families. It has proven a valuable means to that end, showing that the newspapers do go into the homes of the farmer's wife and have pleasure in placing your name upon the list.

We are glad of any interest on the part of our editorial friends. We are glad to copy our first lesson believing that it will be of some use in the experiment upon the part of the farmer's wife to reach her somewhat through the newspapers notice.

Appreciating the interest of our friends, we are anxious to have your list of names and your directions regarding this, hoping that we may be of some assistance in the future. We are glad to know what we are doing out to the farmers' wives, and have pleasure in placing your name upon the list.

Chairman, Women's Reading Course.

Feb. 19, 1901.

Miss Caroline S. Griffen
61 E. 22d St.

NY, N. Y. City.

We are glad of any interest on the part of our editorial friends and have pleasure in placing your name upon the list.

Chairman, Women's Reading Course.

Feb. 19, 1901.

Miss Louise Fernald
377 Broadway

South Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Fernald:

Send the names of any who you think will be interested. We want to make our list as large as possible. We are looking upon your part. We are hoping to receive your letter as one of the first. The idea of a lesson on 'Saving Steps' is sincerely hope that all that we anticipate in the good which it will be to the farmers' wives be thoroughly realized.

I had put you upon the mailing list but infer from your letter that you did not receive No. 1. I shall see that you have in the future.

Very cordially,

Chairman, Women's Reading Course.

Feb. 25, 1901.
Mr. W. M. Reynolds (Publisher)
South Otselic, N. Y.

My dear sir:

A copy of your excellent sheet has reached us in which you have given editorial notice of the Women's Reading Course. I want to thank you and to assure you that attention of this kind is greatly appreciated in that we depend upon newspapers to bring us in touch with the farmers and their families. It has proven a valuable means to that end, showing that the newspapers do go into the farm homes.

I am sending you a copy of our first lesson believing that you will be interested to know what we are sending out to the farmers' wives.

Appreciating your assistance, I am,

Very truly,

Feb. 25, 1901.

Miss Louise Fernald
27 Broadway
South Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Fernald:

Let me thank you for your kind words regarding the lesson on Saving Steps. I sincerely hope that all that was anticipated in the good which it will be to the farmers' wives be thoroughly realized.

I had put you upon the mailing list but infer from your feat that you did not receive No. 1. I shall see that you have in the future.

Very cordially,

Miss Louise Fernald
27 Broadway
South Boston, Mass.
Feb. 23, 1901.

Mrs. E. Kind
Levanna, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Kind:

Let me thank you for your kind letter expressing your satisfaction in the lesson on Saving Steps.

You have made a most valuable suggestion in the bringing up of children to wait upon their mothers. This not only makes the work of the mother easier but it is a blessing to the children later in life especially. The society called "Saving Steps for Homes" in an idea I am greatly interested in. I shall take the liberty to tell our friends regarding this, hoping that it may be a suggestion in the right place. So many times mothers in their ever-anxiety and unparalleled affection, feel that they must do everything for the children, whereas it were better for the children to learn to care for the parents.

Your suggestion regarding a Reading Course having a proscribed time is not without serious thought upon our part. We are hoping to do something and I shall save your letter as one of the first incentives to this work. Perhaps you will hear from me again in regard to it.

Send the names of any who you think will be interested in the Reading Course. We want to make our list as large as possible.

Very cordially,
Feb. 23, 1901.

Mrs. Celia A. Ferguson

My dear Mrs. Ferguson:

Your letter of encouragement to the question of saving steps is received and greatly appreciated. I am interested in your plan for open meetings and I can see that the benefit will be great. There are so many things that the women must move in order to secure desirable results. An organization of this kind must have a great influence upon a village. I have realized for some time that Lockport was highly favored in its women citizens and workers. I want to thank you for writing me of this plan which you are following in Lockport, and I believe that I shall take the opportunity to pass it on for the benefit of other localities. Your frequent letters of suggestion will be greatly appreciated and I thank you for the list of names for the Women's Reading Course. We are glad to get them.

Most cordially,
Feb. 23, 1901.

Mrs. Cellia A. Crosby
Wrightson, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Wrightson:

Let me thank you for your valued letter in response to the lesson on Saving Steps. You have had the broad experience which will be a help to us and your suggestions which will be of use to us, and which I shall hope to pass on to others. Your letter suggests so many everyday experiences, and in it I see how many have had the tendency throughout to rise above the circumstances which might have a somewhat depressing and discouraging effect. All this tends to encourage and to increase the happiness of those who learn how to overcome difficulties in order to thoroughly enjoy life and to find in it what we have in our hands as well look for and make part of our enjoyment. Experiences such as yours are helpful to us all and I thank you for sending them.

Yours very cordially,

Hoping to hear from you again, I am,

Very cordially,

Mr. Wrightson.

Let me thank you for your kind letter of appreciation in response to the lesson on Saving Steps. We are greatly aided by the encouragement which comes from the women who are doing such work to be practical and to meet the actual needs of the home where the men are doing the hard work of life from day to day.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially.

Be cursed.
My dear Mrs. Robinson:

Let me thank you for your kind letter in response to the lesson on Saving Steps. You have had the broad experience which will be a help to us and your letter containing the beautiful values of the work which you mentioned of securing helpfulness of your experience. I should like to see some of that practical and to read what you wrote the other evening in the letter you sent me.

Feb. 26, 1901.

Mrs. C. D. Robinson

West Newton, N. Y.

I am glad to receive those on bread making and I think you mentioned. You are most fortunate. I am interested in the information you give regarding your reading. It seems to me that the mind has so much influence over the body that we can mar our happiness or increase it as we will. The things we worry about are nearly always those of the future and so often they do not occur that it is a waste of time to worry about them.

Thanking you for your letter and hoping to hear from you again.

I am,

Mrs. P. S. Doby

Brushtown, N. Y.

Yours very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Doby:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of appreciation in response to the lesson on Saving Steps. We are greatly aided by the encouragement which comes from the women and such encouragement as is expressed in your letter. We want our work to be practical and to meet the actual needs of the home where the women are doing the heroic work of life from day to day.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially.
Let me thank you for your kind letter in response to the lesson on Saving Steps. You have had the broad experience which will be a help to us and your letter contains some valuable suggestions. I am glad to receive those on bread making and shall be glad to pass it on that others may have the benefit of your experience. I think I should like to eat some of that bread. The point too, which you mentioned of securing helpfulness on the part of the members of your family are interesting. Surely anything of this kind is a blessing to them as well as a help to the housekeeper. There isn't any doubt but that the women in the homes who especially the farm homes, have had the long experience in overcoming difficulties are the heroines of this earth, and to them it will surely be said, "well done". Economics Association is to be held at Cornell University in May. Very cordially,  

Feb. 23, 1901.

Miss Laura Morgan be present at the meeting and I shall send you a program. My dear Miss Morgan: say that I think you have a happy combination in Mrs. P. S. Doly's work. I am very glad to place your name upon the list of members of the Reading Course, and I hope that you will find it of practical value when you become familiar as a farmer's wife. You have before you a great work and one which will not only have the discouragement, but I am sure will afford you many pleasures in rural life in ideal in many ways. I hope that you will have the courage and the enthusiasm to be of practical value to you.

Thanking you, I am, Yours cordially,
My dear Mrs. Burton:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of appreciation in response to the lesson on Saving Steps. We are greatly aided by the encouragement which comes from the women and such encouragement as is expressed in your letter. We want our work to be practical and to meet the actual needs in the home where the women are doing the heroic work of life from day to day.

Thanking you, I am, very cordially;

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Feb. 23, 1901.

Mrs. Edward Roger
Le Roy, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Rogerson:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter and for the names of women whom we may add to our Reading Course list. I am pleased to note that you are interested in this subject. I am growing more and more convinced that it should find a place in the schools and I believe it will in time.

The State Household Economics Association is to be held at Cornell University in May. The fact is probably not published yet. I hope you can be present at the meeting and I shall send you a program when they are ready.

Permit me to say that I think you have a happy combination in your lines of work, for what is music without a home, and what is a home without music.

Very cordially,
I watched the plans for our East Aurora trip thinking there might be an opportunity to have you meet Mrs. Carstock. She said not, 1901.

Mrs. Anna, reach Buffalo about the 9:30 clock Friday night and I went early to attend a meeting of the council.

I am sure the Friends have missed more than they realize, being.

I hope you received the lesson on Saying Stamps.

Mrs. Carstock knows what I have told her and from what she has heard for the kind who does everybody good. - Won't you please let me send in some money, and if you have another train that you can play your part as right along.

and write often to keep up our spirits and lend aid to the cause. If you use this, I am sure it will take us up today.

We have, and as does this day a de-

votion to our daily work. But certainly, closely speak, while there.

The lesson appears in a way that I was surprised to see a copy of a large.

The lovely hour, and I am going to make the best of it.

That is not done for it before the going is over in a long time, and the sun is shining.

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me of what and so much pleasure in your letters.

Let's do something to do about things in the house.

if it would give us great satisfaction to have you bring.

before everything else. I'm not able and I will send you any samples.

I won't send the first sample, but after the drainage is gone to.

wrote a little more about a warm stand on the side board near 82.

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They hired man was unconscious to.

the expressions on the pit.

The dances to go on. I am not able to the teacher he is the builder. I taught a battle of knowledge on the side and the doctor on his opposite.

and the friends feel that they are dis-

volved. This would be a picture hard to put into black and white.

Last minute as initial letters, still and have none of now.
I watched the plans for our East Aurora trip thinking there might be an opportunity to have you meet Mrs. Comstock. She did not reach Buffalo until about 9 o'clock Friday night and I went early to attend a meeting of the council.

Dearest Mrs. Rice:

I am sure the Friends have missed more than they realize, though Mrs. Cooke knows from what I have told her and from what she has heard that you are the kind who do everything good. Won't you play your farmer's wife right along and write often to keep up our spirits and lend aid to the cause?

Most cordially,

[Signature]
Feb. 23, 1901.

Mrs. Gracia L. Rice,
Cassville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Rice:

I hope you received the lesson on Saving Steps and have profited thereby. I know you are interested in all these domestic subjects and when you make butter I trust that you will be thoughtful in this line. Our next lesson is on Home Sanitation, and it is nearly completed. I am taking it up first with a description of an old farm house surrounded closely with willow trees; the house covered with vines on a damp soil where only moss and myrtle will thrive. The rooms are low. The well at the side of the house receives much that is not good for it as the out buildings are higher and not far away. A brook which has received much sewage flows through the farm. We shall try to point out better conditions and shall repair this farm house, paying attention to dust dangers and various other things in the house.

Now I want you, if you will, to make me some stunts by way of illustration. You might make a picture showing an old well and the barn and the closet nearby, and showing the drainage of both toward the well. Then a woman stands on the side porch near the well throwing out dish water. The hired man has washed himself on the porch and throws out the contents of the basin. I suppose a battle of bacteria on one side and the doctor on the other, and when death claims its victim and the friends feel that they have a dispensation, this would be a picture hard to put into black and white. Some little stunts as initial letters, tail and head piece or bac-
teria climbing over the side of the page might not be out of place. Anything which you do in this line, the department will pay for, and if you are not too busy I would have a lot of pride and satisfaction in having you illustrate this lesson.

Dear Mr. Clining,

I have read your letter with much interest and find in it some very valuable suggestions on saving time. As you know, making the task not be a very irksome one, I notice that you are not always very wise. I have found that this is much more satisfying both in ease and in the appearance of the dishes.

Easy shoes too are absolutely necessary for the house of one who is constantly on her feet. We certainly are greatly to our advantage unless we are clothed in a way to avoid irritation. Some times some little fault in clothing will cause a continual discomfort which wears more than actual labor.

I shall find your suggestions for better making very helpful when that subject comes before us.

Thanking you for your kind letter and looking to hear from you again, I am

Very truly,

We are to consider in our next lesson the subject of Home sanitation.

Be should be very glad to know from you what you consider the leading problems in this line in a farm home. You can probably give us some vocational experience in overcoming difficulties.
February 20th, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Manning,

I am very glad to know you are planning for your inaugural.

I have read your letter with much interest and find

the Women's Reading Course into the woman. It is just what we want
in it some very valuable suggestions on Saving Stamps. As you wash
and we had discussed the question somewhat then your letter came giving
dishes the task need not be a very irksome one. I notice that you use
us the needed encouragement.

I have and sent you a dream coming
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and will send more if they are desired. I believe it would be well to make
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Very truly.

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problems in this line in a farm home. You can probably give us some

to remove difficulties in this way to be able to lend great
practical experience in overcoming difficulties.
February 20th, 1931.

My dear Mrs. X,

I am very glad to know of your plan for introducing the Women's Reading Course into the orange. It is just what we want and I am sure it will help us in stating difficulties and overcoming them.

We will need encouragement. I have had a dozen copies and will send more if you desire. I think it would be well to make this a feature of the program either considered by the women in a session by themselves or in the general meeting as you may think best.

A most interesting discussion might be on Saving Steps in which the women would be a great assistance to each other and if they would report to us their suggestions it would add great interest to our work and make it of greater service to our readers in general.

Our next lesson will be on Home Sanitation. We shall aim to meet conditions in a farm home and we want to make the lesson very practical. We shall touch upon such subjects as pure air, pure soil and pure water supply for the home, how to dispose of refuse, care of the road, fence, flower and vegetables. These are problems which we have not easy to reach on the farm. We shall be greatly pleased if the women of your town will discuss these subjects and report to us what problems there is and the most important things to consider and the best way to remove difficulties. In this way you will be able to lend great practical help.

Very sincerely yours,

[Name]
Feb. 27, 1901

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My dear Mrs. v. letter:

Let me thank you for your kind letter in regard to assistance to our work. I want to thank you for your encouraging letter regarding the Reading Course, and I hope you will find it of some real benefit. Should you know of any farmers' wives who would like to take this course, kindly send the names or ask them to send their names and addresses. Our next topic will be on home sanitation. If anything special occurs to you which you would like to have treated in this number, kindly write me stating difficulties you have encountered in home sanitation, and how you have overcome them or are trying to overcome them.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

We shall always be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

The subject of "Saving Steps". I cannot help but notice the interest and cheerfulness which you have in your work, and the faithful attendance to duties, such as you have shown in your letter, is an inspiration to all women. You could of course make this particular work of picking over beans a drudgery, but while the beans would be picked over just the same, you would have lost much happiness were you not to enjoy it. Your name appears upon the list for the Women's Reading Course.

We want to make this a great deal of good. I hope you will be recovered sufficiently to resume labors.

East Chatham, N. Y.

The diats which you grown so incident it is a great saving.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

The course is free and several very useful lessons published during the year. Probably not as cita. as worthly.

We are very grateful to you for your accomplishment. You are such a practical and successful housekeeper. Very truly;

Very cordially,
My dear Mrs. Kellogg:

I had already placed your name upon the list for the Reading Course because I knew you would be interested in it. We want to make the course practical and all suggestions to this end will be gladly considered. In reply to your letter let me say that your name has been placed upon the list for the Women's Reading Course. The lessons are free and several will be published during the year. Probably not as often as monthly.

I should be very grateful to you for your suggestions. You are such a practical and successful housekeeper that anything you will suggest will be valuable. The course is free to all women of this state who are interested.

Very truly,

Feb. 27, 1901.

Mrs. R. D. Kellogg
South Dayton, N. Y.
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Mrs. H. S. House
Mt. Pleasant, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. House:

My dear Mrs. Rice:

Let me thank you for your kind letter in regard to "Saving Steps." The question of securing help is one which troubles many housekeepers both at the farm and in larger places. Certainly those who are fortunate who are able to do their own work. Good health and plenty of strength are so much better than to try to keep up with all the work which we would like to do and which can be excluded. If we only knew how, and I thank you for the suggestion to this effect contained in your letter.

Very truly,

Let me say that your suggestion regarding your habit of being out of doors is, in my estimation, very valuable. You have learned a secret which I wish the neighbors you refer to could also have.

Thanking you for your letter, I am, Feb. 27, 1901.

Very cordially,

Mrs. R. D. Kellogg
South Dayton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Kellogg:

I had already placed your name upon the list for the Reading Course because I knew you would be interested in it. Should you know of any others I would be pleased to have you send the names and we will place them upon the list. We want to make the course practical, and all suggestions to this end will be gladly received.

Our next lesson will be on home sanitation. If any points occur to you which you think wise to be considered in this lesson, I shall be very grateful to you for suggestions. You are such a practical and successful housekeeper that I am sure anything you will suggest will be valuable. The course is free to all women of this state who are interested.

Very cordially,

Feb. 27, 1901.
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Mrs. Julia Stone
Fulkner, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Stone:

I want to thank you for your letter showing an interest in the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions which you have made. I trust that you will find the Reading Course practical, and derive from it some benefit.

We shall always be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

Feb. 27, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

I want to thank you for your letter showing an interest in the Women's Reading Course. Should you know of others who could be interested in this work, we shall consider it a favor if you arrange to give them addresses or have them send them. Our course is planned especially for the women of this state, we have not yet been able to reach the other sections, and we are glad to hear from you. We shall be glad to have those who derive benefit from it. As long as this is the case we shall be glad to have you and the Reading Course free and have placed your name upon the reading list. Hoping that you will find it of practical benefit, I am,

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Very cordially.
Feb. 27, 1901.

Mrs. Mary Bushnell
Newark Valley, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bushnell:

Thanking you for your letter in regard to housekeeping lessons on "Saving Steps," I am much interested in the effort you are making to manage the farm. It is a noble effort and I am sure you will be successful. I am taking the liberty to place your name upon the list of the Farmers' Reading Course, believing that you will find it much that will interest you. I appreciate the fact that you find time to entertain company and visit friends together with all your other work. This will make you fresher and happier and prevent the hard work becoming drudgery; the changes which she would desire.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and appreciate what you say in regard to this subject.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Alice Mitchell
Clinton, Mich.

My dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Let me thank you for your kind letter regarding the Reading Course. Should you know of others who would be interested in these lessons we shall consider it a favor if you will send their names and addresses or have them send them. Our next lesson is on home sanitation. Should you have anything to say especially for the women of this state, we have not yet been obliged to refuse to admit those from other states. As long as this is the case we shall be glad to send you the Reading Course free and have placed your name upon the reading list. Hoping that you will find it of practical benefit, I am,

Very cordially,
Feb. 27, 1901.

Mrs. Don N. Booth
Van Etten, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Booth:

Thanking you for your letter in regard to house
wife steps, let me suggest that while there are many difficulties
in the way of saving steps in a farm home, nevertheless, if one
keeps her mind upon the subject, it is possible to do less some-
times and save strength. It is absolutely necessary that a woman
conserves her strength or her own comfort and the good of her fam-
ily. I think by watching this you will find little things about
the house which can be remedied. I realize, however, that many
houses are not conveniently arranged, and a home keeper is not able
to make the changes which she would desire.

We should be very glad to hear from you at any time, and appre-
ciate what you say in regard to this subject.

Very cordially,

Mrs. John H. McCluer
Franklinville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. McCluer:

Let me thank you for your kind letter re-
garding the Reading Course. Should you know of others who would
be interested in these lessons we shall consider it a favor if you
will send their names and addresses or have them send them. Our
next lesson is on home sanitation. Should you have anything to
suggest regarding this lesson we shall be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,
Feb. 27, 1901.

Mr. Walter Van Rensselaer Uetherwood, N. Y.

My dear sir:

Your name has been placed upon the Reading Course list as per your request. Prof. Craig wished me to say that when you come to know the plan of the work you will probably prefer to begin with the first lesson. It has seemed most desirable to arrange that all readers should take the lessons in their order. However, should there be special numbers which you wish to consult immediately, he will be glad to send them to you. I have taken the liberty to place your name upon the list for the woman's Reading Course.

You will not be surprised that I am wondering to what part of the family you belong as you and I have the same name. My great-grandfather was Henry K. Van Rensselaer of the Revolutionary War. I am very glad that I have had the liberty of answering your letter, as I recognize in you a kinsman.

Very truly,

[Signature]

Verycordially,

[Signature]
Feb. 27, 1901.

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Very truly,

[Signature]

Feb. 27, 1901.

Mrs. Walter Van Rensselaer

[Signature]
Feb. 23, 1901.

Mrs. Dexter White,
Batavia, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. White:

I want to thank you for your letter of recent date regarding the letter on Saving Steps, and for the suggestions which your letter contains on that line. It is so often that your kind suggestion regarding Saving Steps. Our next lesson and probably give more thought to our trips from home to home in one session, and should there be any points which difficult to save labor. However, we have to make the most of these conditions, and probably give more thought to our trips from home to home to make them count as much as possible. Our next recent date regarding the lesson on Saving Steps and for the suggestions made in your letter. Some seem to prefer the oil cloth cover to the table. My only objection to it has been an account to hear from you. Should there be others whose names you would of the effect of hot dishes on it. Your little wooden mats are a like to send in, we will be glad to place them upon our list.

I think you are entirely right in regard to the state of our mind having an influence over us and making our work either pleasant or like drudgery. You strike the key note when you say to take only one day's burdens. Our imaginary troubles of the future probably never arrive and if they do we can manage them.

Feb. 28, 1901.

Mrs. H. A. J. Wickham in houses which are not convenient that it is Middletown, N. Y. sanitation, and should there be any points which difficult to save labor. However, we have to make the most of these conditions, and probably give more thought to our trips from home to home to make them count as much as possible. Our next lesson in Home sanitation. Should you think of anything which you would like to have treated under this subject we shall be glad to hear from you.

I am not shocked when you suggest joining a women's club. I thoroughly agree with you. We need the social intercourse and the literary stimuli, and it ought to make us interested in the welfare of other women. Your letter is a great help to us and I thank you for it.

Very cordially,

Mrs. A. E. P. Wickham.
Mrs. Dexter White
Rath, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. White :
Onondaga, N. Y.

I want to thank you for your letter of recent date regarding the Leaflet on Saving Steps, and for the suggestions which your letter contains along that line. It is so often that your kind expression regarding saving Steps. Our next lesson women do their work in houses which are not convenient that it will be upon Home Sanitation, and should there be any points which difficult to save labor. However, we have to make the most of you would like to consider, we shall be glad to hear from you. these conditions, and probably give more thought to our trips from Should you know of any women who would like to receive these room to room to make them count as much as possible. Our next lessons, we shall esteem it a favor if you will send their names lesson is on Home sanitation. Should you think of anything which and addresses or have them do so, you would like to have treated under this subject we shall be glad to hear from you. Should there be others whose names you would like to send in, we will be glad to place them upon our list.

Hoping to hear from you at any time, I am,

Very cordially,

Feb. 28, 1901.

Miss Ada Ham
Fillmore, N. Y.

My dear Miss Ham :
Mrs. E. P. Boyle
Onondaga, N. Y. Let me thank you for your recent letter and for the list of names for the Women's Reading Course. Our next lesson will be upon Home Sanitation. We shall have everything to do with the Household of Sanitation. The lessons are two to the week for the Women's Reading Course. Such means as these are valuable to us, as we want to reach as many farmers' wives as possible. We shall esteem it a favor if you will send their names and addresses. Should you know of any one who would like to receive the lessons we shall esteem it a favor to have you send the names.

Very cordially,

Feb. 28, 1901.
Feb. 28, 1901.

Mrs. D. R. Pease
Trumansburg, N. Y.

Miss Ada Ham
Fillmore, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Pease:

Let me thank you for your recent letter and for your kind expression regarding the Saving Steps. Our next lesson will be upon Home Sanitation, and should there be any points which you would like to consider, we shall be glad to hear from you.

Should you know of any women who would like to receive these lessons, we shall esteem it a favor if you will send their names and addresses or have them do so.

Miss Ada Ham
Fillmore, N. Y.

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Very cordially,

Miss Ada Ham
Fillmore, N. Y.
Feb. 28, 1901.

Mrs. Susan N. Sackett
Miss A. Schiltz Y.

My dear Mrs. Sackett:

I thank you for your recent letter and any kind expressions you have made in regard to the lesson in Savings. The next lesson will be upon Home Sanitation, and should there be any points which you would like to consider, we shall be glad to hear from you.

Should you know of any woman who would like to receive these lessons, we shall esteem it a favor if you will send their names and addresses, or have them do so that sort of work. We shall be glad to hear from you, and if there are names which you would like to have added to the list, kindly send them to us. We want to reach as many farmers' wives as possible who will be interested.

Very cordially,

Feb. 28, 1901.

Mrs. Joseph Gilbert
Medford Station, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gilbert:

I have placed your name upon the list for the Women's Reading Course. We shall have another lesson soon on Home Sanitation. The lessons are free to the women of the state.

My dear Mrs. Hall:

We shall have another lesson soon on Home Sanitation. The lessons are free to the women of the state. Should you know of any who would like to receive the lessons, we shall esteem it a favor if you would send the names. Very cordially.

Feb. 28, 1901.
Mrs. Susan M. Sackett
Silver Creek, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sackett :

You want to thank you for your recent letter in regard to the lesson on Saving Steps and for the suggestions which you have made. The one in regard to the use of soft water is good, and I shall be glad to use that point later in some of our publications.

You are certainly right in thinking that we might better go without some luxuries and hire work done for which we are not strong enough. It is a clean gain not to attempt that sort of work all that which it would be well to have added to the list. Kindly send them to us. We want to reach as many farmers' wives as possible who will be interested.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Robert A. Hall
Monticello, N. Y.

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Very cordially,

May 1, 1903.
Mrs. Mary Ward,
East Rush, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Ward:

I want to thank you for your letter and am sending my compliments.

Your letter contains some very valuable suggestions. The first sentence is as true as can be. I had not thought before in regard to the habit of complaining being induced by the habit of self pity. I think you were right. The rules which you suggest are excellent. I shall be pleased to use your letter format.

Our next lesson is on Home Sanitation. Should you think of anything which it would be well to treat in that lesson, we shall be glad to hear from you and if there are names which you would like to have added to the list, kindly send them to us. We want to reach as many farmers' wives as possible who are interested.

Very cordially,

Mar. 1, 1901.

C. C. Roosa, M. D.
718 Main St.
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Doctor Roosa:

I am very glad to place your name upon the list of readers for the Women's Reading Course and the list of names for the Women's Sanitation Course. Our next lesson is on Home Sanitation. It is extremely practical and to meet the conditions of the state as a whole, they certainly have problems which are not found in the city homes.

Mar. 1, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Steel:

I want to thank you for your excellent letter in regard to Saving Steps. The suggestions are good ones and will be a help to us in our work with the women of the state. Our next lesson is on Home Sanitation. Should you think of anything which it would be well to treat in that lesson, we shall be glad to hear from you, and if there are names which you would like to have added to the list, kindly send them to us.

Very cordially,

Mar. 1, 1901.

Mrs. Jennie B. Steel
Potsdam, N. Y.
Fry. 0. 1. Rich Mar. 1, 1901.

Richmond Ave.,

195 Richmond Ave.,

Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. K. Tuttle

Cameron, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Tuttle:

I want to thank you for your letter and am sending you copies for the Home Sanitation program for next year as a gift for your name and address of these women are near my own. You have addressed your letter correctly.

Very cordially,

Fry. 0. 1. Rich Mar. 1, 1901.

C. C. Reese, M. D.

716 Main St.,

Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. K. Tuttle.

Dear Doctor Reese:

I am very glad to place your name upon the list of readers for the Women's Reading Course and they will be sent to you as often as issued. Our next lesson is on Home Sanitation. We want to make this extremely practical and to meet the conditions in a farm home where they certainly have problems which are not found in the city homes. As a physician, perhaps you can make some suggestions for us. We shall greatly appreciate them.

Very cordially,

C. C. Reese, M. D.
Mrs. O. C. Rich
196 Richmond Ave.
&ear Mrs. Armstrong:

My dear Mrs. Rich:

I want to thank you for your letter and am sending you copies for the members of your club. I am very glad to have the privilege of doing so. The suggestion regarding the program for next year is a good one and I will think it over and write you if I am able to formulate a plan. I am also very glad to have you send the names of farmers' wives. It pleased me the more because some of these women are near my own home.

Thanking you for your kind cooperation, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. F. Morgan
Franklinville, N. Y.

March 1, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Morgan:

Mrs. Phama Moon
Jamestown, N. Y.

I take pleasure in placing your name upon the list for the Women's Reading Course. I am much interested in your comments upon the reading of women and note the names for the Women's Reading Course. This is a great help to us and it has our appreciation. We are anxious to reach as many of the farmers' wives as possible and to make the work of practical benefit to them.

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Thanking you for your kind cooperation, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. F. Morgan
Franklinville, N. Y.
I have taken pleasure in placing your name on the list for the Reading Course for women and hope that you will find the lessons of practical value.

I note that you are interested in gardening and I will say that we intend to take up that subject during the first year. Any suggestions which you can make at any time regarding the work of the course we shall be glad to hear. If you are interested in the subject of gardening, no doubt you can give us something helpful.

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. F. Morgan
Franklinville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Morgan:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon the list of readers for the Women's Reading Course. I am much interested in your comments regarding the reading of women and note that you appreciate the use of the spare minutes, though they may not be many at a time. We often do not read because we are waiting for an hour or two, when if we would use the few minutes that are often thrown away we would be able to put books away upon the shelves as a part of our life experience. I assure you we shall be glad to hear from you at any time regarding the topics which are discussed and anything which interests you in the home department.

Thanking you, I am very cordially,

Mrs. H. F. Morgan
Franklinville, N. Y.
Miss Lida M. Harrison
North Windfield, N. Y.

My dear Miss Harrison:

Let me thank you for your letter regarding the lesson on Saving Steps and for the valuable suggestions which the Women's Reading Course has contained. I am pleased to note that you are interested in these suggestions, which you have made, particularly those which have been made along this and other lines. It is of great value to us to know what you wish to send us and that you have not only done that but furnished some excellent ideas. I am pleased to note that your work is not drudgery, but that you see a great deal of the beautiful and most desirable in life and that you are constantly developing along literary and artistic lines.

I hope you will let us hear from you often.

Very cordially,

Mar. 4, 1901.

Mrs. Althia M. Grems
Natural Bridge, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Grems:

I want to thank you for your letter of appreciation for the lesson on Saving Steps and for the valuable suggestions which you have made along this and other lines. There are points in your letter which will be a help to us and to the women who are taking the course. The letter will be used at some time as an inspiration to others. I hope they may help you and be of some benefit.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

Mar. 4, 1901.
Mar. 7, 1901.

Mrs. M. O. Budlong
West Schuyler, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Budlong:

Dear Miss Budlong:

Let me thank you for your letter regarding the lesson on Saving Shes and for the valuable suggestions which the Women's Reading Course and for the interest which you have taken in the lesson contains. I am pleased to note that you are interested in it. You have made some good suggestions in your letter which will be of value to us. We certainly are somewhat hindered in doing subject before the year is over, in our lessons.

The things which we desire because of a lack of opportunity, but if we use the advantages which we have and make the best of them, we shall be glad to hear from you at any time and should you wish to send any names of other women to be enrolled, we shall consider it a favor.

Very cordially,

Mrs. William L. Dunlop

Mar. 7, 1901.

Mr. Eugene T. Lyons
20 South Hampton St.,
Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear sir:

I was pleased to receive your card regarding the Women's Reading Course. I have sent you, under separate cover, copies of the first lesson together with cards upon which may be written addresses of women who would like to become members of the course. I assure you it will be interesting to us to know whether you are able to use these lessons in your work. I hope they may help you and be of some practical benefit.

Very cordially,

Mrs. William L. Dunlop
Mar. 4, 1901.

Mrs. Fred D. Schnitz
Conewango, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Schnitz:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon the list of those interested in the Women's Reading Course. We will send as many copies of the lessons as you desire, either to one address or to the women whose addresses you send us. I hope you will be able to use them in the clubs and if we can assist you in any way, be kind enough to write us.

Several clubs have taken up the first lesson for discussion. I will send you a circular letter which I send out to some of the clubs in the state. It may suggest some plan to you.

Very cordially,

Mar. 4, 1901.

Mrs. Geo. E. McLaugh

My dear Mrs. McLaugh:

I was very glad to receive your card regarding the Women's Reading Course. We will send as many copies of the lessons as you desire, either to one address or to the women whose addresses you send us. I hope you will be able to use them in the clubs and if we can assist you in any way, be kind enough to write us.

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Very cordially,
Mar. 4, 1901.

Mrs. M. V. Shailer
No. 116 Summit Place
Newark, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Shailer:

I want to assure you of our appreciation of
the interest you have taken in the Women's Reading Course. In reply to your letter, let me say that I assure you of our appreciation of the interest you have taken in the Women's Reading Course.

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We have formulated a plan by which we can assist the mother's clubs in taking up this first lesson on Saving Steps, and have reported an interest in the subject. I am sending you a copy of the circular letter sent to clubs of the federation. Possibly we will suggest something of interest to you. Any names which you wish to send in accord with the rest of the work within the territory of the club member of your club will send to us as those of women who are interested in the Reading Course, we shall be pleased to place on the mailing list, and shall appreciate their assistance in securing members for the Reading Course. If certainly will be glad to know whether you have been able to find any help in the use of these lessons in the mother's club, and will be glad to help you at any time we can.

Should you be able to send the circular letter, we would be interested in this course. I assure you it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and to reach as many as possible.

Mrs. J. T. Murdock
Oro, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Murdock:

Mrs. Alva Gorman
Byersville, N. Y.

I take pleasure in placing your name upon the list of the Women's Reading Course and hope that you will find the lessons of practical benefit. I assure you we shall be very glad if you will send us the names of women who would be interested in the Reading Course. This is the kind of help which we are anxious to get, and will appreciate anything which you will do in this line.

Very cordially,

Mar. 4, 1901.

Very cordially,
Mrs. L. C. Merritt
391 High St.
Lockport, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Merritt:

I want to assure you of our appreciation of the interest you have taken in the Women's Reading Course. Several mother's clubs have taken up this first lesson on Saving Steps and have reported an interest in the subject. I am sending you a copy of the circular letter sent to clubs of the federation. Possibly it will suggest something of interest to you. Any names which the members of your club will send to us as those of women who are interested in the Reading Course, we shall be pleased to place on the mailing list, and shall appreciate their assistance in securing members for the Reading Course. I certainly will be glad to know whether you have been able to find any help in the use of these lessons in the mother's club, and if we can help you at any time we it will be a great pleasure.

Should you be able to send some who would be interested in this course, I assure you it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and to reach as many of the farmers' wives and other women interested in the state. I take pleasure in placing your name upon the mailing list.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Alta Gormall
Byersville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gormall:

Our next lesson will I want to thank you for your letter and for the valuable suggestions which it contains. It is very suggestive along various lines and I assure you it will be a help to us. Should you wish to send names of other women who would be interested in this course, we shall appreciate it.

Very cordially,
Mar. 4, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Walker:

Let me thank you for your recent letter regarding the lesson on Saving Steps and for the practical suggestions which it contains. I note that your time is well filled with the routine of house work, but you seem to know how to make this work fruitful, and helpful in promoting the welfare of other women. I thank you for writing as you have.

Let me thank you for your kind letter in regard to the lesson on Saving Steps and for the valuable suggestions which it contains. I am glad if you have found the lesson practical and helpful.

The question which you ask regarding the bringing up of children to take care of their things is an interesting one, and I shall quote from your letter in a future lesson so as to bring out discussion on that point. You will notice in our last lesson that we used letters in this way.

Should you be able to send us names of women who would be interested in this course, I assure you it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and to reach as many of the farmers' wives and other women interested as possible in the state.

I take pleasure in placing your name upon the list of readers, and I am wondering whether you use a word processor or if you write by hand. I have received the first number that we published on Saving Steps.

Our next lesson will be on Home Sanitation. Should you be able to send us names of women who would be interested in this course I assure you it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and reach as many of the farmers' wives and other women interested as possible in the state.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mar. 4, 1901.

Mrs. Robert F. Walker
My Rome, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Walker:

Let me thank you for your recent letter regarding the lesson on Saving Steps and for the practical suggestions which it contains. I note that your time is well filled with the routine of house work, but you seem to know how to make this work far from drudgery, in that you appreciate the society of other people and are a reader. I shall be able to use the points in your letter in helping other women, and I thank you for writing as you have.

Should you wish to send names of women who would be interested in the Reading Course, we shall appreciate it.

Very cordially,

Mrs. James Burger
New Hudson, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Burger:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon the list of readers for the farmers' wives Reading Course and you will soon receive the first number that we published on Saving Steps.

Our next lesson will be on Home Sanitation. Should you be able to send us names of women who would be interested in this course I am sure it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and reach as many of the farmers' wives and other women interested as possible in the state.

Very cordially,

Mrs. C. E. Hamlin
Maple, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Hamlin:

I have subject of saving steps and for the suggestions which it contains. I note that your cupboard will not admit a fly. list of readers for the farmers' wives Reading Course and you will soon receive the first number that we published on Saving Steps.

Our next lesson will be on Home Sanitation. Should you be able to send us names of women who would be interested in this course I am sure it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and reach as many of the farmers' wives and other women interested as possible in the state.

Very cordially,

Yours cordially,
Mar. 4, 1901.

Mrs. Chas. Burgess,
Jame Phelps, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Burgess:

Let me thank you for your recent letter regarding the lesson on Saving Steps and for the valuable suggestions which it contains. It seems to me that you have the secret of happy living, in that you bring to your labor, which of course is arduous, the inspiration gained from the society of others, through valuable work and service in a good cause.

Should you be able to send us names of women who would be interested in this course, I assure you it will be greatly appreciated by us. We desire to make the course practical and to reach as many of the farmers' wives and other women interested as possible throughout the state. We are therefore very appreciative of press notices as they are probably the only way of bringing such matters before the community.

Mrs. James Burger
New Hudson, N. Y.

Let me thank you for your interesting letter regarding the subject of saving steps and for the suggestions which it contains. I note that your cupboard will not admit a fly. That is most desirable and I am wondering whether you use a wire screen so as to secure ventilation.

I may want to quote some from your letter in regard to the use of dry wood. It is an excellent suggestion and one which I had not thought of. Should you wish to send names for the Women's Reading Course, we shall greatly appreciate it, as we want to reach as many women who will be interested as possible.

Yours cordially,

Mar. 4, 1901.
Mar. 4, 1907.

[Signature]

Editor of Southtown Journal
Jamestown, N. Y.

My dear sir:

Publishers of "American Gardening"
136 Liberty St.;
New York City.

My dear sir: Will you please send 12 copies with a bill for the same. I have read with interest the notice which you have given the Women's Reading Course of the Cornell University Extension department, and wish to thank you for it. The Farmers' Reading Course has a large membership and is attended with a large amount of interest on the part of the farmers of the state. The Women's Reading Course is a parallel course for farmers' wives and we are anxious to extend the membership as largely as possible throughout this state. We are therefore very appreciative of press notices as they are probably the best means of bringing such matters before a wide audience. A couple of weeks you have had an article which is intend a recent letter on the course of Reading lessons.

I enclose herewith, our first lesson and shall take pleasure in putting you upon the mailing list. Our next lesson, soon to be sent out, is on Home Sanitation.

Thanking you cordially,

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Mar. 6, 1907.

[Partial text]

Dear Sir,

I am very pleased to place your name and these words upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, which is intended for women of the state of New York and assure you of our appreciation of the space in your journal. I shall be glad to see this method of reaching women, and assure you of our appreciation of the space you have given it. I am very pleased to place your name and these words upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, which is intended for women of the state of New York and assure you of our appreciation of the space in your journal. I shall be glad to see this method of reaching women, and assure you of our appreciation of the space you have given it. I am very pleased to place your name and these words upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, which is intended for women of the state of New York and assure you of our appreciation of the space in your journal. I shall be glad to see this method of reaching women, and assure you of our appreciation of the space you have given it. I am very pleased to place your name and these words upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, which is intended for women of the state of New York and assure you of our appreciation of the space in your journal. I shall be glad to see this method of reaching women, and assure you of our appreciation of the space you have given it.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
In a recent issue of the Journal you had an article on the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University. I think it was in last week's paper. Will you please send 12 copies with a bill for the same.

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Thanking you, I am,

Very truly,

Mrs. J. O. Lats
Editors of Buffalo Express
Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Sirs:

Let me thank you for your letter and valuable suggestions. Within a couple of weeks you have had an article which I referred to in a recent letter on the course of Reading Lessons, issued by Cornell. The article was headed "For Farmers' Wives." I would be glad to send you 20 copies with bill for the same.

Very truly,

Mrs. R. O. Brown
Mar. 6, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

I am very glad to place your name and those of the members of your club upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. Hoping that we may be able to make the lessons of practical value to your club, I send your name upon the mailing list. We are very glad to receive names from out of the state while the list is not so great but that we can send to all.

I am,

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Florence E. Taylor
Mar. 6, 1901.

Editors of Jamestown Journal
Jamestown, N. Y.

My dear Sirs:

I am very glad to place your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. Hoping that we may be able to make the lessons of practical value to your club, I send your name upon the mailing list. We are very glad to receive names from out of the state while the list is not so great but that we can send to all.

I am,

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.
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Mrs. Julia L. Childs
Gasport, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Childs:

I am very glad to place your name and that of Mrs. Wilson upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. I hope that you will find the lessons of practical benefit, and we shall be very glad to receive names of women who you think will be interested.

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. J. G. Lutz
Leavenworth, Ind.

My dear Mrs. Lutz:

I trust that you will be glad to hear from us at any time, and assure you of our appreciation of the valuable suggestions in regard to the subject of Saving Steps. You certainly have secured favorable conditions for doing house work, and the point suggested in your letter will be a help in our department and to women who are in the Reading Course.

I like the motto which you have given, "Think twice and step once." Your idea that house work is being lightened more than in the past I am glad to believe.

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Martha Waters
Lakeport, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Waters:

I shall be glad to use this work basket, given for the benefit of other women, and assure you of our appreciation of the description which you have favored us with.

I am very glad to place your name and those which you send upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. Hoping that we may be able to make the lessons of practical value and assure you that we shall be very glad to receive communications in this course we shall be very glad to receive them at any time, I am,

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Florence L. Taylor
Lawton Station, Ind.

My dear Mrs. Taylor:

I shall be glad to use this work basket, very unique and would serve the purpose intended most satisfactorily. The drawing and description given one which you send upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. Hoping that we may be able to make the lessons of practical value and assure you that we shall be very glad to receive communications in this course we shall be very glad to receive them at any time, I am,

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Julia L. Childs
Gasport, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. McClure:

I am very glad to place your name and that of Mrs. Wilson upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. I hope that you will find the lessons of practical benefit, and we shall be very glad to receive names of women who you think will be interested.

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.
March 6, 1901

Mrs. John H. McClure
Franklinville, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. McClure:

Your letter suggests many things of value to us in our work and I think you have suggested an idea which I have felt while preparing the Leaflet on Sanitation, that the men can do a great deal toward securing right conditions. However, women can do much toward keeping these things right. I want to thank you for the interest which you have shown and for the names sent. We are very glad to get names of women who will be interested in the course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Martha Waters
Hamlet, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Waters:

Let me thank you for your pleasant letter in regard to the Lesson on Saving Steps and for the valuable suggestion which it contains.

Your idea that house work is being lightened more than in the past I am glad to believe is true.

The work basket is very unique and would serve the purpose intended most satisfactorily. The drawing and description given one is a very good idea in regard to it. I shall be glad to use this for the benefit of other women, and assure you of our appreciation of the description which you have favored us with.

Hoping that we may be able to make the lessons of practical value and assuring you that we shall be glad to receive communications at any time, I am,

Very cordially,

a very pleasant time at Cornell, I am,

Very cordially,
Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. C. D. Woodworth
Bridgewater, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Your communication concerning flower seeds and literature on flowers and their culture has been referred to me. Let me say that there is a mistaken idea that this department is sending out flower seeds or bulbs. We have never had the opportunity to do this, much as we should like to. We are placing you upon the list of readers for the Women's Reading Course and hope that you will find the work of practical benefit. The Experiment Station issue several bulletins on flower culture and should you wish to have them sent you we will be glad to do so. I am sorry that I cannot reply more favorably to your letter. We shall be glad to place any names that you may suggest upon the list of readers for the Women's Reading Course. As you are a member of the Women's Art Club you may be interested in the enclosed circular issued for the Clubs of Western New York.

Very cordially,

Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. J. P. Parker
Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

In reply to your letter let me say that we are looking forward with much pleasure to the meeting which is to be held at Cornell University in May. I appreciate the honor of your place upon the program and will speak upon the subject you ask for: Best Methods of Club Work.

Hoping that the visiting members of the association will have a very pleasant time at Cornell, I am,

Very cordially,
Mar. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Joseph Gilbert
Medford Station, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gilbert:

Let me thank you for the list of names sent for the Cornell Reading Course. I do not know to what rule you refer in regard to the sending of names of persons, but conclude that it is one which forbids postmasters from leading out such lists. I can best answer your letter in regard to the Bureau of Nature-study by placing your name upon the list to receive the Nature-study leaflets. I am sure you will be interested in them today copies which can be supplied to the club. I am sorry that I and am glad that you asked the question, have not with me a list of the members that I might save you the trouble of distributing these. Very cordially.

Mrs. L. T. Parker
Honeoye Falls, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Parker:

Let me thank you for your letter and suggestions regarding the subject of Saving Steps. You certainly have a delightful spirit in regard to your work and I am pleased to have your letter as it will be an inspiration for work in home affairs. We shall be glad to hear from you at any time and to receive names of women who you think will be interested in this Reading Course.

Very cordially,
My dear Mrs. Freeborn:

I was very glad to receive your letter and to have news of the club work in Randolph. I appreciate the interest the members have taken in the Women's Reading Course and am sending today copies which can be supplied to the club. I am sorry that I have not with me a list of the members that I might save you the trouble of distributing these. I would like to place the name of each woman in the club on our mailing list and enclose herewith those whose names I recall and have placed upon the list. Will you kindly send me the names of the other women? This is only to save you the trouble of distributing the lessons as they are published. I send cards upon which names can be placed of women should any in the club wish to have the lessons sent to them.

I did not know that Mrs. Mount had been suggested for the June program. Mrs. Johnson wrote Mrs. Dow that Mrs. Dean could be called upon, and I think when the program committee have a meeting they will be glad to place any one whose name is suggested on the program. I hope several of the women can be there. I ought not to act as a delegate as I am a delegate from the Chautauqua club and a member of the council.

Thanking you for your cordial letter, I am,

Very sincerely:

[Signature]

Mar. 11, 1901.

Mrs. Lena C. Freeborn
Randolph, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Freeborn:

I was very glad to receive your letter and to have news of the club work in Randolph. I appreciate the interest the members have taken in the Women's Reading Course and am sending today copies which can be supplied to the club. I am sorry that I have not with me a list of the members that I might save you the trouble of distributing these. I would like to place the name of each woman in the club on our mailing list and enclose herewith those whose names I recall and have placed upon the list. Will you kindly send me the names of the other women? This is only to save you the trouble of distributing the lessons as they are published. I send cards upon which names can be placed of women should any in the club wish to have the lessons sent to them.

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Thanking you for your cordial letter, I am,

Very sincerely:

[Signature]
Mar. 11, 1901.

Mrs. Dr. P. Griswold
South Cortland, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Griswold: You card let me say that your name has been placed upon that of the Women's Reading Course, but I want to thank you for your letter in regard to the matters in post office Saving Steps and for the suggestions which you have as many readers that I fear if we have no track of the changes indicated on your card some may be lost. I am much pleased to receive the names of others and I was very glad to receive your letter and to have news of the club work in Randolph. I appreciate the interest the members have taken in the Women's Reading Course and am sending today copies which can be supplied to the club. I am sorry that I have not with me a list of the members that I might save you the trouble of distributing these. I would like to place the name of each woman in the club on our mailing list and enclose herewith those whose names I recall and have placed upon the list. Will you kindly send me the names of the other women? This is only to save you the trouble of distributing the lessons as they are published. I send cards upon which names can be placed of women should any in the club wish to have the lessons sent to them.

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I hope several of the women can be there. I ought not to act as a delegate as I am a delegate from the Chautauqua Club and a member of the council for the Women's Reading Course. This is the kind of help I would like to give. Thanking you for your cordial letter, I am, to increase our mailing list as fast as possible. Let me thank you also for your suggestions regarding the subject of sanitation. The points which you mention are very valuable.

Very sincerely,

Mar. 11, 1901.

Very cordially,
Mar. 11, 1901.

Mrs. A. D. Ames
361 Gates Ave.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. E. O. LeBrantz
Beaver Dam, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. LeBrantz:

I am pleased to know that you were interested in the lesson on Saving Steps. I can see that it would be difficult for you as a teacher to keep track of changes in post office regard to the lesson on Saving Steps and for the suggestions which you have made and which are very practical. I am much pleased to receive the names of other women who will be glad to receive the Reading Course and have placed them upon the mailing list. I hope that it will be easier perhaps for you to mail a card indicating a change you will find the lessons of practical interest in the Orange. We shall be glad to hear from you in regard to the work at any time and thank you for your interest.

Very cordially,

Mrs. D. H. Flinn

Mr. P. Griswold
South Cortland, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Griswold:

I want to thank you for your letter in regard to your card and the lesson on Saving Steps and for the suggestions which you have made and which are very practical. I am much pleased to receive the names of other women who will be glad to receive the Reading Course and have placed them upon the mailing list. I hope that it will be easier perhaps for you to mail a card indicating a change you will find the lessons of practical interest in the Orange. We shall be glad to hear from you in regard to the work at any time and thank you for your interest.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Susan M. Sackett
Silver Creek, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sackett:

Let me thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. This is the kind of help which we thoroughly appreciate. We wish to increase our mailing list as fast as possible. Let me thank you also for your suggestions regarding the subject of sanitation. The points which you mention are very valuable.

Very cordially,
Mar. 13, 1901.

Mrs. A. D. Ames
361 Gates Ave.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Ames.

In reply to your card let me say that your name has been placed upon the list of the Women's Reading Course, but I shall have to ask you to notify us of the changes in post office address as they occur. We have so many readers that I fear if we tried to keep track of the changes indicated on your card some failure on our part would prevent your receiving the lessons, and it will be easier perhaps for you to mail a card indicating a change of address in advance than to try to see that each one of those who are desirous of receiving the lessons are notified individually.

Very cordially,

Very truly,

Mrs. F. C. LeBrantz
Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. LeBrantz:

I am pleased to know that you were interested in the lesson on Saving Steps. I can see that it would be difficult for you to find much time outside of your regular work for attention to reading. I am pleased to note, however, that you avail yourself of the time you can secure for this purpose.

Hoping that you will find the lessons of practical value and assuring you that we shall be glad to hear from you upon any subject connected with the work or to receive names of women who will be interested in the course, I am,

Yours very cordially,

Very truly,
Mar. 13, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Schulz:

Mar. 13, 1901.

Mrs. Everett G. Danforth
Jefferson, N. Y.

I thank you for the list of names and for your Reading Course. I am sending you copies and have placed the many I am pleased to know that you were interested in the article on Saving Steps. I quite agree with you that balanced ration for men and women is quite as important as one for stock. We intend to take up that subject later but began in another part of the work as it seemed more natural to take up some other subjects first. Probably this will be a lesson to be treated early in the next year, as much depends upon our feed and feeding that it is a matter which every housekeeper feels an immense responsibility in regard to. One element enters into it which does not so much in regard to stock. We have the effect of misuse in the food and are so "high bred" in regard to our tastes that they are not natural, and what is helpful for one person may not be for another.

The potato test for lard is the best one.

Very cordially.

Some put potatoes in the second time but usually the first time is sufficient. Of course I do not know the conditions and cannot judge that the members of your club will be interested to receive the why the lard has a disagreeable smell. Of course it can be used for some purposes, depending upon the condition it is in. Should you have an oil sample that is to be used, it would pay you to send a sample, I imagine, to our chemist who can tell anything about it.

I enclose 10 cts. in stamps to complete the payment of bill for the copies of the "Express" ordered by this department.

I hope you will excuse the oversight in not sending the full amount. I certainly intended to do so.

Very truly,

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Mar. 13, 1901.
Mrs. Fred D. Schulz
Conewango, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Schulz:

I thank you for the list of names and for your interest in the Women's Reading Course. I am sending you copies and have placed the names which you sent upon the list of readers. I enclose a letter which is sent to clubs. Possibly it will suggest something to you in regard to the use of the lesson in the Grange. I am pleased to note that the names of these women are very familiar to me and it gives me pleasure to come in touch with the Cattaraugus Co. Farmers' wives. Please advise me when we can be of any service to you.

Very cordially.

Mrs. Harriet H. R. Field
Keeaeville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Field:

I was very glad to receive your letter regarding the Reading Course, and will say in answer to your question that from all that I can learn, the potato test for lard is the best one. I am greatly pleased to have your letter saying that the members of your club will be interested in receiving the lesson why the lard has a disagreeable smell. Of course it can be used some. I have the same today. Should you prefer to send the names for some purposes, depending upon the condition in it. Should of the members we will place each one upon the mailing list and that or you have a large quantity and it would pay you to send a sample, the lessons will be sent as they are issued. This might save you some will see if our chemist can tell anything about it.

Very cordially.

Hoping that you will all find this amount of practical interest and assuring you that we shall value any suggestions made, I am

Very cordially.

Mrs. Harriet H. R. Field
Keeaeville, N. Y.
Mar. 13, 1901.

Mrs. Chasir F., Martin
Brockton, Mass., Mass., Y.
My dear Mrs. Martin:

My dear Mr. Zimmerman:

Hummville, N. Y.

I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the Reading Course and have placed your name and that of your president upon the list. Let me thank you for your letter enclosing the names of women to be placed upon our reading list. This is help which we thoroughly appreciate as we want to come into touch with as many farmers' wives as possible.

Thanking you and hoping that the course will be of interest to you, I am,

Very cordially,

Our meeting in June is one of unusual interest in that we have numerous Pan-American advantages.

Hoping that this will meet with your favor, I am,

Yours very cordially,

Chasir F., Martin
Brockton, Mass., Y.

Mar. 13, 1901.

Dear Mrs. Dowd:

Salamanca, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dowd:

I am greatly pleased to have your letter saying that the members of your club will be interested to receive the lessons. I will send the same today. Should you prefer to send the names of the members we will place each one upon the mailing list and the lessons will be sent as they are issued. This might save you some trouble. We thoroughly appreciate the sending of names of other members.

Hoping that you will find the lessons of practical interest and assuring you that we shall value any suggestions made, I am,

I am glad to know you are using the tray. I find it saves many steps.

Very cordially,

Mar. 13, 1901.

Mrs. Agnes M. Dowd

Department of Public Instruction

Albany, N. Y.

Very cordially,

Mar. 13, 1901.

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Mrs. Martin:

I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and have placed your name and that of your president upon the list. Should you wish to send a complete list of your club members I shall be glad to place them upon the mailing list to receive the lessons as they are published. I am interested in your club and am wondering if the members would not consider it wise to join the federation. I enclose a blank which will show you the conditions for membership.

Our meeting in June is one of unusual interest in that we have numerous Pan-American advantages.

Hoping that this will meet with your favor, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. C. W. Hall: May as possible.
Department of Public Instruction
Albany, N. Y. Very cordially.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter to Mr. Spencer, we are sending you copies of the Farmers' Reading Course, as many as have been printed. A supply will also be sent to Mr. Stevens. Mar. 13, 1901. have not

Mrs. Frank Prentice
Canisteo, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Prentice:

Let me thank you for your very cordial letter in regard to Saving Steps and for your interest in the Women's Reading Course. We thoroughly appreciate the sending of names of other women as that is one thing we are trying to accomplish--reaching as many as possible by the course of reading.

I am glad to know you are using the tray. I find it saves many steps.

Very cordially,
March 13, 1901.

Mrs. Mary C. Bradley.
Mrs. E. Silver Creek, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Bradley:

My dear Mrs. March;

I am very glad to send copies of the Reading
Course in order that members of your union may have them. I also
send cards upon which they may place the names of any women who they
recommend to the lesson on "Saving Steps." I do not want you to have
thought would be interested in the course. I shall certainly be glad
your book around, but since you find it of interest I shall take
to hear from you or any members regarding the work, and assure you
pleasure in sending you several copies and will also ask you to
that your suggestions will be of value to us. I am,
send the names of any whom you may desire to have the lessons
sent to. Your encouragement is very p

Very cordially,

I hope to

meet you and your nice little girl at Chautauqua. I shall proba-

bly be there this season, although my experience last season was
not very favorable, as I left to go to the Adirondacks in order to
get back my health, which went to pieces all at once when I fell
down on the sidewalk. My arrangements are March 14, 1901, the
summer, but if I go to Chautauqua I shall look for you and hope I

MARY C. W. Halliday
Department of Public Instruction
Albany, N. Y.

Very cordially

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter to Mr. Spencer, we are sending you

Mrs. S. M. Williams
copies of the Farmers' Reading-Course, as many as have been printed.

Mrs. E. Silver
A supply will also be sent to Mr. Stevens. You will note I have not
omitted the first lesson of the Farmers' Wives Reading-Course, and
am putting your name upon the list. I am interested to note that
you are a farmer as well as an educator.

You have spoken of some
very practical and helpful suggestions. I like the idea of your
companionship with your family, and shall make use of this sugges-
tion where I hope it will benefit others. You do an immense
amount of work and your cheerful spirit is an inspiration to

Very cordially
March 14, 1901

Mrs. Leavina E. Hulse

Mrs. P. R. W. Marsh, Y.
51 Cleveland Ave.
My dear Mr. Columbus, O.

Let me thank you for your excellent letter in regard to the question of "Saving Steps." Your idea in regard to the lesson on "Saving Steps." I do not want you to pass your book around, but since you find it of interest I shall take pleasure in sending you several copies and will also ask you to send me the names of any whom you may desire to have the lesson sent to. Your encouragement is very pleasant to have. I hope to meet you and your nice little girl at Chautauqua. I shall probably be there this season, although my experience last season was not very favorable, as I left to go to the Adirondacks in order to get back my health, which went to pieces all at once when I fell down on the sidewalk. My arrangements are not yet made for the summer, but if I go to Chautauqua I shall look for you and hope I may see you as much as possible.

Very cordially

March 14, 1901

Mrs. George C. Wilkins

Mrs. E. Dillin, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Dillin:

Let me thank you for your very excellent letter in regard to "Saving Steps." It contains some valuable suggestions in regard to this subject. I am pleased to hear you probably are not very practical. I am confident that if you follow the advice given in this letter you will have a woman mesh that is as much a success as that of many a woman who has not read the Woman's Reading Course. I hope this suggestion will be of some use to you and your family and enable them to accomplish what you undertake. I shall try to do so in the best way.

Very cordially

March 14, 1901

Mrs. Martha Kubel

Very cordially
March 14, 1901

Mrs. Lavinia E. Hulse

South Durham, N. Y.

Mrs. E. V. Marsh

My dear Mrs. Hulse:

My dear Mrs. Marsh:

Let me thank you for your excellent letter in regard to the question of "Saving Steps." Your idea in regard to health I fully agree with and if all the daughters could have the training which you are giving yours, the roses would not be so few and your points are excellent, etc. They are a help to me, and I am upon the cheese of those whom we meet. I was interested in what very glad you have written, that is the attitude which I think you said in regard to the Vassar course. I think this is a fortunate state of things and any woman who can do her own work is better off than one who has to hire.

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you that we shall be glad to hear from you and to know of any whom you might like to have placed upon the Reading-Course list, I am

Very cordially

March 14, 1901

Mrs. George C. Wilkins

Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Wilkins:

I was very much pleased to receive your letter containing the names of women who will be interested in the Woman's Reading-Course. I want to thank you for your excellent letter in regard to "Saving Steps." It contains some valuable suggestions which I am pleased to use for others. You probably are realizing as many a woman does, that she does not save herself as well as many a woman ought to. She ought to be more careful with her writing, not to write in a hurry, or upon impulse. I hope for your own good you will think of this often, and let others who are so willing to serve you make your burdens easier. We are glad to hear from you at any time and should you wish to send names of women who would be interested in the course, be free to do so.

Very cordially

March 14, 1901

Mrs. Netta Dabolt
March 14, 1901

Mrs. E. J. Marsh

S.W. Oswego, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Marsh:

My dear Mrs. Robie: Let me thank you for your excellent letter in regard to Sanitation. You have stated the question very clearly, all and your points are excellent. If they are a help to us, and I am very glad you have written about this. This is the attitude which I think we ought to take; and when you read the lesson you will see that we have made use of your suggestions. Are we not sufficient funds have to thank you. In the beginning of another year, these two lessons will be all which cordially department will send out. We shall carry on as vigorous a correspondence, however, as we can work up hoping to be of benefit in this line. Send any names you wish, and I will put them on the list.

If I could say anything before your club which would be interesting or helpful I certainly would be glad to. March 14, 1901 I don't want nothing for my services and would desire to have the traveling. My dear Mrs. Robie: as possible by coming at some time when I am near Bath. I was very much pleased to receive your letter containing the names of women who will be interested in the Woman's Reading-Course. I was especially glad to notice so many names of women whom I have met or have known somewhat in my work in Cattaraugus Co. It is a pleasure to me to come into touch with the Cattaraugus Co. women and I wish we might have a large membership for our reading course among them. I hope you will all be free to write in regard to matters which may interest you or perplex you. We can be mutually helpful, perhaps, and I am very cordially yours.

Very cordially

Mrs. J. J. Robie

Beth, N.Y.

March 14, 1901

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S.W. Oswego, N.Y.

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Very cordially

Mrs. J. J. Robie

Beth, N.Y.
March 14, 1901

My dear Mrs. Robic:

In reply to your letter, let me say that I shall be pleased to place the names of all of the women interested upon our mailing list. We are about to print the lesson on "Home Sanitation." Owing to the fact that many things which the department would like to do but for which there are not sufficient funds have to be omitted until the beginning of another year, these two lessons will be all which the woman's department will send out.

We shall carry on as vigorous a correspondence, however, as we can work up hoping to be a benefit in this line. Send any names you wish, and I will put them on the list.

If I could say anything before your club which would be interesting or helpful I certainly would be glad to come. I should want nothing for my services and would desire to have the traveling expenses as little as possible by coming at some time when I am near Bath. I presume it would be necessary to have the traveling expenses arranged for, but they would not be great. I shall be occupied in the work of the teachers' institutes in April and May, although I have a week beginning April 6th when I would be free to go. I would want you to give me some idea as to the work which you would like to have me take up, if you have any choice, and decide if it would be at all profitable for me to come to you. Certainly I should enjoy doing it, as my former visit in Bath at the time of the Institute was an exceedingly pleasant one.

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. C. Robic
Bath, N. Y.
March 14, 1901
Mr. George A. Crow
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Crow:

Mr. G. A. Crow:

In reply to your letter, let me say that I shall be pleased to place the names of all of the women interested upon our mailing list. We are about to print the lesson on "Home Sanitation." Owing to the fact that many things which the department letter and assume your suggestions are valuable to us. I was would like to do but for which there are not sufficient funds have much interested in what you wrote, and I hope we shall be able to be omitted until the beginning of another year, these two no distant time to take up the subject of foods, as suggested in lessons will be all which the woman's department will send out.

We shall carry on as vigorous a correspondence, however, as we can work up hoping to be a benefit in this line. Send any names you wish, and I will put them on the list.

Yours very cordially,

Mrs. J. C. Robie
Bath, N. Y.
Mrs. Calie A. Crosby
Wrightson, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Cross:

March 14, 1901

In preparing our next lesson which will soon be in the hands of the printer, we have inserted extracts from letters received from farmers' wives. This is to bring the benefit of the experiences of practical people to the work of the Extension department in many ways, and to show that women can do good work in the home. In fact, I have been so much interested in what you wrote, and I hope we shall be able at no distant date to take up the subject of foods, as suggested in the letter which you wrote.

Let me thank you for your very excellent letter and assure you your suggestions are valuable to us. I was much interested in the way you wrote, and I hope we shall be able at some distant date to take up the subject of foods, as suggested in your letter.

Very cordially,

March 15th, 1901.

Mrs. E. B. Austen
Norwood, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Austen:

In the letter which you wrote to me, did you allow me to print your letter among others? This will not have any name. March 15th, 1901.

Very cordially,

Mrs. E. B. Austen
Norwood, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Fenton:

I want to thank you for your interest in the Women's Reading Course. I am especially pleased to hear from my friends: Cattaraugus county and to have them take up the lessons. We are anxious to make this a very practical home course of reading, and though we shall be able for financial reasons to publish but two lessons this spring, the work will probably go on in various lines after the summer months. We shall get into touch with the Orange Society as much as possible and I am very much obliged to you for the suggestion. The names which you sent have been entered upon the list. We should be glad to have comments and suggestions regarding the course at any time.

Thank you, I am yours.

Very cordially,

March 15th, 1901.
March 15th, 1901

Mrs. G.W. Penton,
Randolph, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Penton:

I want to thank you for your interest in the Women’s Reading Course. I am especially pleased to hear from my friends in Cattaraugus county and to have them take up the lessons. We are anxious to make this a very practical home course of reading, and although we shall be able for financial reasons to publish but two lessons this spring, the work will probably go on in various lines after the summer months. We shall get into touch with the Grange societies as much as possible and I am very much obliged to you for your suggestion. The names which you sent have been entered upon the list. We should be glad to have comments and suggestions regarding the course at any time.

Thanking you I am,

Yours very cordially,

[Signature]
Mar. 15, 1902.

Mrs. Celia A. Crosby
Wrightson, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Crosby:

In preparing our next lesson which will soon be in the hands of the printer, we have inserted extracts from letters received from farmers' wives. This is to bring the benefit of the experience of practical people to our work, as the contain many useful suggestions. I do not know of our receiving a letter which use in the W. C. T. U. of Alden. You will confer a great favor on is more helpful in the way of showing what women can do from day to day in a brave, cheerful way to keep up their part of the work and you think will be interested in the course. I trust that you will be a great source of help and inspiration to their families, than find the lessons of practical interest and we shall be glad to hear the letter which you wrote us. Will you allow me to print your letter among others? This will not have any name of post office at.

Very cordially,

March 18th, 1902.

Mrs. A. J. Watkins
Camden, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Watkins:

Let me thank you for your very cordial letter regarding the lesson on Stepping Stone and for the list of names which you have sent. This is of great value to us since we wish to reach as many farmers' wives as possible. I appreciate your interest in the work and trusting that the course will have practical value to young men, I will find the course of interest to them when they have an opportunity to take up the subjects.

Very cordially,
Let me thank you for your very suggestive letter. I am very much pleased to have your letter asking to go on the lesson on Saving Steps. The points which you have mentioned are very good indeed and I wish that all women might have them. I wish that all women might have the things they desired for making their work easier. We can have them if you will be kind enough to do the best that you can and send them into the hands of all the members of the Women's Reading Course and I have sent you fifteen copies to help possible to secure and bring a cheerfulness into our work which you have in the W. C. T. U. of Alden. You will confer a great favor on us if you and other members will send names of farmers' wives who you think will be interested in the course. I trust that you will find the lessons of practical interest and we shall be glad to hear from you in the way of suggestion upon the topics treated. Names of any women who would like to receive the Reading Course.

Very cordially,

Mar. 15, 1901.

March 15th, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Davis:

Mrs. Hattie L. Mason,

Conewango, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Mason, Reading Course. We have not yet been obliged to charge for the list of names which you have sent. It is of special interest to me since they are names of women who I have been interested in connection with my school work in Cattaraugus county. I appreciate your interest in the Women's Reading Course and hope that the members of your Grange will find the course of interest to them when they have an opportunity to take up the subjects.
Mr. E. F. Gilbert
Goldenfield Ave.
Buffalo, N. Y.
My dear Mr. Gilbert:

Let me thank you for your very suggestive letter in answer to the lesson on Saving, Steps. The points which you have mentioned are very good indeed and I wish that all women might have the lessons used in any way where they may benefit and one and I hope will be able to secure and bring a cheerfulness into our work which will be derived from appreciating what we have and enjoying as much as possible of the beautiful in life as possible, less be able to suggest many practical ideas.

I want to thank you for your letter and assure you that we shall always be glad to hear from you. Should you wish to send names of any women who would like to receive the Reading Course, please do so. We can realize.

Very cordially,

Mrs. O. W. Lane
Great Barrington, Mass.

Mar. 18, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Davis:

Cherryfield, Maine.

My dear Mrs. Davis:

Staples and to place your name upon the list for future publications. We are not yet obliged to charge for the lessons sent out of the state and until we do you will receive them of practical interest to you, I am, very cordially.

Mar. 18, 1901.

Mrs. E. F. Davis

Cherryfield, Maine.

I am placing your name upon the list of readers for the Women's Reading Course. We have a great many applications to charge for the lessons sent out of the state and until the demand is too great we shall send them free. I am glad that you will find the lessons in this state and perhaps in the future of practical interest to you, I am, very cordially.

Mar. 18, 1901.
Mrs. Eli T. Hosmer  
64 Ashland Ave.,  
Buffalo, N. Y. 

My dear Mrs. Hosmer: 

I am very much pleased to have your letter asking for the Women's Reading Course. I shall be glad to have the lessons used in any way where they may benefit and one and I hope you will be free to send the names of any women who you would like along the line of Saving Steps. Whenever I receive a letter like this I have the lessons mailed to. Your suggestions will at all times I wish that more of our farmers could see that fancy work and be received with pleasure and profit, and as you are situated in a music and reading are necessary in their lives to make their practical way to see the practical needs of women in the home, you will doubtless every day work of most value to others and to make drudgery seem less be able to suggest many practical ideas. 

Yours cordially,  

[Signature]

Mrs. O. W. Lane you for your suggestions and hoping to hear from you again, I am,  
My dear Mrs. Lane:  

I am pleased to send you the lesson on Saving Steps and to place your name upon the list for future publications. We are not yet obliged to charge when we send lessons out of the state and until we do you will receive the lessons as they are published. I enclose a copy of a circular letter which I have sent to the clubs in this state and perhaps you will find something of interest in it.  

Very cordially,  

[Signature]
Mr. C. E. Saline:

My dear Mrs. Saline:

Let me thank you for your very helpful letter along the line of saving steps. Whenever I read a letter like this I wish that more of our farmer women could see that fancy work and the steps.

music and reading are necessary in their lives to make their practical every-day work of most value to others and to make drudgery seem less difficult to work through.

I have certainly found the solution of the question of our entertainments, and I say nothing has been found that will in that you use some of the recreations of life for that purpose. We do it effectively. A woman wrote from Washington that she used the suggestion, too, in regard to the care of the person is more valuable than we can realize. I am glad that you mentioned this. The care is lost in places that they have sought. When the care is so easy to become careless when we do work which requires old person is removed the ants return. I wish you would turn your mind to clothes, and we do not realize that there are people about us whom you find it successful. I would like to know if the benefit of the other we may be interested in this subject.

Your letter is not too long and the more you write the more I appreciate your suggestions and hoping to hear from you pleased we will be. Again, I am in reply to your letter. I have placed your name upon the list of readers of the "Y" and cordially.

We are not obliged as yet to charge for the lessons out of the state until we do so they will be sent at no cost to you. I hope you will find them of practical value in your work to help any suggestions that you may make.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mar. 18, 1901.
March 18, 1902.

Mrs. T. O. Benjamin
144 Found Ave.
Riverhead, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Benjamin:

Let me thank you for your very cordial letter in reply to the lesson on Saving Steps. You have made some very valuable suggestions which I hope to pass on to others for their advantage.

I have seen the need of studying to avoid the use of so many dishes in making and I am pleased that you have come to the conclusion that you have written freely. I was very much pleased hearing you say we may be glad that you have written freely. We will have more to talk then over with our friends. The four walls of our home are a great annoyance and it is very difficult to find anything to drive them away. I have consulted several experts, but to no avail. The work that we are doing to other people, to have a change often enough, is nothing.

A woman wrote from Washington that she used gum camphor. I have tried it and I find the ants disappear while the camphor is left in places that they have sought. When the camphor is removed the ants return. I wish you would try this and if you find it successful I would like to know it, for the benefit of others who may be interested in this subject.

Your letter is not too long and the more you write the more pleased we will be.

In reply to your letter I have placed your name upon the list of readers for the Works. Cordially,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

March 18, 1902.
Mar. 18, 1901.

Mrs. T. G. Benjamin to have us. Will you let me begin with you and tell me your views upon some things which we will both enjoy.

My dear Mrs. Benjamin:

As a mother of a heroines as the soldier does this well, she says: "Let me thank you for your very cordial letter in reply to the lesson on "Saving Steps." You have made some very valuable suggestions which I hope to pass on to others for their benefit. Personally I have seen the need of studying to avoid the use of so many dishes in baking and I am pleased that you have mentioned in such a valuable way this question, showing how we may economize in that line.

We will always be glad to hear from you and should there be walls of a kitchen you do not offer very much in the way of rest and in others whose names you should like to have placed on the list of readers kindly send them to us.

Mr. George W. Hanson, Sanford, Maine.

My dear Mrs. Corwin:

Let me thank you for your cordial letter in answer to the lesson on "Saving Steps." In reply to your letter I have placed your name upon the list of readers. For the Women's Reading Course, we are not obliged as yet to charge for the lessons out of the state and until we do so they will be sent as they are asked for. I hope you will find them of practical value in your Grange.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time and shall appreciate any suggestions which you may make.

Very sincerely,
as they will like to have us. Will you let me begin with you and we will talk over together some things which we will both enjoy.

I have your battles to fight every day and I believe when a woman does this well, she is as much of a heroine as the soldier is a hero on the battle field.

Mar. 18, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Ward:

I was very much interested in your letter and am glad that you have written freely. We all have our difficulties and it does us good to talk them over with our friends. The four walls of a kitchen do not offer very much in the way of rest and inspiration for the problems of life only as we are able to see in our work that we are useful to other people. It is necessary, however, to have a change often enough to keep the mind free from dwelling upon only that which is drudgery. Country life offers the beauties of nature and perhaps that is the most useful source of help under circumstances which I fear are quite common and which are hard to remedy. As the beautiful days come I hope that you can get out of doors and find in the running brooks, the graceful foliage, the hills and the vallies something which speaks of the beautiful in life, something which indicates a great workmanship which is truly for our benefit. The beautiful in nature must be made for us and it speaks beautiful thoughts.

I want to send you something to read. I have a good many books at my command and the only difficulty is that I do not know just what you would enjoy. I wouldn't try to take anything very hard because you are already over-worked with the work which you have to do. Would you mind writing me something of your taste in this line? If you like stories I can send them. If you like poetry or history better I can send those. A part of our work is to be, in the future, the directing of women in their reading -- far
as they will like to have us. Will you let me begin with you and
we will talk over together some things which we will both enjoy.
MRS. G. H. BROWN
You have your battles to fight every day and I believe when a woman
East Orange, N. J.
does this well, she is as much of a heroine as the soldier is a
My dear Mrs. Brown:
hero on the battle field.
Hoping to hear from you, I am,
Yours very cordially,

Mar. 18, 1901.

MRS. MAE CORWIN
Andover, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. Corwin:
Let me thank you for your cordial letter in
answer to the lesson on Saving Steps. You have mentioned some diffi-
culties which I fear are quite common and which are hard to remedy.
However it is necessary for a woman to have these things more con-
venient if possible. While I may be able to secure for you those
immediate helps in the home I hope we may add to your life some
pleasure which will make it easier to endure the conditions as they
exist. I wish that you might be able to secure an outside wood
shed and a wood box as you suggest, and a place in the cellar for the
things which you need to place there. I have heard of the condi-
tions which you mention and I know that they are not easy to bear.
You will be remembered and I hope you will find relief and hope in
the future. Please be free to write at any time and rest assured
that we want to be of assistance wherever we can.

Mar. 21, 1901.

MRS. MARY A. FIELD
East Orange, N. J.
My dear Mrs. Field:
You will be remembered and I hope you will find relief and hope in
the future. Please be free to write at any time and rest assured
that we want to be of assistance wherever we can.

Very cordially,
Mrs. C. G. Brown

East Chatham, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

Mr. W. W. Garfield: Let me thank you for your cordial letter and for the suggestions contained therein.

My dear Mr. Garfield:

The points in regard to the memoranda book is an excellent one and I believe has not been suggested before.

I remember now the first lesson of the Women's Reading Course given in the department.

We shall be glad to have you at any time and to receive names of women who would be interested in the Reading Course. Interest of this work brings us rich returns.

We shall greatly appreciate anything which you may say in your paper to call attention to the Reading Course and will be glad to receive a copy of the paper when this particular subject is noticed.

I do not know whether you are interested in farming but probably you are. Your boys, no doubt, are interested in the Nature-study and I am sending you copies of the Nature-study leaflets and wish regular afterwards.

The Farmer's Reading Course thinking that they may be of interest to you and your family.

Mrs. Harriet H. Field
Keesville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Field:

I wrote you recently regarding the question which you asked and since that time have talked with the chemist with regard to it. He suggests that you mail a small quantity of the land in a little box and we will test it. I think it would be interesting to know what the difficulty is.

Very truly,

Mar. 21, 1901.
Mrs. C. G. Brown

East Chatham, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

Mr. W. W. Canfield Let me thank you for your cordial letter and for the suggestions contained therein.

My dear Mr. Canfield:

The points in regard to the memoranda book is an excellent one and I believe has not been suggested before.

Your idea in regard to taking each day's worry as it comes is the secret of comfortable living. We do not need to worry about the future because things are liable not to occur which we anticipate.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time and to receive names of women who would be interested in the Reading Course. Interest in this work brings us rich returns. I did not know that farmers' families read newspapers as much as they do. We shall greatly appreciate anything which you may say in your paper to call attention to the Reading Course and will be glad to receive a copy of the paper when this particular work is noticed.

The subject of foods we shall hope to take up next year. You I do not know whether you are interested in farming but probably you are. Your boys no doubt are interested in the Nature that you take the time for it. It pays to do so because work is study and I am sending you copies of the Nature-study leaflets and much happier afterwards.

the Farmer's Reading Course thinking that they may be of interest to you and your family.

Mrs. Harriet H. Field
Keesville, N. Y.

I sincerely hope that Mrs. Canfield is greatly improved in health. I wrote you recently regarding the question which you asked and since that time have talked with the chemist with regard to it. He suggests that you mail a small quantity of the land in a little box and he will test it. I think it would be interesting to know what the difficulty is.

Very truly,

Mar. 21, 1901.

Mr. W. W. Canfield

East Chatham, N. Y.

Mar. 21, 1901.
Mrs. Grace J. Griffith
128 State St.,
Utica, N. Y.

Mar. 31, 1901.

Miss Laura L. Parmelee
322 East Avenue,
Cambridge, Mass.

I am sending under separate cover copies of
Women's Reading Course, issued by the Cornell University Extension
regarding the Women's Reading Course. I know that the state
department together with other things connected with the work,
and I am sending you copies of the Nature-study leaflets and
newspapers as much pleasure as the work I have sent you. I have sent a
stuff together with the best means of reaching farmers and farm-
paper which is published in the inter-
places where the bugs appear. I am enclosing this in order to show how
farmers' families read newspapers as much as they do. We shall greatly
from careless housekeeping that they are.
I am sending you copies of the Nature-study leaflets and
much happier afterwards.
the Farmer's Reading Course thinking that they may be of interest
I thank you for your cordial invitations and should I do not

Please remember me most cordially to your wife and sister, and
I must say that I am delighted to receive letters regarding the
I sincerely hope that Mr. Canfield is greatly improved in health.
our own western state women will become interested.

Very cordially,

Very truly,

The most earnest of your letters.

Please ask me for a copy of bulletins, as you may need them.

My most respectful regards,

Mrs. Grace J. Griffith.
Mar. 21, 1901.

Mrs. Grace G. Griffith
138 State St.
Utica, N. Y.

Miss Laura L. Parmenter
My So. Leonard, Averill Park:
Cambridgeport, Mass.

Mar. 21, 1901.

My dear Miss Parmenter:

Mrs. D. F. Boutwell Sweeney Steps, I am sorry that I cannot send a larger number of the edition proves entirely too small for our demand.

My dear Mrs. Boutwell, the edition proves entirely too small for our demand.

I am sending under separate cover, copies of the Women's Reading Course and shall send also the suggestions contained therein. I shall have sent to you a copy of a bulletin issued at Washington on household insects. I have used at home gasoline quite freely around the edges of the carpet and in places where the bugs appear. I find that this is quite effective but they seem to me a constant menace. I observe, that it is not from careless housekeeping that they come, since they fly in at the windows like bees and catch in places that receive careful attention. The best of housekeepers seem to have them.

The subject of foods we shall hope to take up next year. You are certainly interested in a good line of reading and I am glad that you take the time for it. It pays to do so because work is much happier afterwards.

I thank you for your cordial invitation and should I be able to accept it, will give me a great deal of pleasure.

U. S. Entomologist

Mar. 21, 1901.

I must say that I am delighted to receive letters regarding the Reading Course from women so near my own home and hope that many of our own western state women will become interested.

We shall be glad to have your names of any women who might be interested in the Reading Course. The next lesson is in the publisher's hands and will be mailed before very long.

Very truly,

[Signature]

Mrs. D. F. Boutwell
Mar. 21, 1901.

Mrs. Grace G. Griffith
156 State St.,
Union, N. Y.

Miss Laura L. Parmeter
My 3: Leonard A. Griffith:
Cambridgeport, Mass.

My dear Miss Parmeter:

I am sending under separate cover, copies of
the lesson on Saving Steps. I am sorry that I cannot send a larger
quantity but the edition proves entirely too small for our demands.
I have your letter and am pleased to know
that the leaflets are of value to you. Owing to the large demand
it will be republished next year no doubt, at which time a larger
outside of the state and the fact that this is provided for by state
appropriation, it has been impossible to continue the cut of state
Our next lesson is in the hands of the printer and I will send
mail. The leaflets, however, can be secured as per the enclosed
you twenty-five copies and more if you desire. Other leaflets
circular. There will be but little else issued this spring but I
mentioned in your letter will also be sent from the various depart-
shall be pleased to send you whatever is published.
I hope that you will find these of value and assure you
I am very sorry to hear that you have been ill. I sincerely
that we are pleased to have you write from the Household Economic
hope that you will be careful and not return to your work too soon.
department. We are to have a state convention of that association
I assure you my own health is much better than last fall and I have
here the 31st of May and I hope that you will be able to be with us.
not been obliged to give up so much work as formerly which is a great
I enclose a circular letter which was sent to the clubs in West-

Very cordially,

Mrs. Adon La.

Mar. 21, 1901.

Dr. A. C. Howald
U. S. Entomologist
Washington, D. C.
My dear Mr. Grinn:
Dear Sir:

I have been recommended by Professor K. V. Slingerland to
ask you for a copy of bulletin No. 4 on household insects. If I shall
be not to be able to the use of one of these leaflets, I shall
be very greatly obliged to you for a copy.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time and glad to rec-

Very truly,

Mr. A. M. La.

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Utica, N. Y.

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I am sending under separate cover, copies of the lesson on Saving Steps. I am sorry that I cannot send a larger quantity, but the edition proves entirely too small for our demands. It will be republished next year no doubt, at which time a larger number can be supplied.

Our next lesson is in the hands of the printer and I will send you twenty-five copies and more if you desire. Other leaflets mentioned in your letter will also be sent from the various departments. I hope that you will find these of value and assure you that we are pleased to have you write from the Household Economic department. We are to have a state convention of that association here the 31st of May and I hope that you will be able to be with us.

I enclose a circular letter which was sent to the Clubs in western New York. Perhaps it may be of interest to you.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Adah Haar
Wedgwood, N. Y.

Mar. 22, 1901.

Mrs. 'Lorna' Corwin,
Wedgwood, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Corwin:

Let me thank you for your courteous letter and for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. I trust that the lessons will be of value and practical interest. The sending of names of other women is especially helpful to us.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time and glad to receive names of any women who might be interested in the Reading Course.

The next lesson is in the printer's hands and will be issued before very long.

Very cordially,
Miss Madelaine Pierce,
Miss J. E. Farwell, Dept. 12 New York Tribune
Geneva, New York City
Mr. J. T. Murdock

My dear Miss Madelaine Pierce:

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Farmers' Wives Reading Course and send you herewith the first copy issued. The next notice in the hand-book of the course was sent by special request of your husband. I have enclosed your specimen paper. I hope you will not only find

Dear Mr. Murdock:

I am pleased to hear that attention to this kind of work is great and increasing. The Farmers' Wives Reading Course will be a benefit to us. I am glad you appreciate the need for this kind of work and that you have done so much for it. I am glad you have brought the attention of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course to the attention of the Farmers. I am glad you have brought the attention of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course to the attention of the Farmers. I am glad you have brought the attention of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course to the attention of the Farmers. I am glad you have brought the attention of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course to the attention of the Farmers. I am glad you have brought the attention of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course to the attention of the Farmers.
Miss Magdalene Pierce

Miss I. Haupt, Women's Dept., of New York Tribune
Geneva, N. Y.

Mr. R. J. Maloney

My dear Mrs. Haupt,

I am pleased to place your name upon the mailing list for the Farmers' wives Reading Course and send you herewith the first copy issued. I have noted your excellent paper in the columns of the newspaper in which the paper was published. I have received a few of the Farmers' wives Reading Course notice which you can give of the Reading Course will be a benefit to us in touch with the farmers and their families. It has proven a happy experience for us in giving. If I can give of the Reading Course will be a benefit to us.

Mr. R. J. Maloney

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Mr. W. D. Johnson
Racine, N. Y.

Mrs. Anna N. White

Mr. Jonathan Faust, M. D.

U. S. barber, Pa.

My dear Sir:

In reply to your letter, let me say that we are pleased to place your name upon the Reading Course for farmers' wives.

We have been greatly interested in the supply of books on Home Sanitation and will be sent it when it is received. We are able to supply all that are asked for.

Our next lesson will be one of the subjects that has been presented to the farmers' wives, and I shall be pleased to have you send your criticisms and suggestions.

Very truly,

Regretting that I cannot send more lessons and assuring you that we appreciate your interest, I am.
Miss J. Estelle Amens
Geneva, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Maloney

Dear Mr. Maloney,

(Registrar of Poughkeepsie Evening Star)

I am pleased to place your name upon the list for the Women's Reading Course and hope that you will not only find it an excellent paper has reached us in which you have given us notice of the Women's Reading Course. I would like to thank you and express my appreciation of the Women's Reading Course. I hope you find yourselves situated on a farm and that the newspaper do go into the farm home.

Appreciating your assistance, I am,

Very cordially,

Very truly,

Apr. 1, 1901.

Mr. R. J. Maloney
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Mr. Maloney,

My dear Mr. Maloney,

I am sending you a few copies of the Women's Reading Course and regret that I cannot send the full number as the supply of the first lesson is just about exhausted. We shall have a large enough number of these to send what are desired. I would be glad to have you send the names of the women wishing these and we will put them upon our mailing list.
Miss J. Estelle Angus  
Geneva, N.Y.

My dear Miss Angus:

I am pleased to place your name upon the list for the Women's Reading Course and hope that you will not only find the course of practical interest but that it will lighten your labors in giving you outside things to think about. I believe country life may be made very happy because everything in nature contributes to it. At any rate, if we find ourselves situated on a farm, the happiest thing to do is to find what there is in our surroundings which will make us get the most out of life.

I shall be glad to hear from you at any time and hope that you will write freely.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mr. M. D. Johnson  
Randolph, N.Y.

My dear sir:

I want to thank you for your notice in a recent issue of the "Register" of the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University. These notices assist us greatly in reaching the farmers and farm home, and as your paper is taken so generally in our part of Cattaraugus County, I am pleased to have the Women's Reading Course noticed.

Will you kindly send the cut which you used in the last print to Mrs. A. E. Jones, 96 Norwood Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.

Your bill was audited and will be paid by the treasurer soon.

Yours cordially,
Mar. 27, 1901.

Mrs. E. D. Wightman
Clarion, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Wightman:

I want to thank you for your suggestions.

Mr. D. John E. Howell Reading Course. It certainly is most desirable to have some place the location of their work and I hope that we shall be able to arrange for this. The course is only just started and we are hoping to do just what you suggest. I am very glad you have spoken of this because we want to know from the women what they most desire.

You certainly have had an interesting experience and a good deal of hard work.

The next lesson is on something in regard to the construction of homes and I hope you may find it of practical value.

Your work no doubt has been much easier because you were interested in reading. We hope at some time to be able to suggest a course of study in which many of our friends on the farms will be interested.

My dear Mrs. Howell:

I will make a special note of your letter and remember that you are interested in this line of work. My personal experience leads me to believe that we ought to form a definite plan in order to accomplish the most. At the same time, when we are worn and weary with work it is well to have reading which will be a recreation rather than a fixed duty. I think it is an interesting thing, this year particularly, to study American history and literature, as much as there will be much of interest in the Pan-American Exposition along these lines.

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you that we shall always be glad to hear from you, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. C. E. Dennis
324 W. Concord St.

Mrs. E. D. Williamson
Clarke, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Williamson:

Mar. 27, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Williamson:

I have your letter asking for copies of the lesson on Saving Steps and I am very glad to know that the women will regard John E. Howell Reading Course. It certainly is most desirable.

I am able to have women forget the monotony of their work and I hope that you will want to assist in this. The course is only just started and we are hoping to do just what you suggest. I am very glad you have spoken of this because we want to know from the women what they have certainly had an interesting experience and a good deal of hard work.

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My dear E. M. Price:

Dear Mrs. Price:

My very dear:

Dear Mrs. N. J. Y:

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Thanking you for your letter and assuring you that we shall always be glad to hear from you, I am,

Very cordially,

Appreciating your assistance, I am,
Mar. 27, 1901.

Mrs. E. D. Williamson
309 W. Terry St.
Clarke, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Williamson:

I have your letter asking for copies of the lesson on Saving Steps and I am very glad to know that the Friends will be interested in the Women's Reading Course. It certainly is most desirable to have women forget the monotony of their work and I hope that we shall be able to assist in this. The course is only just started and we are hoping to do just what you suggest. I am very glad you have placed the names which you sent me upon the list and I am sending you as many copies of Saving Steps as are available. We have had a much larger call for them than was anticipated. However, if you will please send me the names of the members of the Reading Course mailing list, and each one will receive direct the lessons as they are published.

Very cordially,

We shall have a reprint of Saving Steps but not until fall.

I regret very much that I cannot send the full number.

Mrs. Mary E. Price
309 W. Terry St.
Clarke, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Price:

Let me thank you for your cordial letter in regard to the Women's Reading Course. I am pleased that you find the first lessons practically at once.

I agree with you that a cupboard is better for placing the dishes away than to hang them where they will receive so much dust.

A copy of your excellent paper has reached us in which you have given editorial notice of the Women's Reading Course. I wish I might see the places which you speak of in your letter.

Thank you for your interest and assistance.

Very cordially,

Appreciating your assistance, I am,

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Mar. 27, 1901.

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Thanking you for your interest and assistance, I am,

Very cordially,

M. E. Noble,
Editor of Pigeon Co. Herald

Mar. 27, 1901.

Dear Sir: Sularin again I cannot send you the number that you would like. A copy of your excellent paper has reached us in which you have given editorial notice of the Women's Reading Course. I want to thank you and assure you that attention of this kind is greatly appreciated. In that we depend upon newspapers largely to bring us in touch with the farmers and their families. It has proven a valuable means to that end, showing that the newspapers do go into the farm homes.

Appreciating your assistance, I am,

Very cordially,

Very truly,
Mr. 27, 1901.
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Mrs. H. A. Van Freedenberg
Mrs. Anna Marvin (New York Farmer)
Gage Block, Binghamton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Marvin:

I am greatly pleased to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course and thank you for your letter in regard to the lessons on Saving Steps. Doubtless you find your work very much pleasanter for the reading which you do and because you are out of doors and keep the mind and body in a healthy condition, I wish all women could do this kind of work and their families. It has proven a valuable subject when I was convalescent, in order that I may have remained in my room, and I have been able to bring us into the Reading Course. I am sorry that I was not able to bring you a larger supply of the lessons on Saving Steps, but I am glad to hear that you have now a larger supply and will let me know when you have them.

I shall be glad to hear at any time from you if you have anything to suggest upon the topics discussed, and I hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest.

Very cordially,

Mar. 27, 1901.
Mar. 27, 1901.

Mrs. Ellen Dunham
Brocton, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Dunham:

(Editors of Iroquois Co. Herald)

Newark Valley, N. Y.

I am very glad to have you ask for the Women's Reading Course for your Grange. We published five thousand copies of Saving Steps and the supply is just about exhausted. Until we print this bulletin again I cannot send you the number that you would like, but I send you a few under separate cover. We will soon have ready for distribution the lesson on Home Sanitation and can supply you with as many as you desire.

If you will kindly send the names of the women we will place them upon the mailing list and they will receive direct the lessons as they are published. I regret very much not to send you a full supply of the lessons on Saving Steps.

Very cordially,

Mar. 27, 1901.
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Mr. G. E. Purple
(Editor of Tioga Co. Herald)
Newark Valley, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

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You have our appreciation for your willingness to aid in this work.

Very sincerely,

Mr. A. H. Van Eedenberg
Dear World of New York Farmer
Port Jervis, N. Y.

I am greatly pleased to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course and thank you for writing as I am sure you have given editorial notice of the Women's Reading Course. I want to thank you and assure you that attention of this kind is greatly appreciated in that we depend upon newspapers largely to bring us in touch with the farmers and their families. It has proven a valuable means to that end, showing that the newspapers do go into the farm homes.

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Very sincerely,
Mrs. Fannie D. Storrs
Lyons, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Storrs:

Dear Miss çarp

I will place your letter regarding the
for the Woman’s Reading Course and thank you for writing as
interested in the Women’s Reading Course and thank you for writing an
essay as yet to limit the mailing of these lessons to women in New
you have.

I am sorry not to be able to give you a estimate for hard
of the lesson on Saving Steps, but our staff has been entirely
exhausted and until we have a reprint it will not be possible for me to
you more than one copy. However we have the appreciation to
an appreciation of your work so much pleasanter. We should it
make their every-day existence somewhat pleasanter. We should it
be possible for me to sometime visit your county when you are driving
into the country districts, I wish I might so and go with you to
your country schools. I still am greatly interested in this line
of work and now have a new incentive for interest and work in this
line. You have our appreciation for your willingness to aid in
this work.

Very sincerely,

Arr. 1, 1901.

Mr. Willis C. Teall (Publisher)
Sodus, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Teall:

Mr. T. R. Underhill
East Bethany, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Underhill:

Let me thank you for your letter and for the
suggestions which it contains in regard to the Women’s Reading Course.
You certainly must have a busy life but I note that you take plea-
ure in your work which certainly must relieve the burden very greatly.
I trust that you will find the lessons of practical interest
and assure you that it will be a pleasure to hear from you at any
time.

Very cordially,

Arr. 1, 1901.
Mrs. Fannie D. Storrs
Lynne, N. H.

My dear Mrs. Storrs:

I will place your name upon the mailing list for the Woman's Reading Course and am glad that it has not been necessary as yet to limit the mailing of these lessons to women in New York state. I am sorry not to be able to send you several copies of the lesson on Saving Steps, but our first edition is about exhausted and until we have a reprint, it will not be possible to send you more than one copy. However we have the lessons soon to be mailed, and if you will send the names of women interested we shall supply them with the new lesson.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

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Appreciating your assistance, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]
Mr. and Mrs. Mary C. Carr
Quainttown, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Carr:

I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions of practical interest which you have made. You certainly are right in the idea that intellectual life and pleasure are necessary for a stimulus for hard work and as a means for rest and relaxation. I realize entirely now how you felt when you made the remark you did concerning the scenery about you, and found that it was not responded to. An appreciation of the beauties of country life makes the work so much pleasanter and makes life generally so much brighter, that I regret that all of our farmers' wives do not look upon it as you do.

I am having the bulletins which you ask for sent to you.

We shall always be glad to hear from you and assure you that your suggestions and comments will be of benefit to us and we shall hope to use them for the good of others.

Mrs. Lavinia B. Hulse
South Durham, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Hulse:

In reply to your inquiry let me say that we have not been able to arrange for a regular course of reading other than by our printed lessons, one of which has been already sent out.

Mr. Willis C. Teall (Publisher)

Dr. G. P. Kennard, N. Y.

I shall place your name upon the mailing list and the second lesson will reach you soon. Our first edition of the first lesson you have given editorial notice of the Women's Reading Course. I am just about exhausted and I cannot send you the reprint until a reprint is made. I greatly appreciate in that we depend upon newspapers largely to bring us in touch with the farmers and their families. It has proved to us that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and on a valuable means to that end, showing that the newspapers do go into the farm homes.

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Very cordially,

South Durham, N. Y.

Apr. 1, 1901.
Mrs. E. A. Jones
Mrs. R. Station, N. Y.

April 1, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Jones:

My dear Mrs. Robinett:

I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course, and quite agree with you as to the suggestions which you have made. I believe that the habit of taking some time for reading, music and resting will make farm life very when I will be nearer to bath than place. I will probably ask much easier and pleasanter, and it is a pleasure to note that you are giving your daughters this training. I also like your suggestions in regard to the outdoor work, because it is so conducive to good health.

I want to thank you for the recipe which you have sent, and shall find it of practical value. I hope that others may have the benefit of your experience.

I will write you later. Very cordially,

Dr. C. P. Bennett

April 1, 1901.

Mrs. Lavinia E. Hulse
South Durham, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Hulse:

In reply to your inquiry let me say that we have no catalogues relating to the Women's Reading Course, and have not yet been able to arrange for a regular course of reading other than by our printed lessons, one of which has been already sent out. I shall place your name upon the mailing list and the second lesson will reach you soon. Our first edition of the first lesson is just about exhausted and I cannot send you this until a reprint is made.

I trust that you will find the course of practical value and assuring you that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. E. A. Jones
Mrs. R. Station, N. Y.
Apr. 1, 1902.

Mrs. J. C. Robie,
2604 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Robie: In reply to your letter, let me say that until I get my schedule for Institutes which I am to attend during the month of May, I shall be unable to say when I can come to Bath or when I will be nearer to Bath than Ithaca. I will probably be at liberty the last week of May, but if the meeting is on a Saturday, I could come most any Saturday of the month; and should we be able to fix upon an date I will advise you as to a subject. If I see an opportunity to come in May, which will make the expense light, I will write you. I have been asked to speak at a teachers' association May 6th at Fillmore, and if possible I can put the trip in then and a mileage in that case would be slight. At any rate, I will write you later.

Very cordially,

Dr. C. P. Bennett
Mrs. E. 2604 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear sir:

The Woman's Reading Course did not start until 1901 and we have issued one number. The second is now in the hands of the printer and is in the stage of printing course hoping that you will find the lessons of practical interest. It shall be glad to receive your suggestions sent any time from out of state applicants, although the Woman's Reading Course and the names of any other woman who would like to receive the course is now limited to this state. I enclose a circular which states the conditions for receiving that course.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Editors of "New York World"
New York City
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Sirs:

In your issue of May 27th, 1900 you had a most interesting illustrated article on Saving Stamps. This started from a circular letter sent out by Cornell University which was to determine whether in the Extension work a course of reading for women would be a desirable addition. I do not know whether the article was ever acknowledged from this office, but the course is now established and I enclose a copy of the first lesson. The second lesson is now in the hands of the printer. We have on our mailing list nearly six thousand names of women, most of whom are residents of New York state.

I should be very glad to send to Mrs. Jesse Williams, whom you employed to determine a pedometric record of a woman's work, a copy of the lesson. We appreciate greatly the interest which you took in this subject and have placed you upon our mailing list.

Very cordially,

Mrs. W. S. Kyle
Plymouth, Mass.

My dear sir:

In reply to your letter I will send you a copy of "New York World" as soon as it is received from the printer. I have herewith the half dollar sent as far as is possible to Miss E. M. Ward.

My dear Mrs. Howland:

I have placed your name upon the Reading Course hoping that you will find the lessons of practical interest. I shall be glad to receive your suggestions sent any time and the name of any other women who would like to receive the course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. E. C. Howland

Mr. E. M. Ward:

I am very glad to place your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course and hope that it will be of practical benefit to you. As yet we have not been obliged to reject any applications from other states, although the Women's Reading Course is now limited to this state. I enclose a circular which states the conditions for receiving that course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. E. C. Howland
Miss Caroline E. Weeks
State Institute
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Miss Weeks:

You will perhaps recall a visit which I made in Brooklyn a year ago, and my conversation with you concerning the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University. I am sending you the first lesson in this course and our second lesson is now in the printer's hands. I want to say that the encouragement which you gave me at that time has been remembered through the year and has been an incentive to work for this enterprise.

Your remarks in regard to rural schools and your interest in them has also aided me in my Institute work for the rural school teachers. I have quoted you, without using your name, believing that it would be an inspiration to rural school teachers.

I trust that you are still interested in the Women's Reading Course and that you will always be free to suggest anything to us which will help to make the course practical and beneficial to the women for whom it is designed.

Very cordially,

Mrs. W. S. Kyle
Plymouth, Mass.

My dear Miss Ward:

In reply to your letter I will send you copies of the pamphlet on Home Sanitation as soon as it is received from the printer. I enclose herewith the half dollar sent as far it is not sufficient.

Seward, Calif.

Miss M. E. Ward

I am very glad to place your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course and hope that it will be of practical benefit to you. As yet we have not been obliged to refuse out of state applications, although the Farmers' Reading Course is now limited to this state. I enclose a circular which states the conditions for receiving that course.
Mrs. C. W. Cole  
Miss A. Barrows  
Boston, Mass.

My dear dear Mrs. Cole:  
My dear Miss Barrows:

Let me thank you for your letter regarding the lesson on Sewing Hints and the suggestions which it contains. The lesson and receive at this office the "Kitchen Magazine." We hardly know the good which you mention must certainly be a great convenience. how to get along without this magazine, as it proves of very practical help to many mothers who would like to know how to get the children to hang up their wraps and put away their playthings. It saves an immense amount of time on the part of the home keeper.

I am sorry she did not place her name under it. We are always glad to hear from you and to receive names of women who will be interested in the Women's Reading Course.

Economic Association to be held at Cornell University, May 1st.

Very cordially,

Mrs. C. W. Cole

Mr. W. S. Kyle  
Miss Plymouth, Mass.

My dear Mr. Kyle:

In reply to your letter I will send you four copies of the pamphlet on "Good Housekeeping" as soon as it is received from the printer. I enclose herewith the half dollar sent as far it is not necessary to require a fee for copies sent out of the state.

It is not our practice to send the publications out of the state free of charge, but they can be secured according to the enclosed circular. The Women's Reading Course is new and we have not yet refused applications from people out of New York.

Very truly,
My dear Mrs. Towne:

Let me thank you for your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course, and say that I have placed your name upon and receive at this office the "Kitchen Magazine". We hardly know the supply of the first issue is just how to get along without this magazine, as it proves of very practi- and copies cannot be furnished until a reprint is cal value wherever it goes. The copy containing Mrs. Gifford's made. The second lesson on Home Sanitation is now in the hand of article is receiving most favorable attention at this University regard-ation and for see you. I have placed you upon our exchange list, and if that reason we have not advertised it in New England papers. How I am sorry she did not place her name under it. 

I hope it is your intention to be present at the State Home may ever, we are very glad to have our friends outside of the state in- 
Economic Association to be held at Cornell University, May 31st. 

which may be made from time to time. We wish to make the course practical. Our first lesson consisted of about five thousand, five hundred names. The second lesson will write many personal letters to farmers' wives in answer to their 

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New York City.

My dear Mrs. J. H. Towne:

Dear Sirs:

I have received a copy of "Good Housekeeping" through the courtesy of a friend and if it is agreeable to you, we would like to be placed upon the exchange list, -- sending you the Farmers' Reading Course, Nature study bulletins and Women's Reading Course. 

I am greatly pleased with your magazine and hope that many wom- 

en, with increasing number of home keepers will have the benefit.

Very cordially,

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Miss A. M. Barrows

Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Barrows:

My dear Mr. Towne:

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My dear Miss Harrows:

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My dear Mr. Towne:

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Mrs. Abbie W. Towne
Topsfield, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Towne:

I am glad to hear that the Women's Reading Course is going on as I hoped it would. I received your letter today and am grateful for the interest shown in the course and your help in spreading the word. The supply of the first lesson is just about exhausted and copies cannot be furnished until a reprint is made. The second lesson on Home Sanitation is now in the hands of the printer. I am sorry that we have not advertised it in New England papers, however, we are very glad to have our friends outside of the state interested in the course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Towne

April 6, 1901.

Miss Jennie Hook
Fulton, Mo.

My dear Miss Hook:

I was interested in your letter regarding the lesson on Saving Steps. I like to hear women say as you have in your letter that they find pleasure in farm life. It certainly has its discouragements as all other experience has, but rural life affords pleasure which cannot be obtained elsewhere.

Thanking you for your kind letter and assuring you that it will be a pleasure to hear from you at any time, and that when it is not convenient, incidental work is more easily done and we appreciate it.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

Miss Hook
Mrs. George W. Hamilton  
- Fulton, N.Y.

Mrs. Katherine S. E. Dunn  
- Jamaica, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

Let me thank you for your very cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions which I have received. I am grateful to you for the information and the expression of your judgment regarding the Women's Reading Course. I am sorry that I am not to be there at the meeting to be held in Ithaca. I appreciate your interest in the work which we are trying to do at Cornell and assure you that your assistance will be greatly appreciated in suggestions which may be made from time to time. We wish to make the course practical. Our first lesson consisted of an edition of five thousand copies and we have on our mailing list about five thousand, five hundred names. The next lesson will be out in a few days. The correspondence regarding the work is exceedingly interesting as we write many personal letters to farmers' wives in answer to their letters which are cordial and in some cases pathetic. The work has a great deal of interest.

My dear Mrs. Dix:

Mrs. Agnes M. Dwyer, Salamanca, I am very glad to hear from you regarding the lesson on Saving Steps. The second lesson is still in the hands of the printer, but we expect it very soon and have the forty or fifty copies as soon as it is received. I am very grateful to you for sending the copies as soon as they are printed.

My dear Mrs. LeBrantz:

I assure you that I appreciate all suggestions which you have made. Let me thank you for your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and for your interest in the work which we are trying to do. Do not try to get out to see people when it is not convenient. Incidental work is more easily done and we appreciate it.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

April 6, 1901.
Mrs. George W. Hamilton
Mrs. Grange
Rayville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Hamilton:

Let me thank you for your very cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions which it contains. I think the subject which you mention is certainly worthy of attention and I am glad you have spoken of it. With a desire which you certainly have to be a skillful housekeeper there is no doubt but that you will make a success of it. I sincerely hope that you will find very great pleasure in your work. Should you wish to ask any questions or make suggestions regarding our course we shall be very glad to hear from you.

Thanking you for your interest and assistance, I am yours very cordially.

Apr. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Charles Dix
Kennedy, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dix:

Mrs. Agnes M. Dodd
Salamanka, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dodd:

I am very glad to hear from you regarding the lesson on Saving Steps. The second lesson is still in the hands of the printer, but we expect it very soon and will send to you twenty-five copies as soon as it is received. I am very grateful to you for your interest in this course and trust that the members of your Club will find it of interest.

If you have any suggestions which you would like to make, as I appreciate especially the interest of women so near my own home, I would greatly appreciate suggestions from the women of Salamanka. I am sure they would be greatly benefited thereby.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. E. M. Lott,
Mayville, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Lott:

I am very glad to receive your letter and to
be interested in the Women's Reading Course.

I am glad to receive your letter expressing an
interest in the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University. I
regret to say that the supply of the first lesson on Saving Steps is
exhausted, and until a reprint is made we cannot send the number that
you desire. I am very sorry this is true. As soon as the second
lesson arrives from the printer, thirty copies as per your request
will be sent to your address. Should you wish to send me the names
of the women, either in your Club or those interested, we will have
almost entirely within the state of New York. We have issued one
of them put on the mailing list. This will save you some trouble in
distribution as each one will receive a lesson direct.

Thanking you for your interest and assistance, I am,
The Farmers' Reading Course has been a part of the University Extention
at Cornell for five years and our parallel one with that. We are endeavoring to meet conditions in
will find it of interest.
the farm home and much of our work is done by personal correspond-
ence with farmers' wives. We find them interested and in many in-
stances free to express themselves. We shall endeavor more and

Mrs. Agnes M. Dowd
Salamana, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Dowd:

which is now in print in receipt of a list of names which you have
so kindly sent of the women in the Twenty-fifth Century Club, and these
names have been added to the mailing list. I want to thank you
sincerely for this assistance and assure you that it has been greatly
benefited by such lists, as we wish to reach the women who will be
interested in the lessons. I greatly appreciate suggestions
from the women of Salamanca and other workable and appreciative
suggestions. I am pleased to know of the interest, and will write you
your interest and hope you will tell us if we can give you any more
on the part of my friends from Cattarausage County.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,
My Dear Mrs. Terrance:

I am very glad to receive your letter and to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course.

The suggestion which you made for the use of pictures is a valuable one; though I do not know that any one has preempted the ground in this line of work, I have allowed it has escaped your attention, in your article.

I am very glad that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. This statement will not be possible to undertake work of the kind that you suggested Jan. 1st, 1901. We now have a mailing list of 55,000 women, and almost entirely within the state of New York. We have issued one lesson, a copy of which I send under separate cover together with some press notices which will give you some idea regarding the course.

The Farmers' Reading Course has been a part of the University Extension at Cornell for five years and the Women's Course is to be a parallel one with that. We are endeavoring to meet conditions in the farm home and much of our work is done by personal correspondence with farmers' wives. We find them interested and in many instances free to express themselves. We shall endeavor more and more to have them take a part in the work by writing letters which we can use as some are used in the lesson which I send you, and one which is now in print. I am sending you a complete set of the Farmers' Reading Course and of the Nature-Study Leaflets in order that you may gain some idea of the work which the Extension department is doing. I shall be glad to answer any questions which you may wish to ask.

In regard to your reference to the appropriation let me say that I am not informed in regard to that subject and think it as well not to have it discussed in the article. However, we appreciate your interest and hope you will write us if we can give you any more information.

Very cordially,

J. as?
My Dear Mr. Torrence:

Miss Anna Barrow
Boston, Mass.

I am very glad to receive your letter and to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course.

The suggestion which you made for the use of pictures is a valuable one; but it is not so easy to secure a large amount of culture into the home. At present the appropriation under which this department works is somewhat of an exhausted state; and until the next year's appropriation is received, it will not be possible to undertake work of the kind that you suggest. I am very glad that you have written, however, and shall advise you if I see any way to have this particular line of work done. I wish you would write me something of the expense. I do not know how valuable the pictures are, and the point of expense often determines these matters. It seems wise for you to take the trip.

I have placed your name upon the Reading Course and hope you will find it of interest.

Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Lyon:

Mrs. Floyd Ayres
Painted Post, N. Y.

Mrs. Chas. H. Lyon
Golden Bridge, N. Y.

I am very glad to have you coming to the Association, and am happy to see you. The work by such means is of much value to the women who have to wash dishes. It is so easy in this way of washing that it is a great help to the women.

The course of the Women's Reading Course, and I enclose a copy of the first lesson, and hope you will see it. The lessons are still exhausted, and until a reprint is made, it is not possible to send out copies. The second lesson will soon be mailed to you.

We should be glad to hear from you and hope that you will find the lessons of practical value.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Miss Anna Barrows
Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Barrows:

I think you and Mr. Spencer did arrange to exchange, but I thought probably it had escaped your attention, in your multitude of duties as the magazine has not arrived. I will determine whether you are on our mailing list and if not, will see that your name is placed there. Anything which you may add in the Kitch- en Magazine regarding the Women's Reading Course will help us greatly.

I will speak to Mrs. Morse regarding your coming to the assoc- iation at Cornell University, and if she is state chairman, I can suggest something as anything occurs to you regarding these lessons, or in other lines, which will make it seem wise for you to take the trip.

Very cordially,

Mr. H. R. McNair
Danville, N. Y.

Mrs. Evelyn E. Davison
Mrs. Floyd Ames N. Y.
Painted Post, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Davison:

I have placed your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course. There is no expense attending this, and I hope you will get from it a great deal of benefit. The edition of the first lesson is exhausted, and the second lesson is still in the hands of the printer. Women will receive the first lesson when a reprint is made, and the second lesson when it is received from the printer.

Very cordially,
Let me thank you for your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course. I am much interested in your recent letter and wish I might suggest a remedy for the condition which you mention. I like to read, but I am glad that you are so privileged. In regard to books, our reading ought to make our household tasks lighter and pleasanter. Those who desire to read much, no doubt, will greatly appreciate the lack of time afforded them, when the daily tasks are not so much. I believe that if he does that well, he will do other things with much more success. I have no doubt you are over-crowded in your work or it would not have the effect on you which you suggest. You certainly have a good line of reading and I am greatly pleased to know that you are putting aside your work occasionally for this reason. A change of occupation of this kind makes housework much pleasanter. It is a woman's duty to bring freshness and order into the home, and makes one's service to her family greater. Let me hear from you, please.

Very cordially,

Mr. H. R. McNair
Dansville, N. Y.

Mrs. Evelyn L. Davison
Hector, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am going to pass it on to the women who have to wash dishes. It interests me to know that you have already saved a half mile of travel in so short a time. In the course of a few years this will amount to a good many miles and I hope it means a great saving of strength for you.

The next lesson will be sent you in a short time, as soon as it is received from the printer.

Very cordially,

Mr. H. R. McNair
Dansville, N. Y.
Let me thank you for your letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions which it contains.

I like the idea of boy power and am glad that you are so privileged. A boy never loses anything by this mother's training in this line and sometime it will prove a great blessing to him. I commend him for helping his mother. He shows that he has good material in him, do not suppose that your readers will know that you have given entirely correct, your estimate of the editor of the Women's Reading Course, unless willing to say anything about my copies already sent.

I like your idea in regard to the reading question, and believe that a change of occupation of this kind makes housework much pleasanter and easier, and makes one's service to her family greater.

Let us hear from you again.

Very cordially,

I am,

[Signature]

Apr. 10, 1901.

Mr. H. R. McNair
Dansville, N. Y.

Mr. Oscar R. Baker
Daniel, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

You certainly have made a most unique suggestion and I am going to pass it on to the women who have to wash dishes. It interests me to know that the men are interested in this special feature of home work, and no telling how many people you have benefited by this suggestion. Anything done to relieve the women of the drudgery of life will be a blessing no doubt to them as well as to their families.

Thanking you for the suggestion, I am,

[Signature]

Apr. 9, 1901.
Mrs. Alice A. Schofield
Mr. W. W. Schofield, Utica, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. Schofield:
My dear Mr. Canfield:

I am very much pleased with the article which you printed in your excellent sheet last week. We are receiving requests for the Reading Course and I hope that you will not be too much confused by the request for the course, and do not suppose that you have given entirely correct, your estimate of the editor of the Women's Reading Course, but we will not say anything about the sale for beeswax at places where they manufacture foundation honey. I appreciate your letter of the 6th inst. and would be a great pleasure to me to attend the Extension department for home study and am not sure whether you desire the Women's Reading Course or the Home Nature Study. We should be glad to enroll your name on both these lists if you desire and to serve you in any way possible.

Very cordially,

Mr. Oscar M. Baker

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter I wish to say that I am informed that there is a sale for beeswax at places where they manufacture foundation honey. It is not our intention to send out but I am now informed that you have found the lessons very valuable. I should be glad to enroll your name on both these lists if you desire and to serve you in any way possible.
Mrs. Alice A. Schofield
Mrs. Springfleld, W. Y.

My dear Mrs. Schofield:

In reply to your letter I have placed your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest, and if at any time we can serve you, that you will write us. Suggestions regarding the course are always acceptable and appreciated. Should there be other women of your acquaintance who would be interested, we should be glad to place their names on our list.

I am wondering if with the work that you have to do in looking after your farm, you would not find it an advantage to be a member of the Women's Reading Course. Probably in securing good results from the farm and in directing your men, you would find the lessons of value. Should you desire, I will place your name upon the list.

Very Cordially,

Apr. 9, 1901.

My dear Miss Harris:

Miss Mabel Reed
Hanover, N. H.

I appreciate your letter of the 6th inst. and Dear Miss Reed: it would be a great pleasure to me to attend the meeting of the In reply to your letter of the 6th inst. I am not sure what it is you desire, but the state largely you wish for in your Club, and I am sure that you can offer us some suggestions to make the work of practical value. Very sincerely,
Mrs. W. E. Dingley
Thurston, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dingley:

I am very glad to place your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course and hope that you will find it of practical interest. I judge from your letter that you are interested in the improvement of worn out lands and I would suggest, unless you already have the Farmers' Reading Course, that you allow us to place your name upon the mailing list for that course also. I believe you will find it of practical value. I assure you that we would be glad to hear from you regarding any problems you may have, and Professor Craig who has charge of the Farmers' Reading Course no doubt would be glad to answer any questions you may ask regarding the restoration of your land.

I assure you that the edition of our first lesson is exhausted. Very cordially,

Apr. 9, 1901.

My dear Miss Harris:

I appreciate your letter of the 6th inst. and assure you that it would be a great pleasure to me to attend the meeting of the Farmers' Club of Niagara County. This Club has the reputation of doing unusually good work, and I judge from the press notices and the comments which have been made by those from this department who have visited the Club, that you have one to be proud of. I am not sure that I can bring any practical benefit to any one, but believe that it will be a most enjoyable thing to me to come to the meeting, and unless something unforeseen occurs, I will be there on Saturday, the 27th of April. I hope I may see you at that time.

Very sincerely,
Mrs. Fanny L. Sturges
Mrs. Mary A. H.
Mrs. Henry J. H.
Dear Mrs. Sturges:

My dear Mrs. Sturges: The Women's Reading Course is a part of the University Extension of Cornell University, and is provided for by state appropriation. It will, therefore, be limited, no doubt, to New York State women when the demand becomes very great from out of the state. Readers, until this becomes necessary, those who ask from out of the state, are welcome to the lessons as they are published.

When a change is made it will be arranged so that copies can be purchased from the printer, and you will be notified to that effect.

An soon as the second lesson is received from the printer, I should be glad to send to any of the names you give me, the lesson on Home Sanitation. I think I told you in a previous letter that the edition of our first lesson is exhausted.

I shall be glad to hear from you at Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mrs. J. H. Bourne
Mrs. T. Resseburg, Mass.
My dear Mrs. Bourne:

My dear Mrs. Bourne: I have placed your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course and am pleased to do so, although we have had to limit most of our publications to New York State. In a great need in any case, as much as they are provided by state appropriation. The Women's Course, however, is newly started and until the demand necessitates it, we shall not refuse out of state applications. I also trust that you will find the lessons of interest and practical value. Any suggestions will be received by us very gratefully.

Cordially yours,

[Signature]
Mrs. J. H. Kelly
Mrs. Mary Vanderlinck
Elk Creek, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. Kelly;

I am in receipt of a letter dated the 12th of April in which you have given me thanks for the services rendered the Women's Reading Society. I believe that you will find the woman of the farmer's wife is worthy of a place in the Women's Reading Course. I hope to see the farmer's wife in training for the work of the farm. I shall be glad to have more appreciation of her work. I am sure the Women's Reading Course can render assistance in this regard.

You certainly are doing a very interesting kind of reading, and I am sure that it will be greatly helpful to you. I am sure this will add greatly to your ability to meet difficulties as they come. She proves her worth in the home as a general assistant. Your service to the women of the farm is greatly appreciated. I shall be glad to hear from you at any time.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Apr. 12, 1901.

Mrs. Thomas Howley
Elk Creek, N. Y.
My dear Mrs. Howley;

I have placed your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course and want to assure you that it will be of great help to us. If you wish to send the names of other women who will be interested in the course and to receive suggestions regarding the work, the problems which may arise in your own experience, I shall be glad to hear from you at any time.

The practical housekeeper knows better than any one else the difficulties of practical housekeeping and how to meet them.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mr. J. W. Kelly
Mrs. W. A. Smith
West Eaton, N. Y.

My dear sir:

We are in receipt of your paper issued the 12th of April in which you have given space to the subject of the farmers' wives list in the Women's Reading Course and are grateful to you for the Reading Course. I want to say that this more than meets with our interest and the course taken in the course. It is our desire to make approval and affords us a great deal of satisfaction. Your reference it in practical value to all women interested in this line. This to my connection with it is a great help, and I don't propose to quar-

Farmers' wives represent a noble class of women who have so much to do with the truth of the statement, inasmuch as it cultive, at the same time are accomplishing more for the good of the world than better for me in reaching that ideal. These notices help us humanity than any women who are less isolated.

greatly because they come to the attention of the farmers. It is a state fund and we are very desirous of bringing help into the farm of other women who will be interested to have the course of Reading home as generally as possible. Will you please send a dozen copies of what we want to know is the experience of the women in the farm and together with bill for the same. We shall use them to advantage.

very glad to hear of the practical experience they are having.

Thanking you for the service you have rendered us, I am,

in order to make our work more beneficial and practical.

Very truly,

Very cordially,

Martha Van Renselaer

I want to thank you for the names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course, April 12, 1901.

Mrs. Chas. E. Bedell
Smithburg, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Bedell:

My dear Mrs. Bedell:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. I am glad to know that you are interested in the Reading Course. Our next lesson will soon be received from the printer, at which time it will be forwarded to you.

I should be glad to hear from you at any time regarding the use of the lessons.

Very cordially,

in the Orange and hope that you will be free to send suggestions.

Wishing you a great deal of success,

Very cordially,

Martha Van Renselaer
Apr. 13, 1901

Mrs. Hettie S. Walker
West Babylon, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Walker:

I am pleased to put your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course and am grateful to you for the interest you have taken in the course. It is our desire to make it of practical value to all women interested in this line. The farmer's wife represents a noble class of women who have many difficulties, at the same time are accomplishing more for the good of humanity than many women who are less isolated. We shall appreciate any suggestions which you will make, or names of other women who will be interested to have the Course of Reading. What we want to know is the experience of the women in the farm home and shall be glad to hear of the practical experience they are having, in order to make our work more beneficial and practical.

Very cordially,

Martha Jane Richardson

My dear Mrs. Lawrence:

I want to thank you for the names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. April 12, 1901. Help to Mrs. Helen Dunham's is what we want to reach as many of the women of the Brocton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunham: In order to make the course of practical benefit, I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. This is assistance in the practical questions which are presented to a woman from day which is exceedingly valuable to us as we feel that women in the Grange are thoroughly interested in the home problems. I should be very glad to hear from you at any time regarding the use of the lessons in the Grange and hope that you will be free to send suggestions.

Wishing you a great deal of success, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

April 12, 1901.
April 20, 1901.

Mrs. Ethel R. Ketchum, Hamilton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Ketchum:

I am very glad to receive your letter in regard to the Women's Reading Course, and appreciate the suggestions which you have made.

I shall find it very convenient to be with you at that time. If I am not sure that the reason you are so busy is from lack of method, because it seems that a woman's work in the home is never done. However, I believe she owes it to herself to take time for rest, recreation and self-improvement in order to make the days happier and more valuable to other people.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Ida M. Blair

April 20, 1901.

Mrs. Ketchum was very cordial in sending the names, if you wish, of other Hamilton, N. Y. women who will be interested in the course.

My dear Mrs. Lawrence:

I want you to thank you for the names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. It is a great help to receive these names, as we want to reach as many of the women of the state as possible. In order to make the course of practical benefit, I am very grateful to any who write us regarding it, and regarding the practical questions which are presented to a woman from day to day in her home, I am glad to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course, and regret that you have been ill of late.

The second lesson will soon be received. The next lesson will be mailed to you as soon as it is received.

Very cordially,

Miss Ada M. Blair
Mrs. H. H. Neuman
Mrs. W. H. Neuman, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Arnold:

I am very glad to receive your letter in regard to the Women's Reading Course, and appreciate the suggestions which you have made.

I am not sure that the reason you are so busy is from lack of method, because it seems that a woman's work in the home is never done. However I believe she owes it to herself to take time for rest, recreation and self-improvement in order to make the days happier and more valuable to others. I certainly hope you will receive help from the Reading Course, and assure you that your letter lends me much encouragement. We want to make the course practical, and can only do so by becoming acquainted with the farmers' wives and families, and I hope that you will feel free to write me at any time.

You are at liberty to send the names, if you wish, of other women who will be interested in the course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. H. Neuman
Apr. 20, 1901.

Mrs. Ida M. Blair
Phelps, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Blair:

I am glad to know that you have been ill of late. The next lesson will soon be received from the printer, and we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and to receive your letters of encouragement.

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. H. Neuman
Apr. 20, 1901.
April 20, 1901

Mrs. B. E. Keating
New York, N. Y.

Mrs. Caroline Jenkins
Bradford, Pa., Y.

My Dear Mrs. Jenkins:

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest which you have given.

The subject of cooking and eating in the home is of very practical interest, and one which we are to consider later in the course.

We only could learn to economize health and strength instead of giving all the energy to the details of housework. We should certainly gain in the long run. I have placed your name on the mailing list.

I hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest, and that we may hear from you from time to time.

Apr. 20, 1901.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Alice E. Miller
Bath, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter re: the Women's Reading Course, and for the suggestions which you have given.

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest. Unfortunately our first lesson is out of print, but the second one is being done and will be received from the printer, and will be mailed you.

I shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and to receive suggestions regarding the work, and to know as much as possible of your own work and household perplexities.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mabel Van Rensselaer

April 20, 1901.
Mrs. E. E. Keininger  
New, Ohio  
Mr. Mary A. Nadyka  
New Vienna, N. Y.  
I have placed your name upon the mailing list.

My Dear Mrs. Nadyka:  
A reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest. I want to thank you for your cordial letter in regard to the Women's Reading Course. The next lesson will soon be received from the printer and will be mailed you, although the appropriate number of subscriptions does not yet appear. If you will continue to keep your name on the mailing list for the next term, you will find the lessons of practical interest. It is pleasant to know that you are doing some practical work. The reading Course is well received by the older women, and is becoming increasingly popular among the younger women. The press has given the Course attention, and we shall be glad to hear from you at any time and to receive the names of any you wish to have placed on the mailing list.

I hope if you go to Europe you will have a most enjoyable time, and will keep well. Remember when you come near us that we want you to stop off.

Mrs. Alice E. Miller  
Bethel, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course, and for the suggestions which you have made in regard to the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest. I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest. Unfortunately, our first lesson is not yet of print, but the second will be ready to mail very soon. There is as yet no charge to women from out of the state, although the appropriation is given by the state, and the time may come when we shall have to limit it. Trusting you will find the lessons of practical interest, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

My Dear Mrs. Sawyer:

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of practical interest. I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. E. F. Keintsner
Ney, Ohio
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Mr. Moore

Hey, Ohio

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Very cordially,

Mrs. Alice E. Miller
Bath, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course, and for the suggestions which your letter contains.

You certainly are doing some valuable reading, and I trust that you find in it much that relieves the monotony of housework, and makes every day living more enjoyable. I think reading of this nature has a tendency to make our practical living poetical, and I find that farmers' wives are doing very intelligent reading so far as they can find the time to do it.

We are always glad to hear from you. These leaflets within New York state. Until the demand is greater, however, we shall be able to send to those who have sent in their names from other states.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Mrs. W. C. White
Home, N. Y.

Mr. W. H. Brown
Chicago, Ill.

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons practical and suitable to your needs.

My Dear Cousin:

Your very kind letter is received. It is pleasant to know that you are so much interested in the Reading Course and are glad to send the Leaflets to the persons whom you suggested in your letter, and have put Mr. Hunger on the Farmers' Reading Course as well.

I am glad to know about the "Galveston News" and am writing them for a copy of the paper. The press has given the Course attention which is very helpful to us.

I hope if you go to Europe, you will have a most enjoyable time, and will keep well. Remember when you come near us that we want you to stop off.

My mother has not been with me this year, but is at our home at Randolph.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. W. W. Wilson
Finleyville, Pa.

I am glad to place your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. Our first edition of saving steps is exhausted, and until we have a reprint I shall not be able to send a copy. Home Sanitation, however, will reach you in a few days.

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and also the names of others whom you suggested. We do not aim to send many lessons out of this state as the appropriation is made for the use of these Leaflets within New York state. Until the demand is greater, however, we shall be able to send to those who have sent in their names from other states.

Very cordially,
May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Wm. C. White
Homeoey, N. Y.
My Dear Mrs. White:

I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons practical and suitable to your needs.

We shall be glad to hear from you regarding the work and am sure that your suggestions will be beneficial to the Course. Should you wish to send other names of women who will be interested, we will gladly place them upon the mailing list.

Very cordially,

[signature]

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Very cordially,

[signature]
May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Frank Campbell
Wallsburg, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Campbell:

Miss Katie Chapman
Barbierville, N. Y.

I am glad to place your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course, and advise you that the second lesson will soon reach you.

I hope you will write us if we can aid you in any way, and we shall be glad to receive your suggestions and the names of any whom you may wish to have placed upon the Reading Course.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,

May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Fanny D. Storrs
Lyons, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Storrs:

Utica, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Amos:

I trust that these you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. I hope that you will be interested in what we have to send out, and I assure you that any suggestions which you will send will be sent in a very few days.

The second lesson will be sent in a very few days.

Very cordially,

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May 1, 1901.

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Very cordially,

May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Fanny D. Storrs
Lyme, N. H.

My Dear Mrs. Storrs :

Let me thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. I trust that these women will be interested in what we have to send out, and I assure you that any suggestions which you will make will be very welcome to us, and we shall be glad to receive names of any other women who would be interested in the Course.

Very cordially.

May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Sara C. Amos
Utica, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Amos :

I want to thank you for your kind assistance in making this possible, and I want to assure you that any suggestions which you will make will be very welcome to us, and we shall be glad to receive names of any other women who would be interested in the Course.

Very cordially.
May 1, 1901.

Miss Katie Chapman
Marlville, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Chapman:

I am very glad to place your name and that of your sister upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find the lessons of great interest. We shall be glad to receive suggestions from you at any time, and the names of other women who may be interested in the Course.

Very cordially,

Miss Sara C. Ames
238 Mary St.
Utica, N. Y.

May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Sara C. Amos
238 Mary St.
Utica, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Amos:

I am pleased to place your name and that of Mrs. Cline upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course. I hope that you will be interested in the lessons, and assure you that any suggestions which you will make will be valuable to us, and we shall be glad to receive names of any other women who would be interested in the Course.

Very cordially,
May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Adelaide Hoyt
Tompkins, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Hoyt:

I am sorry that our lesson called "Saving Steps" is out of print. Our second lesson will soon be received from the printer, and your name has been placed on the mailing list. When it will be sent you, we have a reprint of Saving Steps. It will be sent you, and I want to assure you of our appreciation of this list of women, as we are endeavoring to reach those who are interested in this kind of work, and whenever names are sent in it aids us in reaching those whom we wish to reach. I am pleased to send you another in your interest in desire.

I recall a conversation with you at Whitechapel, and wonder that I did not at that time tell you what I was doing in those. I congratulate you upon the work you are doing outside of the school. You certainly are helping your school interests and making a broader field for usefulness for yourself than if you confined your attention to the actual school work.

I shall be glad to hear from you soon. Very cordially,

Mrs. James Burger
New Hudson, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Burger:

I am sorry that we have not been able to send you Lesson No. 2, but we are awaiting anxiously the arrival of this lesson from the printer's and am sure that it cannot be delayed much longer. It will probably reach you before many days.

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent. This assistance is very gratefully appreciated by us.

Very cordially,

May 7, 1901.
May 1, 1901.

Mrs. Adelaide Hoyt
Ionia, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Hoyt:

I am sorry that our lesson called "Saving Steps" is out of print. Our second lesson will soon be received from the printer, and your name has been placed on the mailing list. When we have a reprint of "Saving Steps" it will be sent you.

I want to assure you of our appreciation of this list of women, as we are endeavoring to reach those who are interested in this kind of work, and whenever names are sent in it aids us in reaching those whom we consider as the right and wise kind of reading, and I am pleased that you have an interest in it.

These things as it will brighten the hard work which you have before you. I recall a conversation with you at Whitehorse, and wonder that I did not, at that time, tell you what I was doing in Ithaca.

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Very cordially,

Your's cordially,
May 7, 1901.

Mrs. Florence M. Armstrong
DeGrasse, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. DeGrasse:

Let me thank you for your letter in regard to the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions which it contains. You certainly have a great many steps to take and more than adequate courage to take them. In a request some weeks ago for use in the Club Miss Granger (of which I have to take the steps which would be taken by your husband if he were in health). The best part of your letter.

My Dear Miss Stebbins: Shown your Club or Orange, as their names seem to me to be in your determination to look on the bright side.

In reply to your letter I am placing the names well be placed upon these difficulties for one moment to become despondent, but there is of the women in your Mothers' Club upon our Reading list, and I want so much that is beautiful in life and in nature that we must keep to assure you of our appreciation of this list of women, as we are our eyes fixed upon these rather than give any attention to the disendeavoring to reach those who are interested in this kind of work, congratulations which seem to crowd themselves upon us. You have a and whenever names are sent in it aids us in reaching those whom we good line of reading, and I am pleased that you take an interest in desire.

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I recall a conversation with you at Whitesboro, and wonder that you. The woman on the farm brings a large amount of intelligence I did not, at that time, tell you what I was doing in Ithaca to her work and deserves an immense amount of credit for her success.

I congratulate you upon the work you are doing outside of the I will send you anything upon the raising of celery that I may school. You certainly are helping your school interests and making a broader field for usefulness for yourself than if you confined your attention to the actual school work. Very cordially,

Mr. J. J. Barnes

I shall be glad to hear from the women whose names you have sent, and whenever difficulties arise they will receive our careful attention and interest.

please send me a copy of the bulletin which you have Mrs. D. A. Wilcox

I hope to meet you again, and possibly sometime may see you in Ithaca, though I do not spend my summers here.

One of the Women's Reading Course, and am glad to do so until such time that we have to limit our publications, or our list of members. When the demand becomes too great from outside, we shall be obliged to do this. The course is provided by state legislation and we do not aim to do much work outside of the state.

Yours cordially,
May 7, 1901.

Mrs. Florence M. Armstrong
Degrassie, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Degrassie:

Let me thank you for your letter in regard to the Women's Reading Course and for the suggestions which it contains. You certainly have a great many steps to take and more than most women, in that you have to take the steps which would be taken by your husband if he were in health. The best part of your letter seems to me to be in your determination to look on the bright side.

We cannot for one moment afford to become despondent, but there is so much that is beautiful in life and in nature that we must keep our eyes fixed upon these rather than give any attention to the discouragements which seem to crowd themselves upon us. You have a good line of reading, and I am pleased that you take an interest in these things as it will brighten the hard work which you have before you. The woman on the farm brings a large amount of intelligence to her work and deserves an immense amount of credit for her success.

I will send you anything upon the raising of celery that I may be able to find in this department.

Very cordially,

May 7, 1901.

Mr. J. J. Burns
Da Grave, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Will you please send me a copy of a bulletin which you have published upon the Reading Course. I shall find it of value in my work in Teacher's Institute. I have placed your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course, and am glad to do so until such time that we have in limit our publications to women of New York state. When the demand becomes too great from outside, we shall be obliged to do this. The course is provided by state legislation and we do not aim to do much work outside of the state.

Yours cordially,

[Signature]
May 7, 1901.

Mr. J. J. Burns
De France, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Will you please send me a copy of a bulletin which you have published Teachers' Reading Course. I shall find it of value in my work in Teacher Institutes, and with the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University.

I send you under separate cover, copy of our last lesson for the Women's Reading Course.

Thanking you for the bulletin, I am,

Very truly,

May 7, 1901.

Dear Friend:

I have been informed that you have given space to the
I am sending you several copies of the lesson on Home
Women's Reading Course of Cornell University, and I should consider
Sanitation as per your request of some weeks ago for use in the Club
in favor if you will send me a copy of the issue containing this
to which you belong. It will simplify matters should you send me a
notice. We are very grateful for attention from the press, as in
list of the names of members of your Club or Grange, as their names
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Mr. J. J. Burns
De France, Ohio
May 7, 1901.

Mrs. Clara Higginson
Publishers of "Galveston News"
Galveston, Texas

My Dear Mrs. Higginson:

I have been informed that you have given space to the Hom. Women's Reading Course of Cornell University, and I should consider it a favor if you will send me a copy of the issue containing this notice. We are very grateful for attention from the press, as in this way we can reach the farmers and their families in Cattaraugus county, and she told me you were much interested in photography. I am wondering if you will send me some views of farm buildings illustrating farm life. I shall be glad to get interior and exterior views both. I also want views of school buildings showing dilapidation as well as good construction and care. These pictures will be used in illustrating our bulletins and lessons sent out by the Extension department of Cornell University.

Mrs. Frank Lockwood and I abomine the use of lessons published, in order that you may make lessons written in the key of illustration we use. My special line of work is the farm home; would you be willing to have the photographer take a picture of the dairy in your kitchen and of anything else which you may have which shows convenience in housework? If this meets with your approval, will you ask the photographer to come there when it is convenient for you? Whatever expense is incurred, I will gladly pay. I expect to be home after the first week in June for a time, but I really want to use the pictures before then. I shall greatly appreciate your assistance. They are to be used in publication, and the photographer will know about what is needed.

Hoping that this will not cause you great inconvenience, I am, upon our mailing list. I find the work very interesting.

Most cordially,

May 14, 1901.

Mrs. Frank Lockwood

Kost cordially,

May 14, 1901.
My Dear Mrs. Eigembrandt,

Dear Sir: I have pleased to assume that if you will send photographs of your kitchen, we can make drawings that I can make good as handier than he would be either in a connection with the writing campaign mentioned in my former letter. I am very interested in photography and knowing if you cannot send me some views of farm buildings illustrating farm life. I shall be glad to get interior and exterior views both. I also want views of school building showing dilapidation as well as good construction and care. These pictures will be used in illustrating our building and lessons sent out by the Extension department of Cornell University, and I send you copies of lessons published, in order that you may see something of the kind of illustration we use. My special line of work is the farm home, and I am looking for household convenience illustrated, as well as good and bad sanitary conditions. I like to show both. We shall be very glad to pay for these pictures, and shall greatly appreciate anything which you can send us.

Very truly,

May 14, 1901.

Dr. Joseph C. Young sent me any views of farm houses showing bad conditions. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalos, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in Buffalo, and would have to put the same in Buffalo. If you will send me any views of farm houses showing good conditions, I shall be very glad to have them, and would like to put the same in

May 14, 1901.

Very truly,
Mrs. Clara Eigenbrodt
Elizabethtown, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Eigenbrodt:

Dear Sir: I have pleasure in assuring the head of the Extension service that I can make good use of them. I presume it if Mr. Gilman knew that something of the nearest kind was wanted, he would take the pictures. You can give direction to the matter and secure for me when I need better than he would be able to judge. I want anything showing convenient and doing work, and if you can make drawings for me in addition to the photographs, I shall be very glad to get them. Whatever expense is incurred I shall be glad to meet. This would be used for publication, and you will understand about what it should be. I expect to be home during a part of June, but would really like the work before I come if it can be secured.

Very truly,

[Signature]

May 14, 1901

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

May 14, 1901

Mr. Casillus Cornell
Randolph, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you ten copies of Home Sanitation and some cards upon which may be written the names of farmers' wives whom you would like to have these lessons sent to. I am pleased to know that you are interested in this subject and have placed your name upon our mailing list. I find the work exceedingly interesting, and we now have a mailing list of nearly six thousand women in the state of New York.

Very truly,

[Signature]
Mr. C. M. Parker  
Mr. Cassius Cornell  
Mr. C. M. Parker  
Mr. Cassius Cornell  

May 14, 1901  

Dear Sir:

I shall be glad to come to you sometime between the 5th and 15th of June, if possible. The 7th and 8th I shall attend the W. N. Y. Federation meeting in Buffalo, and would have to put the views as well. I have been looking for a picture of a farm home as described in the first part of the lesson which I sent you recently. For as I know it will be satisfactory to me to have the meeting in the evening and I will do the best I can for you.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Very truly,

[Signature]
May 14, 1901.

Mr. W. B. F. Mason
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Mason:

I have received a copy of the Niagara Falls
May 14, 1901.

Perry Mason Co., I have your letter regarding the work of Home Economics and am glad that you are interested in the subject. I am very much obliged to you for a copy of physical culture written by you and in connection with the Extension department of Cornell University we are giving some attention to the rural schools in New York State, hoping, because of our connection with farmers and their families, to be able to secure improvements in rural school property.

I send you copies of lessons issued by this department and have placed your name upon the mailing list. I am also interested in the subject from the standpoint of an instructor in the State Teachers' Institutes; you have met with great pleasure the work you are doing for rural schools.

A letter from you under date of May 20th addressed to President Schuman was brought to my attention. It you mentioned leaflets which you sent, and I wish to advise you that we have not been received.

Mrs. J. C. Robie confined our attention to the effort to create Bath, N. Y., an interest in beautifying the school grounds, when we have spoken before the Teachers' Institutes and Farmers' meetings. We want to have Mr. W. B. F. Mason's attention to the Editor of the work which you are doing for the reading public on the meeting into the next week. You may select the date and time. So far as I know it will be satisfactory to me to have the meeting in the evening and I will do the best I can for you.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
May 14, 1901.

Mr. Wm. *., Schultz
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Schultz:

May 14, 1901.

Perry Mason Co.,
Johnstown, N. Y., you have given an excellent report of the meeting

Dear Sirs: Wilson,

I want to thank you for the very courteous treatment

which I received in connection with the Extension department of Cornell University. We are giving some attention to the rural schools in New York State, hoping by reason of our connection with farmers and their families to be able to secure improvements in rural school property. I am also interested in the subject from the standpoint of an instructor in the State Teachers' Institutes. You have noticed with deal great pleasure the work you are doing for rural schools.

A letter from you under date of Apr. 16th addressed to President Schurman was brought to my attention. In it you mentioned leaflets which you sent, and I wish to advise you that the leaflets have not been received.

We thus far have confined our attention to the effort to create an interest in beautifying the school grounds, when we have spoken before the Teachers' Institutes and Farmers' meetings. We want to secure pictures of buildings showing dilapidation as well as improvements. We would be glad to receive your circulars, and to be benefited by the work which you are doing.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
May 14, 1901.
Mr. W. E. Canfield
Utica, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Canfield:

Thanking you for your encouraging letter, and assuring you that I want to thank you for the Reading notice on the last lesson entitled Home Sanitation. You have given us an excellent notice of the lesson and it has been appreciated if you can send me fifteen copies of the issue containing that notice, please do so. This is a very important lesson, and by addition of any difficulties which you meet, with bill for the same, and suggestions as to the best way to overcome them.

Yours very truly,

Very cordially.
May 24, 1901.

Mrs. W. S. Thrasher
Dayton, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Thrasher:

May 24, 1901.

I am very glad to receive your letter, and assure you that we will be very glad to secure the pictures which Mrs. H. E. Kuck, Waterport, N. Y. expect to pay for pictures which we use. You will kindly send me the cost of them. These scenes will certainly be a help in our work.

May 24, 1901.

I am very glad to receive your letter and to know of your interest in the Reading Course. You certainly have made a brave effort to keep your family together and to manage the farm, because the responsibility in both lines of work is so great that a woman needs the help which a husband can give. It is so hard to get help that will make your interests theirs. I wish we might be able to help you, and I have placed your name upon the Farmers’ Reading Course, thinking possibly some of the lessons may aid you. Should there be any questions which you want to ask about the farm, you can write to Prof. John Craig who has charge of the Farmers’ Reading Course. It will give him great pleasure to give you advice upon these subjects. I have placed Mrs. Beckwith’s name upon the list, and thank you for it. Upon re-reading your letter I find that you have the Farmers’ Reading Course, but I will see that some of the fruit bulletins are sent you.

Thanking you for your encouraging letter, and assuring you that I shall be glad to hear from you at any time. I am,

Yours very cordially,

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May 24, 1901.

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I will go to the registrars office and secure what printing matter I can in connection with the manual training at Cornell. Should there be anything special which you wish to inquire about and I can get the information for you, I assure you I shall be glad to do it.

I shall be in Ithaca until May 31st, and after that time my address will be Randolph during the summer months.

Thanking you for your cordial letter and interests, I am,

Very sincerely;

Mrs. G. H. Case
Westfield, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Case:

Elegant chafing-dish concoctions are a good pastime, but when I want to thank you for the names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course in a letter to Mr. Spencer. We are very glad to get the names and hope to make the lessons of practical interest. We shall be glad to receive suggestions along this line at any time, and to know of any difficulties which you meet, and suggestions as to the best way to overcome them.

Yours cordially;

Very cordially,
May 24, 1901.

My Dear Miss Chown,

I am pleased to place your request in writing.

My Dear Mrs. Bowman,

I regret that I cannot attend a meeting of the Federation Council in Harvard June 6th. I cannot be with you on that date.

Mrs. Luette N. Bowman
Mrs. J. Bowman
Westboro, Mass.

My Dear Mrs. Bowman:

Let me thank you for your very cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course and for the valuable suggestions which you have made. I am pleased with what you say in regard to the comparison of life in a boarding house and on a farm. I spend so much time at hotels and boarding houses that it strikes a very sympathetic chord, and I often long for bread and milk and baked apples, and if I lived in your neighborhood I should come around and at least look at your two hundred jars of fruit. You must be a busy woman for I know by experience that four hundred chickens are enough to keep a woman more than busy; for my chickens never show very much intelligence. The hens set on the wrong nest just often enough to let the eggs cool and prevent the chickens from hatching. However, it is a very pleasant occupation and many a woman has made a success in the work. I also sympathize with your ideas regarding reports from cooking schools. Elegant chafing-dish concoctions are a good pastime, but when it comes to living I like my mother's apple pies and brown bread.

I am very glad you have written and I hope to hear from you again. Such letters give us inspiration for the work we are trying to do, and we want above all to make the work helpful and practical.

Yours cordially,

[Signature]

Miss A. N. Chown
139 Brock St.
Kingston, Canada.
May 24, 1901.

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187 Brock St.
Kingston, Canada.

My Dear Miss Chown:

I am pleased to place your request for a mailing

May 24, 1901.

My Dear Miss Barrows:

Handing Course of Cornell University, and to

Mrs. J. C. Robie
Bath, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Robie:

In reply to your letter, let me say that I am

May 24, 1901.

disabled to attend a meeting of the Federation Council in Buffalo

June 6th and cannot be with you on that date. I will however, come

on the 14th of June, and will ask you to advise me as to the line of

work which you would prefer to have me take up at the meeting. I

suppose you would want me to touch upon cooperation of teachers and

parents for the good of the child. As this will come under the de-

partment of University Extension, I shall want to make a plea here

for the work of nature study and home interests, but I shall be

pleased to have you suggest anything which you would like to have me
give in addition. In one letter you suggested that the meeting be

in the evening, and unless I hear from you to the contrary, I will

depend upon Friday evening, June 14th. Should you prefer to have an

afternoon date it will please me just as well.

Yours cordially,

May 24, 1901.

I was very sorry to know that

are off your hands now probably by this time. You are doing good work and I ought to have written you before

I may use the blue pencil, but of course you will be given in case the

mistakes pencilled out turn out to be hers! Reading Service and re-

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as I ought, but perhaps I shall have more time now. You will hear

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Very truly,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

[Handwritten Note]
Dear Miss Chown:

May 24, 1901.

I am pleased to place your name upon the mailing list of the Barrows Reading Course of Cornell University, and to send you the two books referred to in your letter. Let me say that our edition of Saving-Steps is exhausted and will not be reprinted until next year. I regret that this is the case, because it would give me great pleasure to have you use any number that you could, and I should also like to have them used in class at Chautauqua. I send you twenty-five copies of Home Sanitation and will carry more to Chautauqua, so that you will not have to transport them.

I have written to Miss Chown in answer to a letter received from her. I will see if I can get for you the electros which you have mentioned. I certainly would be glad to have you use them, but until I confer with some members of this department, I do not know what the rule is regarding this, or whether they are available. I will give it immediate attention.

I am sorry you are not to be at Lake Placid. I am anticipating much at the meeting there. I shall see you at Chautauqua and probably we shall both be as busy as bees, judging from last year's experience.

I was very sorry to know that you had had the measles, but they are off your hands now probably never to return again.

You are doing good work and I ought to have written you before.

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Very sincerely,

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May 24, 1901.

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Very sincerely,
May 24, 1901.

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187 Brock St.,
Kingston, Canada.

My Dear Miss Chown:

I am pleased to place your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University, and to send you the two lessons already issued. You will note that we have not done a large amount of printing this year, but hope that we may be able to issue lessons next year in larger numbers. I have also placed the names of the other officers of your association upon the mailing list and assure you that we shall be pleased at all times to know of the work done by your association, and shall be glad to extend any courtesies that are possible from this department.

Very truly,
Very sincerely,
May 24, 1901.

Miss Gail H. Craft
Angelica, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Craft:

My dear Mrs. Jones: In reply to your letter I wish I might aid you in securing for Mr. Ogden the space which he desires for his work. It would be a good feature for Nature-study or manual training. I will enclose before I send the letter, if I can find it, a list of names of women who are in the women's department at the Pan-American. They would probably refer the matter to the proper persons if they cannot give it attention. Dr. Redway is an excellent judge of these matters and I value his opinion. Someone who knows people of influence in Buffalo and who know Mr. Ogden and have seen his work could do more than others who have not had the opportunity to see the work. However, if there was anything that I could do, I should be glad to aid him.

Very truly,

May 29th, 1901.

Mr. John S. Bixel, School Commissioner,
Malone, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Bixel:

I enclose herewith the names of teachers who asked for to our cooking altogether too much. If we could have the handled the nature-study literature and the Farmers' Reading Course and egg, beef, steak and roast beef we would not need so much meat as we seem lected to give their post office. If you can send me a post office address we shall be glad to place their names upon the reading list. It is better to have some good meat of a truly nourishing nature with

Thanking you I am more vegetables than the sort which is often put upon the farm table.

Very truly,
We are glad to have you ask these questions and hope to hear from you again.

May 28th, 1903.

Mrs. William L. Jenne,
Bowlerv, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Jenne:

May 29th, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Jenne:

Edgartown, Mass.

I want to thank you for your cordial letter and assure you that I am pleased to know that you are finding interest in the Reading Course.

The suggestion which you have made regarding the place and hence to decide what we can do another year as planning mittens is one of value, and one which I have not seen before. I shall use it for the benefit of others who will be glad to have that difficulty taken care of.

Your suggestion in regard to a lesson on the preparation of meals will receive attention probably next year. It is one which interests us all and I am glad to know that a lesson of that kind will be welcome. In reply to your question regarding the vegetable table and meat diet let me say that individuals differ so much in their demands that it is difficult to make a rule which would be supported by state appropriation and we cannot expect to make it general and healthful to all. The occupation also makes a difference and the fact that vegetables can be supplied on a farm so readily can only thing to do is to keep the matter in mind and in mind of the one who has charge. I send you a copy of the second grade lesson.

A balanced ration is probably to be preferred, but we are liable to use too much of the carbohydrate foods, and at enter into our cooking altogether too much. If we could have the broiled beef steak and roast beef we would not need so much meat as we seem to in the use of substitutes which come into the farm life so much. I appreciate your thoughtful note.

It is better to have some good meat of a truly nourishing nature with more vegetables than the sort which is often put upon the farm table.

Very sincerely,

[signature]
May 29th, 1907.

Mrs. Hawley Brad, 
Evanston, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Brad:

Very cordially,

Let me thank you for your cordial letter and for the suggestions which it contains. You have had an interesting experience and a great deal of hard work. In fact I wish that all of the young women have a hard time with the comfortable surroundings which were lacking in your early experience, could have developed within them the capacity of making the best of every opportunity and making your homes both beautiful and comfortable.

Mrs. Mary H. Torrance
Edgartown, Mass.

My Dear Mrs. Torrance:

Your letter indicates your usual generosity, and I am sure your offer has our appreciation. It is a little early to decide what we can do another year as plans are not yet made for the work. The use of good pictures in the home is very important, and I am sure that any women who have the benefit of the pictures which you mention will be the happier and more useful in their routine of household duties. I will give the matter careful attention and thought, and if we can utilize this feature I am sure I shall be glad to write you. The difficulty would always arise that anything which went out from this department must be free of charge, because it is supported by state appropriation and we cannot expect you to give your time to work of this kind for nothing. However, the only thing to do is to keep the matter in mind and utilize the plan if possible. I send you a copy of the second lesson manual enclosed.

May 29, 1907.

Taylorville, Ill.

My Dear Sir:

I have placed upon the mailing list, and assure you that I shall appreciate your placing my name upon the mailing list.

Very sincerely,

Very truly,

[Signature]
May 29th, 1901.

Dear Mrs. Swan:

I am pleased to receive your recent communication and thank you for your interest in the Women's Reading Course. I have placed your name upon the mailing list and assure you that the leaflets will be sent to you. They impress us as being very valuable for school work.

This department is greatly in favor of introducing agricultural topics into the school course, and we are pleased to note the advancement made in your state. I shall appreciate your placing my name upon the mailing list.

Very truly,

[Signature]

Mrs. C. D. Woodworth
Bridgewater, N. Y.
May 29th, 1901.

Mrs. C. D. Woodworth
Bridgewater, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Woodworth:

I am glad to hear from you at any time. Very cordially. May 28, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Woodworth:

I am pleased to receive your recent communication, and to know of your interest in the Women's Reading Course. Very cordially, May 28, 1901.

Mrs. C. D. Woodworth

Very cordially,

Mrs. William's name upon the list, and assure you that we are glad to receive names of women who are interested in this line of work.

I have placed Mrs. William's name upon the list and will give her attention given to the work of the Reading Course. The work which you have done for us in this line has the appreciation of this department.
June 3, 1901.

Dear Mrs. Corwin:

I want to thank you for your recent letter and assure you that I am interested in your work and your efforts to make a comfortable and happy home. I know that you will certainly have a great deal to overcome and I wish I knew how we might be of assistance to you. You may not be able to do all of the heavy work before you, but more important things may be done in the midst of conditions which are trying.

To keep the yard clean and the house in order are more important things but after all that is only for our passing comfort and pleasure, while a cheerful spirit and an ability to overcome difficulties reach deeply into the life, effecting others as well as ourselves, and no doubt have an infinite value.

Please be free to write at any time and let us know wherein we can help you. I am very glad to know that you are finding pleasure in the Reading Course. Lessons practical, and one of the things we most desire is to become acquainted with our readers—believing that they can aid us greatly by their experience.

We should be glad to hear from you at any time.

Very cordially,

May 28, 1901.

Mr. W. W. Canfield
Mrs. H. W. Johnson
Utica, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Canfield:

Dear Sir:

Upon my return I found the copies of the Observer, and wish to thank you for them. The notice by satisfac-
tory to us, and we are pleased to have such attention given to the

Reading Course. The work which you have done for us in this line
has the appreciation of this department, and congratulates you
upon this work.

Very cordially,

May 28, 1901.

Martha Van Deusen.
Mrs. E. J. Greene,
LaFargeville, N.Y.

June 3, 1913.

My dear Mrs. Greene:

Let me thank you for your cordial letter. I am glad to know that you are interested in the Reading Course.

Your experience has led you to have a wide knowledge of practical home life, and we shall be glad to hear from you at any time in regard to the lessons or problems which are presented, in your household experience. Should you have friends whose names you would like to have placed on the mailing list, please send them and it will give us pleasure to add them to the list.

I am wondering whether or not you have published any of your household experience. If you have, or if you notice anything which is not so, I am sure you will confer a great favor by adding your name to the mailing list. It is not intended to be technical, but it is a study you will find very practical.

Very cordially,

Mabel Putnam,

May 28, 1901.

Mrs. Emma Williams
Varina, Va.

My dear Mrs. Williams:

I want to thank you for the books which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. I am very glad to know that you are finding value in the lessons. We try to make the lessons practical, and one of the things we most desire is to become acquainted with our readers—believing that they can aid us greatly by their experience.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time.

Very cordially,

Mabel Putnam

Mrs. E. J. Jones

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you for your letter giving the names of farmers who are interested in the Women's Reading Course. Help of this kind is greatly appreciated by this department. Although I am not a judge of the value of nature study books, I am pleased with the appearance of both of these books, and congratulate you upon this work.

Very cordially,

Mabel Putnam

Mrs. H. B. Jones

Mr. F. F. Johnson

Dear Mrs. Jones:

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Very cordially,

Mabel Putnam
June 3, 1901.

Mr. Chas. F. Ringate
My Dear Sir:

My Dear Sir:

I asked the registrar to send you a copy of the lesson on Saving Steps. I am wondering whether you have received the lesson on Home Sanitation and send your copy. As I am sorry I had to tell you that there is an exhausted edition of the lesson on Saving Steps, but the edition is now almost exhausted and we are obliged to wait until fall before reprinting. I am wondering whether as a sanitary engineer you will approve of the lesson. I am not intended to be technical because farmers' wives would not read them, but we believe that it should be scientific and practical.

I am much interested in your letter and in the suggestions you have made. You certainly have a good idea of the conditions that exist. The names which you have given have been placed upon the mailing list. I do not know just how many women will find the lessons of value and practical interest.

Yours very sincerely,

Very truly,

May 32, 1901.

I was much interested in your letter and in the suggestions you have made. You certainly have a good idea of the conditions that exist. The names which you have given have been placed upon the mailing list. I do not know just how many women will find the lessons of value and practical interest.

Very cordially,
June 3, 1901.

Mrs. Fannie E. Storms

My Dear Mrs. Storms:

I was much interested in your letter and in the suggestions you have made. You certainly have a good idea of what they exist. The names which you have given have been placed upon the mailing list. I do not know just how many shall be able to send the publications out of the state, as this work is provided for by state appropriation, but are glad to send a request for the list in your letter to the sanitary council list in order that we may place them. Thanking you very cordially.

Yours very sincerely,

Very truly,

[Signature]

May 31, 1901.

My Dear Mrs. Storms:

I was much interested in your letter and in the suggestions you have made. You certainly have a good idea of what they exist. The names which you have given have been placed upon the mailing list. I do not know just how many shall be able to send the publications out of the state, as this work is provided for by state appropriation, but are glad to send a request for the list in your letter to the sanitary council list in order that we may place them. Thanking you very cordially.

Yours very sincerely,

Very truly,

[Signature]
May 31, 1901.

My dear Mrs. Thrasher:

I asked the registrar to send you a Cornell register, and believe that you will get from it all that there is very glad to send you copies of the catalogue in regard to manual training at this place. Skidley College, in connection with the University, gives a great deal of manual work, and the agricultural and horticultural departments offer a great deal of instruction. The objection here is that there is no so-called manual training department. So far as I know, Cornell offers the best on account of lack of such a department. But I believe that it will be advantageous for manual education of any of our colleges. You, however, when it is registered, appreciate there is a very inadequate one. Please advise when I can be of service. You do not pass, write to me.

I enclose 50 cts. for pictures. I should have been glad to work, and that you would like to have them. The picture of Mr. and Mrs. Thrasher.

Please advise when. I can be of service, you do not pass, write to me.

I am enclosing the names of those who asked for this plan first. I shall have to add names in my mind as to the desirability of writing for assistance, because you have so well written for

Mrs. Albright Warren
339 Franklin St.,
Buffalo, N. Y.

Very sincerely,

May 31, 1901.

My dear Commissioner:

I am taking pleasure in placing your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will find it of interest and practical value.

We do not consider our membership to farmers' wives, but are glad to have any one interested in home problems upon the list. I note the references to your letter to the sanitary conditions and I believe that it is in order that we may place them upon our mailing list.

Very truly,

May 31, 1901.

As I constantly find it among women.

Mrs. Albright Warren
339 Franklin St.,
Buffalo, N. Y.

Very sincerely.

My dear Commissioner:

I am sorry to trouble you with the second request, but shall esteem it a favor if you will send me the post-office of these teachers in your letter to the sanitary conditions and to maintain a cheerful spirit. This is real courage.
May 31, 1901.

Mrs. J. W. Barker
Miss 3, Park Ave.
Buffalo, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Barker:

In reply to your letter I’d like to say that I am very glad to send you copies of Home Sanitation, but am unable to supply you with many of the saving steps. The reason for this is that we got out an edition of five thousand copies, supposing that it would be sufficient to last another year. The supply, however, has been exhausted for several weeks, and we cannot have a reprint this year, on account of lack of funds. I shall be glad to supply you, however, when it is reprinted. I appreciate thoroughly your interest in the work, and the aid you desire to render distributing these copies.

Please advise when you can, or cannot, you do not pass, write to me at once and I will do all in my power for you. I am willing to very cordially write now if you prefer, but would like to have you consider this plan first. I shall have no question in my mind as to the desirability of writing for assistance, because you are so well fitted for.

May 31, 1901.

Mrs. Albertina M. Warren
393 Franklin St.
Buffalo, N. Y.

Very sincerely,

My Dear Mrs. Warren:

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Very sincerely,
June 4, 1902.

Miss Della Gover.
Saratoga, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Gover:

My Dear Miss Gover:

Let me thank you for your very kind letter of appreciation of the Women's Reading Course. The suggestions which you have made are exceedingly interesting. It pleased me greatly not ready for an examination in civics, I will write the department when I know that a woman in the school of her present position of duties. I am glad to imagine they will be lenient with the circumstances to read to visit the orchard and listen to the birds. Res. But I have no idea that they will grant the certificate without makes work much more interesting, and gives us strength for our duties. My assurance from you that you will do what you can to raise the grade. We certainly are much the better off for work, and if we can standings in August, and I imagine it would be better to do what bring in it cheerfulness and appreciation of the beautiful. It is a work is done after the August examination. If written to now, they will say that you still have a chance in August. I would suggest that you do what you can then, and if you do not pass, write to me at once and I will do all in my power for you... I am willing to write now if you prefer, but would like to have you consider this plan first. I shall have no question in my mind as to the desirability of writing for assistance, because you are so well fitted for your work.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

June 4, 1902.

Mrs. W. J. Van dervere
Stratford Corners, N. Y.

Mrs. Mary S. Thrasher:
Dayton, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Thrasher:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter so full of excellent suggestions, and for the photographs this morning which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. Assistance of this kind meant with our hearty appreciation, and I trust that some of them would like to wait until Prof. Craig comes in order when known which ones, the course and be free to write or to determine which ones. I think they are excellent.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. Anna Stanton
Mrs. Denver Hall, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Stanton:

Let me thank you for your very kind letter of appreciation of the Women's Reading Course. The suggestions which you have made are exceedingly interesting. It pleases me greatly when I know that a woman in the midst of her round of duties finds time to read, to visit the orchard and listen to the birds. It makes work much more interesting, and gives us strength for our duties. We certainly are much the better off for work, and if we can bring to it cheerfulness and appreciation of the beautiful it is a blessing to us.

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you that we shall be glad to have you for the list of names which you have sent. This is assistance which we greatly appreciate.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

June 4, 1901.

Mrs. W. C. Van Buren
Street Corners, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Van Buren:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter so full of excellent suggestions, and for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. Assistance of this kind meets with our hearty appreciation, and I trust that the women whose names you have sent will enjoy the Course and be free to write to us.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
June 4, 1902.

Mrs. M. A. Johnston
Alberta, A. V.

My Dear Mrs. Johnston:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter in regard to the Women’s Reading Course. The suggestion which you made regarding Mrs. Elizabeth Hick, interesting, and the point in regard to the women in Boston, Mass., who did not succeed in doing an immense amount of work and maintaining her health applies to the majority of women. The one who I want you to ask you to help me. Will you read the bulletin on Home Sanitation and write me—First, whether in getting out

So many women could accomplish as much the new edition you would make changes? Second, what suggestions as she had

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, I am, as well as to study, as much as we can expect a farmer’s wife to so study such questions? You know, of course, that we can not expect the name of farmers’ wives to be on Home Sanitation. Third, will you suggest what books to which I can offer them for reading among those listed? One woman, strictly, may take pains to get the books and read them, but lack one

women in doing anything, get well, be better. Reading, however, may

make upon other projects. I thought of ‘The Childs of Pudding’, ‘Story of Bacteria’, both by J. and L., and ‘World of the Real World’ by Mrs. Richardson. You have read through ‘Education’ in particular, and you can give any word discussion regarding ‘Westfield’ and ‘P虚构 it’, or not. I have tried to get them to agree to the delay in short against time, and I am keeping you in my thoughts in this regard. I am doing everything I can to encourage interest in the sewing, and the monthly meeting. And I should be glad to have your advice on using certain things, especially, entirely right.

I am glad to be able to let you know the situation regarding the being used.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. M. A. Johnston

Very sincerely,

Mrs. M. A. Johnston
Oct. 12, 1901.

MRS. ELLIOTT RICHARDS
BOSTON, MASS. (167)

DEAR MRS. RICHARDS,

I want to ask you to help me. Will you read the bulletin on Home Sanitation and write me—First, whether in getting out the new edition you would make changes? Second, will you suggest a couple of questions to be placed in a quiz to accompany the lesson on Home Sanitation? I want questions which will lead them to think as well as to study, as much as we can expect a farmer's family to study such questions. You know, of course, that I've only attempted to outline the work of farmers' wives as we do of women who have devoted themselves to literary work. Third, will you suggest nomenclature books to which I can refer them for reading along these lines? One woman in fifty may take pains to get the books and read them; but that one woman in a hundred attention, and we want to encourage more and more to study upon these subjects. I had thought of "Death and its Dangers," "Story of Bacteria," both by Prudden; and "Women, Plumbers, and Doctors" by Mrs. Richards. "You have been exposed to the principle of disease, and its Dangers, that you shall hardly be very valuable said, and we shall all appreciate it. Do not waste your time. I shall be glad to compensate you for your time and trouble." This pamphlet is to be reprinted very soon, as our "fifth session" nearly exhausted. I shall be glad to compensate you for your very cordially.

Cordially, I enclose.

P. S., The quiz will be like the one in the Farmers' Reading Course, which I enclose.

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Mrs. J. C. Redd
Moffett, Ok.

Mr. Clinton Daniels,

Miss S. Maria Miller,

118 Charles St.,

Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Daniels,

I want to ask you to help me. Will you read the bulletin on Home Sanitation and write me, first, whether in getting out the new edition you would make changes? Second, will you suggest a couple of questions to be placed in a quiz to accompany the lesson on Home Sanitation? I want questions which will lead them to think as well as to study, as much as we can expect a farmer's wife to study such questions. You know, of course, that we cannot expect the same of farmers' wives that we do of women who have devoted themselves to literary work. Third, will you suggest names of books, to which I can refer them for reading along these lines? One woman in fifty may take pains to get the books and read them, but that one woman is worth attention, and we want to encourage more and more study upon those subjects. I had thought of "Dust and its Dangers," "Story of Bacteria," both by Prudden; and "Women Plumbers" and Doctors by Mrs. Richards. You have made so thorough a study of the subject that you can give us very valuable aid, and we shall all appreciate it. Do not let me trespass upon your time. I shall be glad to compensate you for your time and trouble. This bulletin is to be reprinted very soon, as our first edition is about exhausted.

P. S. The quiz will be like the one in the Farmers' Reading Course, which I suppose.
with anything else which I can secure which would bring out the
points made in the book. Of course, for pictures which you take
especially for me, we should expect to pay more. I wish I could
get a picture of an old tumble down farm house and I hope we can arrange with you for some.

My Dear Mr. Gates: I telegraphed you today that I would not be with
you Friday at 9:30, so might be able to find work at Chautauqua,
after I saw you; that I would not be able to call at your home to see
the negatives which you have; that I shall have sent you, and need
not be a bulleted: in order that you may see what line of illustrations are
needed. Notice particularly the two bulleted of the Women’s Reading and
Course, in which I am especially interested. After reading them, I felt
if you will kindly take the trouble to read the text in Shaping Steps,
and Home Sanitation, and if anything suggested itself to you by May. 26.
of illustration, I will be very glad to get it. Anything which is
required by Miss Kate. I think it indicates a companion, or jack of it about the farm home; espec.

I sent you a copy of the proposed circular,
10 cts. apiece; these are pictures which she had on hand, and not
which can be used to aid us in selecting negatives, after seeing what we use, and send us prints from those
which you think might be of value to us, let us look them over and
select from them. I have no doubt, in our department, we could use
a good many. I have wanted to secure a picture of a woman throwing
cut dish water, as described in the lesson on Sanitation. We are
about to publish a new edition, and I want the picture for that.
My Dear Mr. Gates:

I was so much occupied with my work at Chautauqua after I saw you that I found no opportunity to call at your home to see the negatives which you have. I will have sent you, some of our bulletins in order that you may see what line of illustrations are needed. Notice particularly the two bulletins of the Women’s Reading Course in which I am especially interested. After reading them, if you will kindly take the trouble to read the text in Saving Steps and Home Sanitation, and if anything suggests itself to you by way of illustration, I will be very glad to get it. Anything which indicates convenience, or lack of it, about the farm home, especially, I can utilize to good advantage. I do not know what to say in regard to price, as I do not wish to dictate in that matter.

You know better than I what you are able to furnish the pictures for, you sent me, and have tried to give them a royal welcome to the readers. A woman in Dayton has sent me some— I think 4 X 5— unmounted, for 10 cents, apiece. These are pictures which she had on hand, and not which can be used by all of us in working members, taken especially for us. I would suggest that you look over your negatives, after seeing what we use, and send us prints from those which you think might be of value to us, let us look them over and select from them. I have no doubt, in our department, we could use a good many. I have wanted to secure a picture of a woman throwing out dish water, as described in the lesson on Sanitation. We are about to publish a new edition, and I want the picture for that,
with anything else which I can secure which would bring out the
points made in the book. Of course, for pictures which you take
especially for us, we should expect to pay more. I wish I could
get a picture of an old tumble down farm house, which would indicate
bad drainage, heavy foliage, etc. Pictures for illustration are
needed by us constantly, and I hope we can arrange with you for some.

Yours truly,
Oct. 19, 1901.

Very sincerely,

John J.\[1\]

Miss Kate E. Kimball
Calkins Building
Cleveland, Ohio.

My Dear Miss Kimball:

I have written each of the women whose names you sent me, and have tried to give them a royal welcome to the Reading Course. I will submit to you a copy of a proposed circular which can be used to aid us.

Very cordially,

Oct. 15, 1901.

We will take the pictures to Miss Kimball by the next mail.\[2\]
Oct 21, 1907.

My Dear Mr. Elliot:

I thank you very much for the receipt of your letter and the manner of reply. You have certainly added to my collection of books. I am not sure what to think of the latest one, but that is merely a question of the circular letter, namely, if it once and for all corrects the "so-called" rule for improving the Reading and Writing Lessons, that is, reading a Book and writing a Letter in the evening.

One of the Rochester women was at the Buffalo meeting, and she informed me with the temperance lady that she had written a note, to come to Rochester and get a free lendsome, and I am enclosing the picture of the physical education workers from the Women's Social Institute, and I told her it was considerable. I should like to have a large number of these pictures, that you think desirable for your purpose, and we will state, as it would be a distinct service to her, and I think it would be the most interesting thing to have these pictures for the children. We would use them in the schools and place them on the walls, and also in the homes, and I think it would be well for us to have one which I would be pleased to read. In a previous letter, I do not wish to inquire as to the home of the Postmaster, but you will understand that the Postmaster has the Postmaster's Office.

My dear Mr. Elliot, I shall be glad to have you call on me at the Postmaster's Office, and I shall be glad to have you call on me at the Postmaster's Office. I shall be glad to have you call on me at the Postmaster's Office.

Your truly,

[Signature]
I think the subject which you proposed in your recent letter is a good one for a magazine article. I will write.

My Dear Mrs. Richards:

Up to thoroughly in which acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 21, 1900.

I have your letter of the 21st and the accompanying list of books. I should like to mention the following facts about these books:

1. They are not suitable for practical use without further work on the part of the reader. They are intended as textbook for a course in Reading, and are not intended as a complete guide to the subject.

2. They are not suitable for purposes of reference. They are intended as a course in Reading, and are not intended as a complete guide to the subject.

3. They are not suitable for purposes of instruction. They are intended as a course in Reading, and are not intended as a complete guide to the subject.

4. They are not suitable for purposes of research. They are intended as a course in Reading, and are not intended as a complete guide to the subject.

5. They are not suitable for purposes of study. They are intended as a course in Reading, and are not intended as a complete guide to the subject.

6. They are not suitable for purposes of instruction. They are intended as a course in Reading, and are not intended as a complete guide to the subject.

I have realized that the picture is a dark one, but I think it is a desirable one. I believe that the course will be successful in the long run. The difficulties, however, are not to be underestimated. I am particularly anxious in all cases to have the science accurately printed and pressed as a contribution to the science. I believe it to be a misfortune to the course to have it otherwise planned. Suggestions along these lines are very greatly received.

The various local organizations. I attended their annual meeting in [illegible] I found that mistakes were made in the authorship of "Women Plumbers and Engineers" this week and told them my Chautauqua plan.

Doctors. As you are recognized as an excellent authority on these subjects, I have wished to give something you have written as reference book to the question, and can decide whether you will incorporate the science, and have selected the only one which I could find in the list of books on Saving Steps as printed in the Chautauqua. I do not with your name attached "Home Sanitation," by Richard Talbot. This is not necessary, but the lesson, but the circular letter. In addition, a list of books will be of great value to me.

As stated in a previous letter, I do not wish to infringe on your time, but I realize that this work demands very careful treatment. The most circular mentioned is exact, I would like you to have a note, and I want to secure for it friends who will aid in making it successful. My plans to be here, and I wish you would confer with Mr. Bray about it.

You are not expected in your busy life to give your time to the work of making this work done, and also to take the charge, but I wish to make you connected with that letter of bill. Again thanking you, I am,

Very truly,
My Dear Mr. Tower

I think the subject which you mentioned in your recent letter is a good one for a magazine. Oct. 21, 1901.

Mr. George, asking if I may upon coming to Freeville look the matter up as thoroughly as would be desired in preparing the work. I trust I have your letter and the accompanying list thing it be were made to feel an interest in it, that he could lend of books. I want to thank you heartily for the suggestions which the assistance which would be necessary to secure an interesting at you have made. They afford opportunity for improving the Reading articles. I will try and get over to early next month as possible. Lessons, and I can readily see that they will be excellent changes. I am sorry that other work will prevent my giving it more attention to make. I have realized that the picture is a dark one, but I want to thank you for your kind words concerning my address in all have portrayed those things which I have seen in farm homes, also Buffalo, though not all in any one home. I think I need to watch myself, as I have been looking over the last number of "Good Housekeeping" however, that I may not paint the pictures in too sombre colors, and congratulate you upon your success.

I am particularly anxious in all cases to have the science accurately stated, as it would be a misfortune to the course to have it otherwise placing of your name upon our mailing list, and I am giving it to wide. Suggestions along these lines are very greatly received.

the various departments today.

I find I was mistaken in the authorship of "Women Plumbers and Doctors." As you are recognized as excellent authority on these subjects, I have wished to give something you have written as reference, and have selected the only one which I could find in the list with your name attached, Home Sanitation, by Richard Talbot. This list of books will be of great value to me.

As I stated in a previous letter, I do not wish to infringe on your time, but I realize that this work demands very careful treatment, and I want to secure for it friends who will aid in making it a success. You are not expected in your busy life to give your time free of charge, and I shall be ready to remit upon receipt of bill. Again thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

Very truly,

Oct. 21, 1901.
Oct. 21, 1901

Mr. James F. Tower
Springfield, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Tower:

I think the subject about which you mentioned in your recent letter is a good one for a magazine article. I will write Mr. George, asking if I may upon coming to Fremville look up the matter thoroughly as would be desired in preparing the work. Until I think if he were made to feel an interest in it, that he would send the assistance which would be necessary to secure an interesting article. I will try and get it very early next month as possible.

I am sorry that other work will prevent my giving it my attention.

I want to thank you for your kind words concerning my address in all Buffalo names on the mailing list as you may prefer.

I have been looking over the last number of "Good Housekeeping" and congratulate you upon your success.

I am sorry that more careful attention was not given to the placing of your name upon our mailing list, and I am giving it to the various departments today.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Gertrude Miller
36 Clinton St.

Mrs. Stella Hallauer
Iroquois, N. Y.

Oct. 22, 1901.

Dear Mrs. Hallauer:

I have come across a letter of yours written in July. I cannot account for its being missed. I have placed your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course, and trust that you will not mind the work and practical benefit. We are pleased to receive suggestions and questions from our readers.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Hallauer

Oct. 22, 1901.
Oct. 21, 1901.

Mrs. F. G. Collins
240 Central Park, L. I., N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Collins:

We were pleased to learn from the receipt of your cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course that you have for information and leaflets concerning the Farmers’ Women Reading Course we shall have to know of your interest in our Women’s Reading Course. We shall have Course was received in July. I have sent some material to the ad- le glad to send copies of our publications for use at your Mother’s dies, given, which was in your care, but the letter was returned as Club. I am afraid that we cannot send as many as you desire until the work is received from the printer, as we have had to have our or in the Post Office. If Mr. Ayers will send me your address former numbers reprinted, I have placed the names which you sent the me on the mailing list, and I am much obliged to you for these names. We can send you after we get a supply, as many as you will need in your Club, and can send the entire number to you, or we will place names on the mailing list as you may prefer.

We would be very glad if we could make this work of interest to the class of women who compose your Club, and any suggestions which you may make will be gratefully received.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Adelia Smith
Director, B.F.D.S.

Mrs. Gertrude Miller
36 Clinton St.
Fremont, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I am sorry that you did not receive our letter and leaflets, perhaps you would be willing to let me know what was enclosed in your letter.

I have been waiting for them to be printed. I wish to hear all the expense connected with this and assure you that the help I have come across a letter of yours written in July. I cannot tell whether it was answered. I have placed the name which you sent upon the mailing list. We shall soon begin sending out publications for the present year, and hope that both you and your friend will enjoy the work. We are always glad to hear from our readers.

Very cordially,

Mrs. M. E. Collins
Chairman of the Committee on Literature

Very truly,
Oct. 21, 1901.

Mrs. Alice Garvey Waterman

Mr. Wm. Nichols

Port Washington, L. I., N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Waterman:

My Dear Mrs. Nichols:

I am in receipt of your cordial letter regarding A Letter signed by Mrs. F. W. Ayers, making the Women's Reading Course. I am very sorry that I did not have the pleasure of meeting you in Buffalo.

I was writing your name upon the mailing list as one in a dress given, which was in your care, but the letter was returned as in those times and to whom special attention may be given, although not called for. There may have been some mistake in my direction outside of the State. I do not know of any names like this for the Post Office. If Mrs. Ayers will send me your address for farmers' wives, although there may be some names there in the State. I will place her name upon the mailing list.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

I am told by the Department of Public Instruction that you have an album of photographs of rural schools. I am meeting you in Ithaca and tell you anything that I can regarding the making a great effort to secure some pictures of rural schools—both work. The lesson on Saving Steps is in the printer's hands, and good and bad—and desire them for Illustration of an article printed probably very early next month for distribution.

in the Charity, and also to use in connection with our University Extension work at Cornell University. Slides would be made, and they would be used also for cuts in printed matter on the subject. I am ready to use this immediately, and if you have negatives, perhaps you would be willing to list them without waiting for them to be printed. I wish to hear from you in this matter.

My Dear Mrs. Nichols:

If you will make the expense connected with this and assure you that the help which it will render will be very great, and for members in the extension of the Reading Course plan for members in any subject, and I am very glad to know that you have taken these pictures, and are interested in such desirable. While I was commissioner, I did not carry a camera, and I am interested in these subjects, and Thanking you very sincerely for your assistance in the matter.

Any suggestions which you may make at any time will be appre-

Very truly,

[Signature]
My Dear Mrs. Waterman:

I am very glad to thank you for the list of names sent as for the Women's Reading Course. I am very sorry that I did not have the pleasure of meeting you in Buffalo.

I am putting your name upon the mailing list on one hand it is not my suggestion to regard to you, but I see you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. I have not suggested to regard to those in these lines and to whom special attention may be given, although you are outside of the state. I do not know of any course like this for the Farmers' Wives, although there may be something somewhere within the state. It is not related to the Farmers' Institutes, only as we are sometimes represented there, and bring our work before them. The expenses of the course are provided by a fund appropriated by the state legislature for a Farmers' Reading Course and Nature-Study.

Should it be possible for you to visit us I shall be glad to show you anything that I can regarding the work. The Lesson on Saving Steps is in the printer's hands, and probably very nearly ready for distribution.

Should suggestions come to you regarding the work, I shall be very glad to hear from you. I am very glad to receive your letter and a manuscript of a paper so that much money may be spent on other members of the Women's Reading Course. Nov. 5, 1901.

Mrs. Marie Hall has sent me your letter giving the list of suggestions which have been made upon the Women's Reading Course, and one in which this course one of practical value to our readers, and one in which the work will be very greatly received. Should you wish to send us a suggestion which we shall take up will be "Saving Steps," since the work will be very greatly received.

My Dear Mrs. Hall:

I am very glad to receive your letter for members of the reading course. I hope we do not slip in the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and so pleased that you are interested in it, although you are living on the farm. We need the assistance of practical women who are interested in these subjects, and who see in farm life that which is enjoyable.
who have but little time for this work. Possibly our lessons will
suggested by the Secretaries of the Farmers', and Wives', Reading Course.
may be of interest to your members.
Mr. J. M. Joy
My Dear Sir: I take great pleasure in sending them to you.
I am very thankful that you sent me the list of names sent us for
the Farmers', Wives', Reading Course.
Assistance of that kind is
My great interest is at this Department. I sincerely hope you and
your friends will find the work of practical value.
You will find your cordial letter and wish to say that
I am pleased to understand on that point, because it is a subject that
I have not heard of before.
I am informed that you are interested in
the special subject of "Education for Home Life," and while it will not be a
specialized subject, it is one that I believe is very important.

Mr. J. M. Joy
My Dear Sir:
You are correct in saying that there is a scarcity of text books. Should you or your Club wish to
do any work in this line, I would suggest that you correspond with
the school commissioner in Erie County, for the purpose of
learning the names of rural teachers who take magazines and papers
into their schools and give the families the benefit of them through
their mail.
The school commissioner has sent me a list of names from the pictures in the book,
"Women in Industry of England," and I am sure you will find them of interest.

Mrs. E. Feather
Albion, N. Y.

Should your Club find subjects which we are presenting from
this Department of interest, I shall be very glad to send you a memo
quantity of lessons so that each member may have one or two
letters of the Women's Reading Course. We are making an effort to have
them printed in a simplified form so that they may be read and understood by
the average reader. The subjects on which they are written will be "Education for Home Life," "Physical Education in Housework," "The Best Way of Keeping Housework," "Gardening," and "How to Furnish the Table.

There are excellent books to use under these subjects, and
books which would afford much more study than these lessons which
are sent from New York. However, I try to reach women on farms
who have but little time for this work. Possibly our lessons will suggest lines of thought which may be of interest to your members. If so, I shall take great pleasure in sending them to you.

I am very glad to hear from you, and shall be interested in knowing what work you are doing in household lines.

My Dear Mrs. Mount:

Very cordially,

I have your cordial letter and wish to say that I am pleased to place your name upon the mailing list of the Women's Reading Course. I am very glad to know that you are interested in the work. I do not know that there is any organized effort to reach the farmers' families with literature. The only thing that suggests itself to me is through the rural school teacher. He often teaches where there is no library whatever, and in a great many cases there is a scarcity of text books. Should you or your Club wish to do any work in this line, I would suggest that you correspond with the school commissioner in Erie County, for the purpose of learning the names of rural teachers who take magazines and papers into their schools and give the families the benefit of them through the children.

Should your Club find subjects which we are presenting from this Department of interest, I shall be very glad to send you a quantity of lessons so that each member may have one of each number as they are printed.

You have sent me your year book giving the list of members with their addresses. Shall I place them upon the mailing list?

The subjects which we shall take up will be "Saving Steps", "Home Sanitation", "Physical Education in Housework", "The Best Way of Doing Housework", "Gardening" and "How to Furnish the Table".

There are excellent books to read upon household subjects, and books which would afford much more study than these lessons which are sent from New York. However, we try to reach women on farms
who have but little time for this work. Possibly our lessons will suggest lines of thought which may be of interest to your members.

If so, I shall take great pleasure in sending them to you.

I am very glad to hear from you, and shall be interested to know what work you are doing in household lines.

Very cordially,

Nov. 22, 1901.

My Dear Mr. Griffin:

I have your letter with the quiz and answers. In reply to your letter I am sending you copies of lessons I am glad to have you correct the mistakes which we have made in your notes. We shall issue from our post office and it will be made right on our books.

Mr. G. C. Crewsman
Department of Agriculture
Parliament Building
Toronto, Canada.

My Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter I send you two copies of Saving Steps. Our new edition is just completed. I note from your letter that you are using some of the illustrations for a pamphlet. I am wondering whether you had cuts made from the pictures in the book, or whether you have secured them in some other way. It would not seem to me that you would get very good results from cuts made from the pictures in the book. Pictures in the new edition are not very satisfactory.

Our work is not copyrighted, but where it is used we have asked to have credit given.

I am glad to know that in your Department they are doing so much for the women in agricultural districts, and I wish you a great deal of success in the work.

Very truly,
Nov. 23, 1901.

Mrs. J. A. Griffin
Cawston Center, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Griffin:

Dear Sir:

I have your letter with the quiz and answers. I am glad to have you correct the mistake which we have made in your answers. We shall issue four more post cards, and it will be made right on our books. We hope that in lessons and our next subject which will be of value to housewives

The correction will be more than pleased with the answers you have given, and naturally, but we shall keep with the experience, if possible, and want to thank you for the interest you have in the Course. I am glad you would like to go on to our exchange work of the housewife in so great that reading is a difficult problem. I like your idea in regard to reading poetry. It is so easy to read the Fingers; and please advise me as I will see that the Nature Study Leaflets are sent you. Please advise me if there is anything more that you wish to know in regard to this subject, if the same tendency to omit the reading of poetry, and I believe

Mrs. John has been very kind to furnish me with some photos. I shall try to follow your suggestion.

I make reference to this in an article now in preparation.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Buren.
Nov. 23, 1901.

My dear Corresponding Editor of Youths' Companion,

My Dear Boskey, Mass.

I want to acknowledge receipt of the quiz. In reply to your letter I am sending you copies of lessons given in some very excellent ideas. I already published for the Farmers' Wives. We shall issue four more in the next half of the year upon subjects which will be of value to housewives. I have a thorough system generally, but we shall keep with the experience, if possible, of a few more. It is time to make the dishes and to keep up the exchange. Possibly you would like to go on to the exchange. I am glad you have mentioned that subject. Please advise me and I will see that the Nature-Study leaf-

Let's see the Farmers! Reading Course are also sent you. Please advise me if there is anything more that you wish to know in regard to reading. We will have a manual in the next issue if you wish. I am glad to know that you are interested in receiving something of that kind.

Mrs. Upshur has been very kind to furnish me with some photographs and references to the work of the "Companion" to rural schools.

I make reference to this in an article now in preparation.

Very truly,

Martha Van Durenclaus

Nov. 23, 1901.
Nov. 23, 1901.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Williamson
Barnesville, Ohio

My dear Mr. Williamson:

I have your very pleasant letter of Nov. 20th and am greatly pleased.

I want to acknowledge the receipt of the quiz with answers. You have given us some very excellent ideas. I like that description you have sent of dish washing, and hope that in our lessons later we can make use of it. I have a thorough sympathy with any one who is willing to take time to scrape the dishes clean before washing them, and I am glad you have mentioned that point.

You have a most interesting line of reading. We will have a lesson sometime during the year upon foods. I am glad to know that you will be interested in receiving something of that kind.

I want to thank you for writing us at length. It is an encouragement and a help in the work.

I was glad to know that you read and enjoyed the books of

Saying Stage, and won Prof. Cushing and I appreciate very much the vicinity. Anything that we can do to any nice to aid you will be gladly done, and I hope you will not hesitate to make upon us.

I will send your pleasant greeting to Mrs. Constock upon her return. She has been in New York for the last ten days. She found it greatly interesting in the stores of the great cities and had a great deal of pleasure in that harvest time.

Wishing you good health and success, I am,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Martha V. Russell
Nov. 24, 1901.

Mr. C. P. A. Warren
S. E. B. R. N., N. Y.

Mr. O. F. Williamson
C. P. A., N. Y.: 

I have your very pleasant letter of Nov. 20th and am greatly pleased to know that you are enjoying the recollections of your work here last winter. It must have a great influence in the outlook of a young woman to have the opportunity to do the work which the Short Course allows.

I am exceedingly sorry to know that the mother is ill. I feel sure that she will soon be recovered and I am glad to know that, if she has two boys, one can assist her at school time. While housework is sometimes trying to the late of a young woman, I am glad she does not have to do it all of the time, nevertheless some experience in the field of a very valuable thing, and I like the training which it gives to the mind and knowledge which the trials of the many things which crowd upon her.

I am glad to know that you have read and enjoyed the lessons on Saving Steps, and both Prof. Craig and I appreciate very much the confidence you are interested in organizing Reading Clubs in your vicinity. Anything that will do at any time to aid you will be gladly done, and I hope you will meet the state to call upon us.

Very sincerely,

Miss [Name]

Nov. 27, 1901.

Nov. 28, 1901.

Mr. C. P. A. Warren
S. E. B. R. N., N. Y.

Mr. O. F. Williamson
C. P. A., N. Y.: 

I am glad to know that the mother is still ill. I feel sure that she will soon be recovered and I am glad to know that, if she has two boys, one can assist her at school time. While housework is sometimes trying to the late of a young woman, I am glad she does not have to do it all of the time, nevertheless some experience in the field of a very valuable thing, and I like the training which it gives to the mind and knowledge which the trials of the many things which crowd upon her.

I am glad to know that you have read and enjoyed the lessons on Saving Steps, and both Prof. Craig and I appreciate very much the confidence you are interested in organizing Reading Clubs in your vicinity. Anything that will do at any time to aid you will be gladly done, and I hope you will meet the state to call upon us.

Very sincerely,

Miss [Name]
Nov. 25, 1901.

Mrs. W. A. Packard
Stapleton, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Packard:

I am pleased to tell you that the lessons of the Farmers' Women Reading Club and the Sayings of the American Women's Association have been published in the form of a book. I appreciate the letter which you wrote, and I am glad that we shall have more of your advice and suggestions.

I think it is important to have several women interested in reading and discussion. The lessons, however, should be designed to meet the needs of the women in the country districts, and should be as practical as possible. It is a very desirable thing to have a good foundation of general knowledge, and I think that should be given to those who are interested in the work of the club.

I assume that your lesson, especially the first edition, was the first edition of the book. You will doubtless be interested in our second edition and the quiz which accompanies it.

I shall always be glad to hear from you and to know of your work. I am very glad to hear of your thinking and reading.

I shall be very glad to send you packages of leaflets whenever you send them out, and appreciate your interest. You are at liberty to select any of the articles you wish to have placed on our list, and the lessons can be sent to them directly, or if you prefer they can be sent direct from you.

I am sure that you will find that the lessons are of great value, and when the next lesson is out I will send a package.

Very sincerely,
My Dear Mrs. Bushan:

I am glad to receive your letter and to know that you were pleased with the lesson on Saving Steps. You are certainly a pretty busy woman, and I appreciate the letter which you have written. I hope you will soon have more and more conveniences so as to save your steps and make the work lighter.

I am glad to hear you say that you would like to have a lesson on gardening. It is delightful work, although rather hard for a woman to do all. There is something very pleasant in having flowers and vegetables growing as a result of our efforts, and I think the home is much pleasanter for the flowers, and the table much more satisfactory with the vegetables.

I presume that your lesson on Saving Steps was the first edition that you will doubtless be interested in our second edition and the quiz which accompanies it.

I shall always be glad to hear from you and to know of your work, and what you are thinking and reading.

Very sincerely,

My Dear Mrs. Bushan:

I am very glad to receive from you the list of names for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I hope that you will all find the course interesting and of practical value.

We shall be glad to hear from you and to be of any assistance possible. Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very cordially,

Kate Buhann Stanley, N. Y.
Dec. 7, 1901.

Mr. Melvil Dewey:
Mrs. H. J. A. Dewey:
M. J. Sullivan:

My Dear Mr. Dewey:
My Dear Mrs. Dewey:
My Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I have received the list of names and am having your name stamped on them, and they have now been mailed to the Dropsy home. I appreciate your kind offer to send the names of all those who are interested in the work of the New York deaf mutes, and I hope that you will send them promptly. I am confident that you will receive many more names, but it is not necessary that all your names be sent in at once. I hope that the names you have sent will be of service to you or to your relatives. I have asked to have a full set of the publications sent you, and if you want to have information on any subject, I am sure you will find the answers in the publications.

In regard to my own department, I think I have told you already of its history and the work already done. I have with this letter a copy of our first letter requesting the names, and you will see that we have not yet received any from you or from any of your relatives. I hope that you will give me the pleasure of knowing you the names returned. It is unfortunate that our first letter did not have this result, and I hope that our readers will be kind enough to return any names they can find.

I hope you will ask me for any information at any time which I can give that would be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

My Dear Miss Black:

I am very glad to receive your letter asking for the Reading Courses for your father and mother, and I am sending them the latest leaflets, and I am sending you the Natureale.

Very truly yours,

My Dear Mrs. Gallup:

I am very glad to receive from you the list of names for the Farner's Wives' Reading Course. I hope that you will all find the Course interesting and of practical value.

We shall be glad to hear from you and to be of any assistance possible. Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very truly yours,
Mrs. H. E. Ewing:

Dear Mrs. Ewing:

I have received the list of names and am having them placed upon the mailing list. I appreciate thoroughly the

Your name, Madam, is on the alphabetical list. I will place the

Reading Course and very practical and profit in the lessons. Please

I have enjoyed the reading of the answers to the quiz, and

truly that you will be free to write me at any time regarding the

work of anything that interests you.

Mrs. Della A. Jones

very cordially.

My Dear Mrs. Jones:

I have received your letter in regard to the

Farners' Evers Reading Course, and take pleasure in Dec. 23, 1901.

writing lists. I have taken the liberty to place your

My Dear Miss Ewing:

I am very glad to receive your letter asking for

the Reading Courses for your father and mother, and have placed

their names upon the mailing list, and am sending you the Nature

Study Leaflets.

I hope they will be of service to you or to your

father and mother. I am very glad to have them also.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

very cordially,

I want to thank you for the list of names that have been sent for the

Reading Courses. We appreciate this kind of help very greatly, and

I want to assure you also that any suggestions which you will have

will be gladly received, at any time.

very cordially,
Dec. 5, 1901.

My Dear Mrs. Sullivan:

I have received the list of names and am having them placed upon our mailing list. I appreciate thoroughly the interest which your Club is taking in our work, and I hope that you will find a great deal of pleasure and profit in the lessons. Please write me at any time when we can be of service to you or to your Club.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mrs. Della A. Jones
Hamburg, N.Y.

Dec. 14, 1901.

My Dear Mrs. Jones:

I have received your letter in regard to the Farmers' Wife Reading Course and take pleasure in placing your name upon the mailing list. I have taken the liberty to place your name upon my mailing list for general purposes of your use on the card list and want to say to you that if you would like to have "A Success of Girls, how to have a Success of Girls, how to have a Success of Girls," I would be glad to send you a list. Should there be other women in the state whose names you would like to send me, we will place them also on the list.

I am very glad to know that you have had improvements which make your work lighter. It will give you new inspiration as well as keep your interest readers, and to receive their suggestions and opinions you wish to do, in that you will save yourself unnecessary work.

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Reading Course. We appreciate this kind of help very greatly, and I want to assure you also that any suggestions which you will make will be gladly received at any time.

Very cordially,
Dec. 5, 1909.

Miss Mary W. Warren
Perryburg, Maine.

My Dear Miss Warren:

Mr. Geo. William Cook
MRS. A. J. RICHARDS, M. I. W., Boyd, have received the quizzes with answers and
are pleased with the work which you have done upon them. I am very
glad that you are interested in this line of work. I assure you
that it would be a pleasure in the future to put a similar one up for
the winter lessons. The suggestions made upon the quizzes and
handed in by the students can be used as a basis for the next
work. A very interesting feature of the lessons is the
picture work, which I hope will be received and used in your school.

However, I can not write the lessons in any such a
way that they can be read to your class at the beginning. The students
ought to express their ideas in their own way, and put in the address
given below developing their ideas on the book until the next Jan. 1, 1909.

If I had never reached me, and as you mentioned sending it
I am giving to Mrs. PARKER
Craig, I write the supplementary, and hope you will be pleased with it. If you are interested in the lessons, I am sure that you will
enjoy the reading and be interested in the book as a whole.

I am very glad to know that you have secured some of the house-
hold improvements which make your work lighter. It will give you
new inspiration as well as keep your strength for other things which
you wish to do, in that you will save yourself unnecessary work.

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the
Reading Course. We appreciate this kind of help very greatly, and
I want to assure you also that any suggestions which you will make
will be gladly received at any time.

Very cordially,
Miss Mary E. Warren
Fryeburg, Maine.

My Dear Miss Warren:

Mrs. Ann E. Gurney, Maryland, N.Y.

I have received the quizzes with answers and am pleased with the work you have done upon them. I am very glad that you are interested in this line of work. I assure you it would be a pleasure to me to assist you to get articles published, and if you have anything written which you would like to send, I will read it and see if anything can be done with it. In our club and their interest and suggestions are very essential elements in its success. I am glad to make this kind of arrangement with you and to give you all the help I can.

We shall be glad of your help and suggestions, and hope to hear from you again.

Very cordially,

My Dear Mrs. Jenkinson:

The Reading Club I am giving to Prof. Craig. He has the Ext. I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the Farmers' Wives Reading Course and to know that you are interested in the lessons and probably you received copies of the first edition of these lessons, and I am sending you under separate cover the new lessons printed with quizzes, as you will be interested in the additions to the lesson. Cordially,

I am very glad to know that you have secured some of the household improvements which make your work lighter. It will give you new inspiration as well as keep your strength for other things which you wish to do, in that you will save yourself unnecessary work.

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Reading Course. We appreciate this kind of help very greatly, and I want to assure you also that any suggestions which you will make will be gladly received at any time.

Very cordially,
Maryland, N. Y.,

My Dear Mrs. Garney:

My Dear Mrs. Douglas:

I want to assure you that your letter regarding the Woman’s Reading Course has been very gladly received and read with interest. We appreciate the efforts of our readers to respond and their interest and suggestions are very essential elements in the success of the Reading Course. Your letter contains many valuable suggestions which will be helpful in the Course, and I think time if this is your first trial that you had better go right on, because you write very excellent letter.

We shall be glad of your help and suggestions, and hope to hear from you again.

Your letter regarding the Reading Club I am giving to Professor Craig. He has the Extension work in charge, and will give you ideas concerning the formation of the Farmers’ Reading Clubs. A little later I will try to send you something in regard to the formation of Farmers’ Wives’ Reading circles.

Wishing you a very happy New Year, I am,

Yours cordially,

Jan. 1, 1902.
Jan. 1, 1902.

Mrs. Robert S. Armstrong
Cuba, N. Y.

Mrs. J. Edna Armstrong

My Dear Mrs. Armstrong:

My Dear Mrs. Douglas:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course. I am very glad you are interested in it. The cordial reception which is accorded it by many thoughtful women is one very necessary means of its inspiration and growth. I am very glad to place the name of Mrs. Burdick upon the mailing list, and assure you that any name which you send at any time will be gladly received. We have republished our two lessons already printed with supplements, and I am sending you them as you probably had the old numbers without the quizzes. We do not expect all of our readers will take time to answer these quizzes, but where they can do it, we feel that it will lead to more thought and interest on their part.

Wishing you a very happy New Year, and assuring you that we shall always be pleased to hear from you when anything suggests itself to you regarding the Reading Course, I am,

Very cordially,

Wishing you a very happy New Year, I am,

Very cordially,
Jan. 1, 1901.

Mrs. Mattie Douglas
Ravenwood, Mo.

My Dear Mrs. Douglas:

Your letter for the Women's Reading Course has reached me, and I want to assure you that it is very greatfuly received, and the interest which you have shown is one source of help to the Reading Course which we would not be without since we need the inspiration and suggestions which our readers can furnish. Your article is a very excellent one, and we shall make use of it in our publications, although we never take the liberty of publishing the names of writers unless with their permission. I believe that while it takes time and thought to write with, it is a source of great benefit, not only to the writer but to those who receive it.

The experience of each one of us is so varied that if we will express ourselves in writing to others, we can be of great aid.

I should be very glad to hear from you and hope that you will write freely regarding the Reading Course, and make any suggestions and comments which you wish. I judge that you belong to a circle, and are working together on these subjects.

Wishing you a very happy New Year, I am,

Very cordially,
Jan. 1, 1902.

Mrs. N. V. Shailer
1 Stratford Place
Newark, N. J.

My Dear Mrs. Shailer:

Your cordial letter was duly received. I hope you are very much better, and that you will not overdo. I fear that that is your propensity.

I have devoted my time this fall and winter thus far to work in Teachers' Institutes. This is so all-absorbing, both as to time and strength that I have been able to do only enough to try to keep our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course alive.

I shall be in Ithaca until the first of April without having to go out very much, and my work during that time will be in connection with the Women's Reading Course. A new lesson is already for the printer. It is entitled "Physical Education in Housework."

The idea of school room decoration is an excellent one and worthy of a great deal of attention. It is receiving more and more, and results ought to be seen in time. It is always difficult to get very much done in the rural schools, but that is one reason why the attempt should not be made.

Wishing you health and strength for your winter's work, I am,

Very cordially,
Jan. 4, 1902.

Mr. Wm. P. Schultz
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Schultz:

In reply to your letter I want to thank you for the Circular Letter which you have sent us for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. We are including the names of women who will be interested in the course, and appreciate the kindness of those who supply us. I am glad the lesson will be sent to me.

I have read with a great deal of satisfaction the circular letter which you are sending to the farmers and their families. You have made a very effective appeal, and it cannot help but bring rich results to the Course, and I trust be of value to those who take up the work. I am much pleased with your letter regarding the Course, and you have suggested many things which you have so kindly sent for the Women's Reading Course. I sincerely hope that the letters may find the Course of practical value and interest to them.

I shall write you again. I like especially your ideas regarding the Farmers' Wives.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Jan. 4, 1901.

Mrs. Anna Hayward Merritt
Lockport, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Merritt:

My Dear Mrs. Buck:

My Dear Mrs. Warne:

In reply to your letter let me say that we do not
find it necessary as yet to cut off our out of state readers from our
you have sent us for the Farmers' Wives Reading Course. We are
mailing list of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and until this
very glad to receive names of women who will be interested in the
has to be done your list will be continued. It will doubtless be
Course, and appreciate the kindness of those who supply us. I
sincerely hope the lessons will prove of interest to those whose
I am glad to know that you are interested in the lessons; and
names you have sent, and assure you it will be a help to us to hear
assure you that it will be a pleasure and afford us profit to hear
from women any suggestions which they may wish to make, or comments
from you at any time regarding the work.

upon these lessons, or questions which they may wish to ask.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,

Jan. 4, 1902.

Mrs. Anna Hayward Merritt
Lockport, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Merritt:

My Dear Mrs. A. B. Selmon
N. Le Roy, N. Y.

I am very much pleased with your letter regarding
the committee and its work. You have suggested many things
which appeal to me, and I am sure I shall find them of practical
value. A little later as the work takes on a more practical form
I shall write you again. I like especially your ideas regarding
the Farmers' Wives.

very cordially,

very cordially,
Jan. 6, 1902.

Mrs. Ella Buck
Mrs. Ella Buck, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Buck:

In reply to your letter I am sending you a list of names which you have so kindly sent for the Women's Reading Course. I sincerely hope these ladies may find the Course of practical value and interest to them. Help of this kind is always appreciated by us, as we are glad to receive the names of those who are interested in the Reading Course.

very cordially,

Jan. 7, 1902.

Mrs. R. L. Selden
N. La Roy, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Selden:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have so kindly sent for the Women's Reading Course. I sincerely hope these ladies may find the Course of practical value and interest to them. Help of this kind is always appreciated by us, as we are glad to receive the names of those who are interested in the Reading Course.

very cordially,

Jan. 4, 1902.

[Signature]
Jan. 6, 1902.

Mrs. Jessie Bean
Chamung Center, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Bean:

In reply to your letter I am sending you copies

of the questions you say you like to have them since yours are due.

New York City.

You need not feel obliged to send in the answers, although should.

My Dear Miss Reynolds:

You wish to do so we shall be glad to receive them. Do not feel.

Sometimes ago I had a letter from you asking

that you cannot answer the questions being since at the time of

for information regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course of Cornell

to do these things by doing. Your experience in a housekeeping class

at the University. We have been obliged to almost stop the office

not being as long as that of many, and of course it would not be ex-

work during the fall because my life has been given to work. I ex-

pected that you will answer these questions as well now as you can.

Teachers' College. During the next few months, however, the cor-

respondence from the editorial side of the work will be advanced as much

as possible. I take pleasure in sending you material which we have

you will be interested in the course and perhaps you may join other

already had brilliant and am placing your name upon our mailing

whose name you wish to receive as. If so, we will be glad to mail

list to receive future publications.

then the lesson.

Under separate cover I enclose some allusions which perhaps will

bring to your mind an article which you desired. I may perhaps

help you in making up the article which you desire. I will only ask

any of the letters found in those lessons, as we do not

send the names nor addresses. In that way we think we take no un-

due liberty. Will you please advise if there is anything else which

you would like to have me send you. I shall take pleasure in doing

work, and although we do not be able to expect much better in the school from now therefore.

May I ask you to send me two copies of the paper

In which this article appears.

Very cordially yours,

Martha Van Slaugham

Martha Van Slaugham
MISS E. ALICE F. REYNOLDS
45 Irving Place,
New York City.

My Dear Miss Reynolds:

I have received your letter containing your application for information regarding the Farmers' Clubs Reading Course of Cornell University. We have been obliged to almost staff the office work during the fall because my time has been given to work.

During the next few months, however, the editorial side of the work will be advanced as much as possible. I take pleasure in sending you material which we have already had published, and am placing your name upon our mailing list to receive future publications.

Under separate cover I send you some things which perhaps will help you in making up the article which you desire. You may refer any of the letters found in those Reading lessons, as we do not give the names or addresses. In that way we think we take no undue liberty. Will you please advise if there is anything else which you would like me to send you. I shall take pleasure in doing so, if there is. May I ask you to send me two copies of the paper in which this article appears. Very cordially,

[Signature]

Jan 7, 14 1902.

[Handwritten signature]
Jan. 7, 1902.

My Dear Miss Hoffman:

Miss Alice Hoffman,

Miss Madison, N. Y.

"Evening Federal" and in the Department of Extension and the

My Dear Miss Hoffman:

I have received your letter containing a list

of men and women for the warms!, and warmers, Wiles' reading courses

and I want to thank you for your assistance. I am greatly appreciate

for information regarding this help because it enables us to keep in touch

the officers of Cornell University. We have been trying to get help from

Course is designed, Prof. Craig who has charge of this department

wishes me to thank you for sending me a circular referring to the

these men and women in the form of clubs for the study of the literature which

Cornell University has for them. He is sending you a circular refer-

regarding the formation of a Farmers' Reading Club and in a short

time I will send you one for the women. I believe when you are

list to receive it and put forth the most effort possible.

I hope that you are having a very pleasant year at your school

work, and should you be able to assist us at any time, be free to

write us so, if there is. May I ask you to send me two copies of the paper

very cordially,
in which this article appears. I am,

very cordially yours,

[Signature]

[Signature]
Jan. 7, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. March:

Miss E. Carruth, "Evening Telegram": I have only recently received your letter dated DeRuyter Square, New York City. It is the purpose to domestic economy of some, we are giving us very valuable help and we appreciate very much the trouble you have given in providing the information asked for. We have been obliged to almost close the office work during the fall because my time has been given to work on a new school teachers' institution. During the next few months, however, I hope that you will not be able to attend the office work simply because of the correspondence and editorial side of the work will be advanced as much as possible. I take pleasure in sending you material which we have already had published and am placing your name upon our mailing list to receive future publications.

Under separate cover I send you some things which perhaps will help you in making up the article which you desire. You may publish any of the letters found in those Reading lessons, as we do not give the names or addresses. In that way we think we take no undue liberty. Will you please advise if there is anything else which you would like to have me send you. I shall take pleasure in doing so, if there is. May I ask you to send me two copies of the paper in which this article appears. I am very cordially yours,

Martha Van Rensselar.
Jan. 7, 1902.

Mrs. E. F. Mason:

I have only recently received your letter dated Dec. 29th. It must have suffered the fate of many letters, and have been delayed somewhere. You are giving us very valuable help and we appreciate the sending of the names. We take pleasure in sending them upon our mailing list, and hope that these women will be pleased with the work. As you have an unusual interest in the Extension department and the country department, it is of interest to me to have your name upon our mailing list. In a few days I will send you a circular giving a few suggestions, and I hope that you will be free to write me whenever I can be of service.

I have an unusual interest in the farming community of my own county, and am always pleased with the enterprise which they are showing along these lines.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Pelt Reiersol.
Miss Sara F. Rollys
155 Washington Ave.,
Miss Anna L. Albany, N. Y.
Teachers' College,
My Dear Miss Rollys:
New York City.

My Dear Miss Alline:

I send you some material relating to our Reading Course for Farmers' Wives. This is a part of the University Extension department, and is in the department of Nature Study and the Farmers' Reading Course. It is the nearest to domestic economy of anything that the College affords. One can get from the Courses provided for the men in the Agricultural College things which bear upon women's work, but however, there is but little which belongs to indoor work. Methods of interest to women to study horticulture, the dairy and the poultry departments, and probably these come the nearest of any to domestic economy.

I take the opportunity to place your name upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and I hope you will be interested in the work.

Very cordially,

Jan. 8, 1902.

Mr. W. F. Schultz
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Schultz:

Jan. 1, 1902.

Miss Adelaide D. Harris
Ransomville, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Harris:

I have written Mr. Schultz that I will be present, and hope that I may be of some assistance. My pleasure in being at the meeting at Newfane Friday afternoon or evening, and going will be in proportion to the help I may be able to render to Ransomville the next day. I shall look forward with pleasure to this visit, and hope you will manage to get some help from me on those present in any way.

R.R. Commonly

Very sincerely,

Jan. 8, 1902.
Jan. 8, 1902.

Miss Anna L. Alline  
Teachers' College,  
W. 120th St.,  
New York City.

My Dear, Miss Alline:

I am sending you under separate cover ten copies of Home Sanitation and Saving Steps. I shall be glad to furnish you with anything in our line of work, and your letter will be referred to the department of Nature Study, so that you will receive what you desire in this line. Rest assured that we are pleased to have you call upon us for this work, and there will be no charge to you. Inasmuch as this literature is free to residents of New York State.

Very cordially,

Jan. 8, 1902.

Martha Van Perneler.

Mr. W. F. Schultz  
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Schultz:

Mrs. J. L. Dunn  
1310 Fulton St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

In reply to your letter let me say that I can easily manage to go to Newfane to be there either Friday afternoon or evening as you may prefer, and will go to Ransomville the next day. I am very glad that it is possible for me to make this arrangement, and hope that I may be of some assistance. My pleasure in going will be in proportion to the help I may be able to render, and I hope that my list of books is not too large for your use. You must therefore let me know how I may advance the interests of our work. It is formulated as we go on, and it is difficult to give a list which will appeal to anyone who does not know that they are in connection with Reading lessons upon these subjects.

Very sincerely,

Jan. 10, 1902.

Martha Van Perneler.
Jan. 10, 1902.

Mr. Warfield Humphry,
Geneva, N. Y.

Mrs. Belle C. Nellis
Deerwood, N. E.

My Dear Mrs. Nellis:
Your letter affords me a great deal of satisfaction. I believe it would be an excellent idea for us to do what you have suggested. I will take yours,

My Dear Mrs. Butler has sent you this morning the cuts and manuscript for Lesson 3 of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course. In getting up the material for the last paper I have omitted the illustration Fig. 6 and 8, is printed on a state fund. We have not yet been charged for this. I shall be able to see the illustrations are to other & can formulate a plan; I am very much interested in its accompanying figure at this same cut. We shall probably discontinue this, but until then you will receive a committee report on figures for your own group together, and the reception of part of them will be advised. We shall advise you when to have our meeting in Gowanda, and I hope we shall have a good attendance. I am afraid I have not given you a full opportunity to enjoy the work, and that you have not especially enjoyed the book sufficiently, and your judgement will be free to write us any time. Your letter suggests that for the good of the course, I am, very cordially,

Very truly,

Jan. 10, 1902.

Mr. Leonard Feliz Fuld
130 E. 116 St.
New York City.

Mrs. J. E. Dunn
My 1431 Fulton St.
Jamaica, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Dunn:
I have your letter of the 8th inst. in which you say that I am assigned for three periods at Bant Tuesday Feb. 4th. I am very sorry I have not written you before. My topics will be, primary—agricultural education, intermediate—rural schools, advanced—The High School Pupil.

I am now at home and able to attend to work in the Reading Course. I hope that you are getting a little time for rest, and that you will profit by the opportunity if such exists. Our work is formulations as we go on, and it is difficult to give a list which will appeal to anyone who does not know that they are in connection with Reading lessons upon these subjects.

Very cordially,

Jan. 10, 1902.

Mrs. J. E. Dunn
Mr. Dewey Humphrey
Geneva, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter affords me a great deal of satisfaction. I believe it would be an excellent idea for us to do what Mr. Butler has sent you this morning the cuts and many you have suggested. I will talk with Mrs. Peterson and show her the script for Lesson 3 of the Farmer's Wife Reading Course. In getting the letter ready for the 25th of January, I will send you the last, and when I see the letter before you that she may have an opportunity to mark it I enclose it herewith. Will you kindly insert it after the illustration, Fig. 6 and 8, the latter beforehand that you may have an opportunity to mark it. I am glad to see you also in January, and perhaps we can formulate a plan. I am very glad to place your name upon the References. In this lesson to figures occur very near together and I am looking forward to the first part of the lesson more than the latter part.

Thanking you, I am,

Very truly,

Martha Van Rensselaer

Jan. 10, 1902.

Mr. Leonard Felix Fuld
130 E. 110 St.
New York City

My Dear Sir:

My Dear Mr. Williams:

I have your letter of the 8th Inst., in which you say that I am assigned for three periods at Bath Tuesday Feb. 4th. In Reading Course I want to acknowledge also the enclosure of the topics. My topics will be primary--Physical Education; intermediate--rural schools; advanced--The High School Pupil. I hope that you are getting a little time for rest, and that you will profit by the opportunity if such exists.

Very sincerely,

Jan. 10, 1902.

Martha Van Rensselaer
My Dear Mrs. Lake:

Your letter affords me a great deal of satisfaction. I believe it would be an excellent idea for us to do what you have suggested. I will talk with Mrs. Peterson and show her your letter when I see her the 25th of January. I will send her the letter beforehand so that she may have an opportunity to think it over. I shall be able to see you also in January, and perhaps we can formulate a plan. I am very glad to place your name upon the committee as you will render us valuable aid. I am looking forward with pleasure to the meeting in Gowanda, and I hope we shall have a large attendance.

Very cordially,

Jan. 10, 1902.

Martha Van Rensselaer.

Mr. Leonard Felix Fuld
130 E. 34th St.,
New York City.

My Dear Sir:

I am glad to receive your answers to the quizzes, and especially pleased that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives Reading Course. I want to acknowledge also the enclosure of the magazine offers, and regret that I have just ordered a combination similar to these offered by you. I am sorry that I did not receive your sooner as it would give me pleasure to order through you. I have placed the advertisement on file, and should I have occasion to order again I should be glad to write you.

Very truly,

Martha Van Rensselaer.
since an organization a year ago. Our mailing list Jan. 15, 1902.
Mr. Charles M. Harlum
Weightman, Inc.

Yours sincerely;

Mr. Charles M. Harrill
My Dear Mr. Harrill:

My Dear Mr. Harrill: In reply to your question, I am your letter, let
me say that better than any message returned from Buffalo and express-
led, the self-contained and at home parents and teachers who have
sent us a message for the last received. The second of the children
is largely healed and pleased to have the news of the end.

I hope that the report to the school board in the town has been
published to the instant answers to the questions are very intelli-
gent and willing to give Harrington of the one interest to the

and with the new so well.

Please accept our best wishes for a happy holiday and much joy.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Charles M. Harrill

January 15, 1902.

...and I am sure that the interest of the Reading Clubs, especially for
the younger ones, is now in the hands of the printer. The
work should be out before the end of the month. The
next lesson is now in the hands of the printer.

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I know it would be a good thing all around, and I shall watch for an
opportunity to ask for the carrying on of Nature Study and Farmers' Weekly,
and this fund has been administered by the State Department of Agriculture through Cornell
University.

I called your name, and I am sure that the interest of the Farm Home, and
occupants are active members of the department a year or two ago that
the farmer's wife should have a share of this help. I have been inter-
ested in the beginning and have had charge of that department.
My Dear Miss Reynolds:

In reply to your question, one, in your letter, let me say that better than to send you two sets of answers to the quiz, I will select from different papers answers which you would like to use. The cooperation which we have received from Farmers' wives lies largely in the correspondence. The two lessons which I send you contain letters which they have written. We have a large number of such letters. Their answers to the questions are very intelligent and full of interest. We have only recently tried to interest teachers; but in the last few months have secured at the Institutes a large number of names of those teaching in rural schools. We have urged them to interest the women in the districts in which they teach, and are receiving lists of names from them. I have as a matter of convenience and reference saved some articles regarding the Course—some of which are in a scrapbook, and if I cannot find them during the next few days, I will send you the book by express, to take from it what you wish, and ask you to return it as soon as convenient, as of course it may be needed for reference at any time.

Dear Sirs:

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since the organization a year ago. Our mailing list is now about Mrs. Zilah A. Huntington eight thousand, and
Champaign, Ill.

Yours sincerely,

My Dear Mrs. Huntington: Not answered your letter because I have not heard from Mr. B.,
and am glad to know that you are interested in our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I hardly know how to answer your question. All this work is printed for my state appropriation, and we are not supposed to send copies out in large quantities.

The Chautauqua department of instruction has taken this work this year, and is trying to make it a national affair. Not much yet, however, has been done as they have only begun, and Jan. 15, 1902,
to know how much you could utilize our work through them. I send you a few copies of each lesson, and wish that I could send more.

Mr. Geo. H. Beuel L
Bangor, N. Y.

However, for how long we can arrange so that you can have

Dear Sir: A nominal price, and I place your letter where I may refer to it for reference, under separate cover, lessons and some other material already issued for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I am not able to say when any shall be put out before April 1st, but at least two and possibly three. Our third lesson is now in the hands of the printer. I hope you will be interested in this work, and we should be very glad to hear from you at any time.

I am glad to hear that you are making a very pleasant year's work. I had the pleasure of meeting her last summer, and hope I may meet you both at Lake Placid or elsewhere.

Wishing you both a great deal of success, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. Ellen A. Huntington  
Champaign, Ill.

My Dear Mrs. Huntington: I have not answered your letter because I have
wanted to hear from Mr. But I am glad to know that you are interested
in our newly formed reading course, and I am happy to answer
your question as to our work in this field of our work, and I am grateful
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these at a nominal price, and I place your letter with my other letters
in the Chautauqua department, which will be a help to our course. It is a
most fascinating line of work, and you no doubt find it so in your
department. I will write the editor of the Chautauqua to send you
the October number, in which is stated their plan for using these
leaflets.

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I have not answered your letter because I have wanted to hear from Mr. Dawley. I have received nothing from him, in view of my letter written at the same time that I wrote you.

I want to get his ideas concerning the nature, amount and time of work in the Farmers' Institutes, I do not know how to formulate them. Probably he is waiting for an opportunity to arrange a formal interview.

I cannot at this date say whether I can go to Placid and Saratoga. If I can arrange it here, I should be glad to go for the experience which I would get, and with the hope that I might be of some little use. I will write you soon about it.

I am very much interested at present in the food question because the next lesson to be prepared is on that subject. The problem is how to give facts which others have found out. If a farmer will make the work of interest to the farmer's wife.

I am very glad to receive the syllabuses for study clubs. The one on seed care is just in time for my use. The library at Cornell has but few works on this subject, although as soon as a good list is furnished him, the librarian will order books. Will you kindly ask Mr. Dewey if I can have sent to me a list of books which I can consult upon the subject of foods, and which I can keep for two or three weeks and return to the library. I do not wish to make either one of you extra trouble, but if you can give this into the hands of some one who can select, I should be glad to have the best selection made from your own judgment. I have access to the governor for books in the course, upon request when you mention the names of any of them. I will greatly appreciate your doing this.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

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Jan. 15, 1903.

My Dear Mrs. Dewey:

[Address]

[Signature]
May I refer the readers to our bulletin No. 23, Foods—Nutritive Values and Uses, for suggestions which you have made are excellent. You certainly have had practical experience, and any suggestions you think will be of value and are welcomed, and I am looking forward to your new work as easy as possible by thought and looking on the bright side. Surely the ideas which you have suggested will be of benefit to us all, and I thank you for them. We shall be pleased to have you send us names of women who will be interested in the Course, and assure you that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and will be glad to place the names of any women whom you may suggest as being interested in the Course, upon our mailing list.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensselaer

Miss C. E. Raleigh Friday afternoon, and was sorry that you were not looking upon leaving the hotel, hear you and several hours.

My Dear Miss Raleigh:

I am very glad to learn that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and have placed your name upon the mailing list. I sincerely hope you will find the Course of practical interest, and assure you that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and will be glad to place the names of any women whom you may suggest as being interested in the Course, upon our mailing list.

Very cordially,
Jan. 16, 1902.

Mrs. Jascone Grant
Alliance, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Grant:

In accordance with your request I have placed your name upon our mailing list for the publications of the Farmers’ Institute. I am working on the lesson, Foods for the Farm Reading Course. Our work is provided by the state appropriate for the Farmer’s Family, and have before me bulletin No. 28, Foods—Nutritive Value and Cost; No. 121, Beans, Peas, etc. ; No. 122, Bread Making in New York State. However, under present conditions, I am unable to send material in large quantities and the Principles of Bread Making; No. 28, Rich as Food ; No. 74, Milk and Cooking. I wish you to place your name on our mailing list, and sincerely hope that you will be interested in the leaflets. The time is ripe for suggestions and cooking. Will you kindly suggest to me any other bulletins which you think will be of value, and are there books which you think will be sent.

I would suggest for me to read? You gave me good advice last summer on this subject. I shall refer the readers to these bulletins, and especially to No. 23 for a more scientific study of the subject, which I hope many of the women will take up. I feel that my task is to present material which you and others have studied out, and change it so that the Farmers’ wives will not know but that it is original with me. I am looking for some help and suggestions from you.

I have received your name as a member of the Farmers’ Institute. I am registered in the Course in order to study the work for suggestions and help from others.

I was sorry I could not remain to see you at Syracuse, but I was obliged to leave Friday afternoon, and was sorry that I did not have time to send in any suggestions which you will find in the Course. I hope that you will find it a great deal of interest to you.

Will you please remand me to Mrs. Atwater. I hope to meet you both again in the early part of the Course and shall be glad to hear from you and if we can be of any assistance to you in any way what assistance it will be a pleasure to do so.

The others will be sent as they are published through the year.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Jan. 16, 1902.
Mrs. Johnson Grant  
Alliance, Ohio  

My Dear Mrs. Grant:

In accordance with your request I have placed your name upon our mailing list for the publications of the Farmers' Reading Course. Our work is provided for by state appropriation, and we are therefore unable to send material in large quantities out of New York state. However, under present conditions, when we can place your name upon our mailing list, and sincerely hope that you will be interested in the leaflets. The time may come when we cannot supply our out of state friends, at which time notice will be sent.

I have written to Miss Ollie C. Elliott, who are interested in this work for suggestions to Dublin, Ind., which would be for their good. We are obliged to you for your kind help.

Yours very cordially,

Jan. 16, 1902

Martha Van Praagh.
My Dear Miss Smith:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers’ TVRA Reading Course, and although you wrote Jan 16, 1902, I am sure your note

able to meet the women in your locality often. I am sure your need

my dear Mrs. Dunn.

next will be arranged in three and will contain pictures made rather than small. I am writing to make you aware if such opportunity presents itself

by the summer, was sorry not to meet you in person, and hope that the

and no doubt there will be a few opportunities to take up

I send you a few things which I have published for the Farmers’

sent you an announcement in your last letter referring to the

that we may place their names on our mailing list. I am looking

do it so far as we would expect conceivably to take up anything which will

to you and to women who are interested in this work for suggestions

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the effect to be the same, and even better than if I had said more.

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suggestion a plan to you. It is somewhat embryonic at present, but

will tell you about it whenever you need to know. Please say

this to Mrs. Row for me. I am glad she thinks of writing the book

in regard to Physical Education in Schools.

Heartily yours,

Sincerely yours,

Very cordially,

Miss Amanda Smith
Jacksonville, N. Y.
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My Dear Miss Smith:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Vivae Reading Course, and although you do not find it possible to meet the women in your locality often. I am sure that they will not want to have an opportunity to say them, will help me greatly.

My Dear Mrs. Bishop:

I have just received the first proof. These next will be arranged in pages and will contain pictures. Upon looking this over, should there be changes which you want to suggest which I can get into the second proof, please indicate them on this one, and return to me. You will notice I have not cut down as much of the circular which concerned the women of the course. Perhaps you will
suggest another way of presenting the women of the course, which will be more useful to the women who are interested in this subject. I would be an unfortunate thing to cut out the exercises.

One thing I have to explain, I have not made any very prominent reference to your book and your classes, because I am afraid to have anything which will appear like a tendency to use this department for the purpose of advertising. However, I have tried to do it so far as would seem consistent in my anxiety to help women to take up anything which would be for their good. We are obliged to steer very clear of any commercial element. I, however, want the effect to be the same, and even better than if I had said more.

A delicate intuition of this kind cannot antagonize any one and will, I hope, secure the desired result.

Before you arrange for the publication of your book, I want to suggest a plan to you. It is somewhat embryonic at present, but I have placed your name upon the mailing list, and hope you will tell me about it whenever you need to know. Please say this to Mrs. Roe for me. I am glad she thinks of writing the book in regard to Physical Education in Schools.

Hoping you are all well and very happy, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Very cordially,
Miss Amanda Smith  
Jacksonville, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Smith:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and although you do not find it possible to meet the women in your locality often, I am sure your good words when you have an opportunity to say them, will help us greatly.

I appreciate the list of names which you have sent, and I was much interested in your letter. I am very glad to get the names of women who will be interested in this Course. I have placed these names upon the mailing list, so that every one interested in it, and that we may have the cooperation of these women, and we are very anxious that they may find it a practical and interesting that I can

take to the work. By all means can those nature teachers take up

I hope that you are having a pleasant winter, notwithstanding the fact that you find it difficult to be away from home. Some Nature circulars regarding the work in her department.

Yours cordially

Mrs. W. C. Dean  
604 N. Cayuga St.  
Ithaca, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Dean:

I am very glad to note your approval of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course as indicated by your letter of the 12th inst.

It is a pleasure to know that a suggestion regarding the window box has been put to a practical test in your home.

I have placed your name upon the mailing list, and hope you will be interested in further publications of the Course. We are glad to receive the names of women who would like to receive this literature, and will also be glad of any suggestions which you may wish to make at any time.

Very cordially,
My Dear Mrs. Brown:

I was much interested in your letter of recent date addressed to Prof. Craig, and am sending you under separate cover some literature pertaining to the Reading Course, hoping that you will be interested in it, and that we may have the membership of your Grange enrolled upon our mailing list. This work is paid for by the state for the women, and we are very desirous of making it so practical and interesting that they may find it a pleasure to take up the work. By all means can those nature teachers take up the Nature Study Course, and I am asking Mrs. Miller to send you circulars regarding the work in her department, upon believe Nature Study would form a most valuable part of the home reading, although I realize that there is not little time for study to residents of this community. Please let me hear from you at any time that I can be of service, and let us as a department do all that we can for your Grange, or as individuals, issues.

Thanking you for your attention to this work, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Jan. 18, 1932.
Jan. 18, 1902

Mr. Horace Watters:

The address you have sent me with your letter asking to be added to the list of members of the "Willow Creek" reading course, have been marked received. I am sending under separate cover some literature which I hope you will find interesting.

The work we are doing is of great importance to our community and to the extension work of the Extension Department of Cornell University. If you will send me your name and the names of your neighbors, I will be glad to send them literature of interest and the names of those who write upon a subject of your particular interest.

We are always glad to have new members and are always willing to help them in any way possible.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Bora Davis
Perrysburg, N. Y.

Jan. 29, 1902

My Dear Miss Davis:

Your letter of recent date asking for a new member to be added to the list of members of the "Willow Creek" reading course has come to my attention. I am very glad to have you and your neighbors added to the list.

The course is one of great importance to our community and to the extension work of the Extension Department of Cornell University. If you will send me your name and the names of your neighbors, I will be glad to send them literature of interest and the names of those who write upon a subject of your particular interest.

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Very cordially,

Mr. Horace Watters
Mrs. Flora Davison
Perryburg, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Davison:

Miss Madeline Pierce
N. Y. Tribune,
New York City,

Your letter of recent date asking for a change in address and for the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course has come to my attention. I am very glad to have you send for the Reading Course, and the change has been made in the address of Mrs. Davison. You have done all that is necessary to become a member and I sincerely hope that as the lessons reach you, you may find much of interest in them. It is a work we are greatly enjoying, and we have a very great desire to have it practical and interesting to our readers, time to time circulars which are issued for this Course, and suggestive of help.” On the other hand we receive a great deal of information from those who write us, and are glad of suggestions and help, should you think of other women who would be interested, will you kindly send us their names and address you are looking for this Course, we have placed these names upon the mailing list, and I hope the work may be of great value to these men and women. Prof. Craig will write you, and I am wondering if you can place your name upon the list. If you can not form a Farmers’ Wives’ Club in your district, introducing some reading aids from that, suggested in our work, I believe it will strengthen very greatly your work in the district, and make you valuable to their interests. Let me know if I can help you in any way.

Very cordially,

Jan. 20, 1902.

Miss Eva M. Swartwood
Cayute, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Swartwood:

You have sent us a very nice list for our Farmers’ and Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Courses, and we thoroughly appreciate your efforts. We have placed these names upon the mailing list, and I hope the work may be of great value to these men and women. Prof. Craig will write you, and I am wondering if you can-
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I am always pleased to hear from the women of my own county, as I am greatly interested in them.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Sarah E. Maraden
Pierrepont, N. Y.

Jan. 22, 1902.

Dear Mrs. Davison:

I am very glad to hear from you and to know that you are interested in the Reading Course. I enjoyed your letter and am glad of the suggestions which it contains, and I also want to thank you for the name of the Farmer's wife which you have sent. We are very glad to receive the names of women who will be interested in the Course. It is a free course, and we want to reach those who will be most interested. Courses.

Let us hear from you at any time. Ask any questions or make any suggestions you wish.

Very cordially,

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Mr. F. E. Jones
Ruth, N. Y.

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Mr. Chas. S. Johnson: New York, N. Y.

E. R. E. Vernich.

Dear Mr. vernich: New York:

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the course to go on as before and hope that we can continue to send
the women in the course, and are anxious to render to the farmers and
their names of any other woman whom you may know, let us hear from you at any
regard that all possible aid in the matter. Please write us when
you may, and we will do our best to interest as many as possible in the course, as we desire to have it
redupled which will interest in the course.

Very truly,

Mrs. Martha G. Watson

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Webster, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Watson:

I want to thank you for your kind letter relative to the formation of a club. I wish you might be able to form a club in Brocton and vicinity.

Mr. Chris. S. W., feel am sorry we have had to omit so many months without sending literature, but we have not been able to use as much money for this work as it warrants. The farmers' wives have taken it up with most gratifying results to us, and have lent us very cordial and valuable assistance. I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent us for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I sincerely hope these lessons will be of interest to the women who have joined the Course, and I assure you we thoroughly appreciate all interest shown in the Course, and are anxious to render to the farmers and their families all possible aid in our power. Please write us whenever we can be of any assistance, as this will give us a great deal of pleasure.

Very truly,  

Martha Van Rensselaer
Jan. 28, 1902.

Rev. W. H. Stang
Spencer, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

I am very glad that you and Mrs. Stang are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and assure you it will be a help to the farmers' wives.

My Dear Mrs. Dunham: Have you interest others in the course. We are anxious to have a large list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course.

Last year we issued our two leaflets, one saving steps, and the other on Home Sanitation. This winter we shall issue more of our work, one of which is in press. It is probable some of these names are in our last year's list. Those that are not will be placed there, and will receive the new leaflets which are now ready, and all will receive the future issues. Very truly,

I enclose circular letter relative to the formation of a club.

I wish you might be able to form a club in Brocton and vicinity.

If you see any way wherein we can aid you, I hope you will be free to call upon us. Under separate cover I send you some of our new literature, but we have not been able to use as much of it as we can use, and you will kindly indicate the number I shall be able to use for this work as it warrants. The farmers' wives have taken it up with most gratifying results to us, and have lent us very cordial and valuable assistance.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

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Spencer, N. Y.
My Dear Sir:

I am very glad that you and Mrs. Stang are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and assure you it will be a great help to us to have you interest others in the Course. We are anxious to have it of practical benefit to our readers, and to reach all who will find in it any interest and help. Should Mrs. Stang see in her conversation with farmers' wives wherein we can be of more assistance to them, we shall be glad to receive her suggestions, and will place any names upon the mailing list that you will send us, or have them send us.

Thanking you, I am, very truly,

[Signature]

My Dear Mrs. Mowatt:

Under separate cover I send you some of our literature. I want to send you as many copies of our lessons as you can use, and you will kindly indicate the number I shall be pleased to send them. I am very glad you are so much interested in this subject. It seems to me that Economics is the coming subject of the day.

Should there be any way in which our department can be of assistance to your Club, kindly advise me.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
My Dear Miss Compton:

Jan. 30, 1902.

Miss A.E. Compton
1157 Hoffman St.,
Elmira, N.Y.

My Dear Miss Compton:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our Reading List, and hope I can glad to place your name upon our mailing list, and hope that you are interested in this line of work. I am now a lesson on foods before the winter is over, which I think I can make up. I think you would like to read bulletin No. 23 in the Bulletin of the Department of Agriculture. I will try to send it to you, if you will let me know your address.

Mr. P. E. Dawley, Albany, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Dawley:

In reply to your letter let me say that I return through Syracuse the 7th of February. I will determine whether I can meet you in Batavia Feb. 7th or 8th, or I may be able to be in Syracuse upon your return from Batavia. I will telegraph you as soon as I can find out more definitely. You will doubtless be busy while you are in Batavia, but perhaps we can have our interview in a short space of time, and thus not interfere with your engagements.

Very cordially,

Yours truly,

Martha Van Renselaar.

My Dear Mrs. Dewey:

Feb. 3, 1902.

Martha Van Renselaar.

I have heard from Mr. Dawley that he will be away from Albany next week—that he will be at Batavia the 7th and 8th. I shall endeavor to meet him at Batavia.

A letter from Mr. True says that the food and diet charts are no longer available, either for free distribution or for sale. It is possible these can be borrowed for the occasion at Lake Placid.

My plans will not change so far as I know, and I shall expect to see you in Albany the evening of the 5th.

Very cordially,

Yours truly,

Martha Van Renselaar.
My Dear Miss Compton:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our Reading list, and hope I can glad to place your name upon our mailing list, and to know that you are interested in this line of work. We shall have a lesson on foods before the winter is over, which I hope may be of some benefit, though it is not scientific in its make-up. I think you would like to read bulletin No. 23 U. S. Department of Agriculture—"Foods, Nutritive Value and Cost." The It is free and you can obtain it by writing to the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

I hope we may hear from you from time to time as you become interested in the bulletins.

Very cordially,

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Very cordially,

Yours cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. Chas. G. Conklin
Leocks, N. Y., N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Conklin:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our Reading list, and hope that you may find the Course of practice of much interest. I shall be very glad indeed to learn that you have been able to introduce this work into the grange, and I send herewith a copy of a circular letter which may be of some assistance to you.

Let me know if in any way we can aid you. It would be a great pleasure to add anything to the help offered to the farmers' wives.

Very cordially,

Yours cordially,

Feb. 3, 1902.

Mrs. Arthur L. Dudley
N. Amherst, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Dudley:

In reply to your letter let me say that, while our mailing list largely in New York state, we are not averse to admit out-of-state readers who may be interested in the Work laid down in the Women's Reading Course and have placed your name upon our mailing list for future issues. We are glad to know of your interest in this work.

I shall be glad to receive it and to know how your Club progresses.

Very sincerely,

Yours cordially,

Feb. 3, 1902.
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Mr. Fred W. Locke
Hammondsport, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

Mrs. W. N. West
Hamilton, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. West:

I take great pleasure in sending you our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I send such literature as will aid your work, hoping that you will be interested, and that you may have an opportunity to interest the women on and near your farm. I also place the name of Belford upon the Nature-Study list, as I imagine he will be growing into an interest in Nature-Study. I have placed the name of Mrs. Locke upon the mailing list and we shall be glad to place any other names you may send us.

Very truly,

Your cordially,

Feb. 3, 1902.

Mrs. Arthur L. Dudley
N. Amherst, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Dudley:

In reply to your letter let me say that, while we aim to make up our mailing list largely in New York state, we are not obliged at present to refuse to admit out of state readers who will be interested in the work, although the time may come when this is necessary. I am interested to see whether these lessons will be of value in the Home-Study Club, and hope you may find them so. Should you be able to give me any benefit from your experience I shall be glad to receive it, and to know how your Club progresses.

Yours cordially,

Mrs. Dudley

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Yours cordially,

Mrs. Dudley
Mr. Fred W. Locke
Hammondsport, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

I am pleased to know from your letter of recent date that you will bring to the attention of your Grange, the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I send such literature as will aid you in presenting it to them. I am pleased to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Reading Course, and trust that you will find the Women's Course of the same interest. Let me know in any way that we can aid you in the work.

I have placed the name of Mrs. Locke upon the mailing list, and we shall be glad to place any other names you may send on the list. I have also referred your letter to Mrs. Miller who has charge of the Home Nature-Study Course.

Very truly,

Mrs. H. C. Hayford

Feb. 5, 1902.

Mr. Fred W. Locke
Hammondsport, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Locke:

I am very glad to receive the list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives Reading Course. Assistance which you have given us will be very acceptable to us, as we are anxious to get the Course into the hands of those who will be interested in it. We have not been able to issue the lessons regularly, but hope to let you hear from us several times during the winter.

Hoping that you will find the lessons of interest, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Wm. Putnam
Lykers, N. Y.

Feb. 5, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Putnam:

I am sending you the second lesson of the Course, and the third will reach you as soon as it comes from the printer's. I enclose herewith a circular letter giving suggestions regarding the work in a Grange. Should you at any time be an opportunity for us to aid you in your work, I hope you will call upon us.

Very cordially,

Feb. 5, 1902.

John Boyd
Feb. 3, 1902.

Mrs. Sella C. Rogers
Miss Katherine A. Penney
Irondequoit, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Penney:

I am very glad to learn that you are thinking of introducing the Reading Courses into the grange, and if there is anything we can do to aid you, please write me for I send a circular letter which will give you some suggestions; although you may have to change according to the conditions in your grange. If you will send us the names of the members, we will place them upon our mailing list, for which would make our work more practical; they would refer your letter to Prov. Craig, and he will have sent you the literature pertaining to the Farmers’ Reading Course.

Thanking you for your interest, very cordially,

Feb. 3, 1902.

Ithaca, N. Y.

Mrs. H. C. Hayford

My Dear Mrs. Hayford:

I am very glad to receive the list of names which you have sent for the Farmers’ Reading Course. Assistance of this kind is very acceptable to us, as we are anxious to get the Course into the hands of those who will be interested in it. You will find in bulletin 154 which has been mailed out recently a table showing the relative values of alfalfa and the various clovers. Please compare them, and find answer to your question.

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My Dear Sir:

I am sending you some circulars which will be enough to hand around among your farming acquaintances.

Yours sincerely,

John Craig
Feb. 3, 1902.

Mrs. Selle C. Rogers
M167 Rosedale St.
Rochester, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Rogers:

I am very glad indeed to receive the list of names for the Women’s Reading Course, and have placed them upon our mailing list. I have also sent the suggestions for forming clubs. My Dear Sir, plans must be considered in connection with feeding to the women whom you have mentioned. Assistance of this kind is very acceptable to us, as we are anxious to reach the women who will be most interested in the work. Should you at any time have suggestions to offer which would make our work more practical, they will be very gladly received, as you are in a position to know what is needed.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 3, 1902.

Mr. John M. Russell
Franklin, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

You will find in bulletin 154 which has been mailed to your address, the relative values of alfalfa and the various clovers. Please compare them, and find answer to your question.

It gives us much pleasure to know that the lessons are helping you. Perhaps there are friends in your vicinity who do not know that these lessons are free to farmers of the state. I am sending you some circulars which you will be good enough to hand around among your farming acquaintances.

Yours sincerely,
Mr. Harrisor Williams
Plainville, N. Y.
Mr. A. M. Rhinehart
Centralia, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

The lesson on balanced rations deals with general principles. There are always exceptions to general rules. Each dairyman may find among his herd of cattle an important exception. A Mr. A. M. Rhinehart must be considered in connection with feeding standards.

It pleases me very much to know that you received and studied Lesson 5 with the proper spirit. This lesson as you say, is one of the most difficult of the series. It treats of a technical subject, and one which it is most difficult to place in simple comprehensible language. If as you suggest, farmers knew more about the silage and the way in which the silage was made, if you were to examine the silage which we are now feeding our cattle at Cornell, you would find no fault with it and are doing the most difficult insects to destroy. Paris green will not do it. It must be kept off by using something which acts as a deterrent. I have used a mixture of kerosene and ashes with fair success, but last year on fields where they were very abundant, the only way we were able to save the plants was to hand-pick them in the mornings. Next year we are going to go at the problem seriously, and we hope to find some practical means of holding this serious enemy in check.

The only condition is that the farmer keep off the trouble to read them, and answer the quiz which comes with each lesson. I hope that you will feel sufficiently interested in these to do this.

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The lesson on balanced rations deals with general principles. There are always exceptions to general rules. Each dairyman may find among his herd of cattle an important exception. A balanced ration for milk is not a balanced ration for making fat, so that balanced rations must be considered in connection with feeding standards.

Your criticism on silage is well taken. There is silage which is good for cattle, and there is decayed and vinegary corn stalks which are not good for cattle. In other words, there is good and bad silage. Whether it is good or bad depends on the condition of the fodder and the way in which the silage was made. If you were to examine the silage which we are now feeding our cattle at Cornell, you could not criticise it in the terms applied to your neighbors product. Certainly the cattle find no fault with it, and are doing well.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Thos. J. Brennan
60 Broadway, N. Y. City.

My Dear Sir:

It is true that to get the most out of Lesson 3, a knowledge of the letters of the Reading Course, and to know that you are interested in the work of the State Agricultural College, is very glad to receive your letter regarding the issue of the Reading Course. These lessons are free to every farmer of the state. The only condition is that the farmer should take the trouble to read them, and answer the quiz which comes with each lesson. I hope that you will feel sufficiently interested in these to do this.

Yours sincerely,

John Craig

My Dear Mr. J. C. DeRende:

I think it is true that to get the most out of Lesson 3, a knowledge of the elements of chemistry would be of great service. I have sent you a dozen copies of each of the lessons, expect the student to look up the subject in the encyclopedia, or read we have published, and have asked to have sent you also, threebulletins on "Improvement in School Grounds," the subject, and be able to answer the questions more fully. As you progress many of the terms which now appear difficult will become familiar and well understood.

Yours sincerely,

John Craig

Very cordially,

In your letter is alluded to the second lesson sent you, and I am much more in regard to it, but it seemed best not to include it with the present letter, as I think it would be better to send the second lesson with the third. I hope the time will be able to write more in regard to it.

Mrs. M. B. Miller
L6 4 Pine St., in a day or two come from Mr. Brainard, asking that Mr. J. C. DeRende
Mr. J. C. DeRende
Spring Valley, N. Y.
My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the subject of under drainage, but this is practically impossible. You will perhaps be disappointed when you read the lesson to find that specific directions are not given. One can only judge of the needs of their land in this connection by observation and practical test.

The old-fashioned stone drain, through which pipes when considered in connection with the disposal of stone fences and stone piles, has many advantages, but of course it is not nearly so effective as the modern tile drain. Years sincerely, and I concluded that the good to be gained would not be nearly so great, and I could not reasonably ask the expense of all tiles for the work to linear expense. However, I am still ready to do any way that I can, and suggested the other day that when a meeting was held near Ellington, that an evening be given there.

Yours sincerely,

John Craig


Mr. W. Lee Benson
Dundee, N. Y.

I am now answering the letter I sent to you. I agree much more in regard to it; but it seemed best immediately to get acquainted with the women, to be careful.

I have your letter of Jan. 30th. I do not wish to comment on any statement that you have made, as I have not had the opportunity of visiting the school, but I think it would be a good plan to have an evening meeting in the home, where all the women could be present, and I was glad to learn that you have received a number of letters and are arranging a meeting, which I think would be a good plan. I have known many teachers and have had a large number of people interested in the subject. I have been very glad to have a visit with you.

I expect to issue a letter of the care of farm poultry, which I will include in my next issue. I have a large list of readers and I am sure that you would welcome it.

It is an expensive thing to publish, and I concluded that the good to be gained would not compensate for the expense. I could not reasonably ask the department of Cornell University for this work to incur expense. However, I am still ready to serve in any way I can, and suggested the other day that when a meeting was to be held near Ellington, that an evening be given there. A Mrs. M. S. Miller writes that she will come, would advise her to do so. My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I am very glad to receive your letter, and I have arranged for what might be called a Home Institute, in which the women would be interested in a day session, and a meeting for all might be held in the evening when we could have lantern slides. I will the three bulleted bulletins, and that the money be used for their club dues, and a traveling library. I hope they will respond to this if I am interested in it. I have sent you a dozen copies of each of the lessons I have published, and have asked to have sent you also, three bulletins.

I am glad to know that you are interested in our Reading Course among women who will be interested in them. I am much pleased to have you make suggestions. The one you made

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Jan. 31, 1902.
in your letter is slightly noticed in the second lesson which I sent you. I wrote much more in regard to it, but it seemed best inasmuch as we are just getting acquainted with the women, to be careful what we said about the subject. I hope the time will Feb 13, 1902.
can talk more freely about it, and I am sure it will when they learn
My Dear Miss Ladd:
that we are not setting ourselves up as unkind critics. The subject
I was very much pleased to receive your letter
in a most serious one, as I told you from visiting country schools
regarding the Ellington Club and the work of Household Economics.
I am afraid the country children have surroundings which are not
I understand the Ellington people pretty well and took no offense
that they were not enthusiastic in regard to my coming. The secre-
tary wrote me that some were in favor and some opposed, and asked
you. We are always glad when he think that you are a strong friend
me to name a date. I answered the letter saying that I would keep
of the federation. We still need your counsel and helpful thoughts.
the matter in mind, and should an opportunity come, would advise her.
I am glad to place the names which you sent me upon our mailing
list, and thank you for them.
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very cordially yours,
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any way that I can, and suggested the other day that when a meeting
was to be held near Ellington, that an evening be given there. A
letter has within a day or two come from Mr. Brainard, asking that
I be sent for a talk before their grange. I am thinking that we can
arrange for what might be called a Home Institute, in which the women
would be interested in a day session, and a meeting for all might be
held in the evening when we could have lantern slides. I will
suggest that the club women serve supper on that afternoon, charging
a reasonable fee, and that the money be used for their club dues,
and a traveling library. I hope they will respond to this if I am
able to bring it about, and that the club may receive benefits. I
shall not tell them that I have heard from you.

I am glad to know that you are interested in our Reading Course
and am much pleased to have you make suggestions. The one you made
in your letter is slightly noticed in the second lesson which I sent you. I wrote much more in regard to it, but it seemed best inasmuch as we are just getting acquainted with the women, to be careful what we said about the subject. I hope the time will come when we can talk more freely about it, and I am sure it will when they learn that we are not setting ourselves up as unkind critics. The subject is a most serious one, as I well know from visiting country schools. I am afraid that country children have surroundings which are not conducive to their moral and physical growth.

Should I come to Ellington I shall hope to have a visit with you. We are always glad when we think that you are a strong friend of the Federation. We still need your counsel and hopeful thoughts.

I am glad to place the names which you sent me upon our mailing list, and thank you for them.

Very cordially yours,

Feb. 12, 1902.

Mr. J. N. Stowe
Mooers, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

According to your suggestion I am sending you one of the sample lesson and instructions for forming a club. We shall be glad to know that interest has been aroused in the grange, and shall hope to help. I am pleased to learn that you are named as the one who shall start and inspire the first Women's Reading Course among the farmers' wives under the Extension Department of Cornell University. May it live long and prosper.

Will you let me know wherein I can help you?

Very cordially,
Feb. 11, 1902

Mr. W. P. Schultz
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Schultz:

Hurrah for the women of Niagara County! I haven't had time yet to find out which county is ahead, but I think there is but little doubt in regard to it. I shall write you again soon. Did I hurrah for the women? I meant for the men.

I am pleased to know that Miss Harris is to look after the new organization. I shall write her today.

I thank you most cordially for the names you have sent us.

Very cordially,

Feb. 12, 1902.

Mr. J. N. Stowe
Mooers, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

According to your suggestion I am sending to Miss Anna Brill some sample lessons and instructions for forming a club. We shall be glad to know that interest has been aroused in the grange, and shall hope to be of assistance if possible.

Absence from home has made me late in answering your letter. I hope that the lessons will reach Miss Brill in time for the next practical interest. We feel that the more the readers take part in the work the more they will be interested in what is being done and the more they will want lessons of the course.

Yours sincerely,

Feb. 12, 1902.
Mrs. J. W. Taffee
Mrs. Florence W. Jacques
Boise, Idaho
My Dear Mrs. Jacques:

I am sending you the latest on Review Work which you did not receive and during the winter other lessons were mailed to you. It is not because we did not hear from you, but you have not found it necessary to restrict our membership to state women, and shall not do so until the demand is greater from outside. I am therefore sending you a few copies of our Reading Course, and to place your name upon our mailing list. This does work which is provided by a state appropriation, although we have not yet found it necessary to restrict our membership to state women, and shall not do so until the demand is greater from outside. If you will kindly send I am pleased to know that a reading room for farmers' wives has been provided in connection with your city library. As I think that a most wise plan, and hope that you are finding it of great value in to the women who visit your city from the country homes.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Feb. 12, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Chaffee:

I am pleased to send you at the suggestion of Miss Kimball, the first two of the Housewives' Reading Course, and placing your name upon our mailing list for future issues.

Very cordially,
Mrs. J. W. Fawman
405 Ferry St., Y.
Buffalo, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Fawman:

My Dear Mrs. Tiff:

I am sending you the lesson on Sewing Steps.

I am pleased to know that you and other members which you did not receive, and during the winter other lessons will of the Women's Investigating Club are interested in the Cornell work be mailed to you. It is not because we did not hear from you, but in Household Economics. While your Club may desire something which has been through an oversight here that your name was dropped, what less simple than our lessons, nevertheless, we shall hope that I am very glad that you have written me, and I assure you that we they will be suggestive of thought and study, and that they may shall be glad to hear from you—to receive suggestions or to answer prove of practical interest to the members. If you will kindly questions at any time.

send me the names of the members. I will place each one upon our. Should you wish to send us the names of other women who will be mailing list, so that they may receive the lessons as they are pub-interested in the course, I think you will be glad to receive lished. I shall be glad to know of the work which is being done in your Club, and wish you great success in your year's work.

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. C. Hayford
Corn House, Point, N. Y.

Mrs. Flora G. Lyon
My DeCazeneuve, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Lyon: I send under separate cover samples of lessons and circular letter. I take pleasure in placing your name upon our "Fairfax mailing" list, and hope you will be interested in the Course of lessons which we are sending out. The third one of the Course on Physical Education, will reach you soon and I am glad to know that you are interested in that subject. Women who will be interested, we will be glad to receive names of women who are interested in this line of work, and to send them the lessons of the Course.

It is the year 1902 of New York State.

Very cordially,
Feb. 12, 1902.

Mrs. E. C. Lowman
Nichols, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Lowman:

I am sending you the lesson on Sowing Stocks which you did not receive, and during the winter other lessons will be mailed to you. It is not because we did not hear from you, but must have been through an oversight here that your name was dropped.

I am very glad that you have written me, and I assure you that we shall be glad to hear from you—to receive suggestions or to answer questions at any time.

Should you wish to send us the names of other women who will be interested in the Course, I assure you we shall be glad to receive them.

Of regular work of the Club, it would hardly be expected to accomplish a great amount of work in this line, but sufficient to keep an interest in economic subjects. Possibly the lessons which are sent out from Mrs. H. C. Hayford, Rouses Point, N. Y., seem quite simple to the women of your Club, but are not so simple in any way, they may not be without their value.

If you will send under separate cover samples of lessons and circular letters giving suggestions regarding the formation of a Farmers' Wives' Club, and shall be glad if you are successful in awakening an interest in this work in your Grange. If it is suited to their needs.

If you will send us the names of women who will be interested, we will be glad to place them upon our free mailing list so that they may receive the work as it is published.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]

Feb. 14, 1902.

Mrs. F. C. Plowman
Nichols, N. Y.
Feb. 14, 1902.

Mrs. Daniel C. Harrington
Mallory, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Mallory: In reply to your letter I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, Mrs. E. C. Parshert. 295 Lafayette St., N. Y. C.

No special arrangement is made for sending out seeds from the University, only a few agricultural seeds have been sent out from the Department of Cooperative Experimenting. Should you wish to of the Investigating Club that you have been appointed to take charge of anything of this kind, write to Experiment Station, Cornell University, of the department of Domestic Science in your Club. I am greatly interested in the line of work. If you will send me the names of the members of the Investigating Club I shall be pleased to send them the lessons as they are published. I also have sent you some of the Nature-Study work as an appointment of Mrs. Parshert to the Department of Home Science. You will no doubt be interested in it. Should you desire to send the names of other women in the city, or out, we should be pleased to place them upon our free mailing list.

Let me know if we can be of assistance to you in any way.

Thanking you for your letter, I am, very cordially,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Remsen
My dear Mrs. Mallory:

I have received your article upon "Reading in the Home" and can assure you it is of interest, and well named upon the mailing list for the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and work of this kind is a subject which we wish to pay more and more attention to and hope that you will be interested in the lessons.

No special arrangement is made for sending out seeds from the University, only as some agricultural seeds have been sent out from the Department for cooperative experimentation. Should you wish to do anything of this kind, write to Experiment Station, Cornell University, and tell them just what you wish to try. This has been in the line of grains, potatoes, etc.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Feb. 14, 1902.

Mrs. Emma Williams

My dear Mrs. Mallory:

I wish you a very pleasant New Year. It will do me no harm to have your Family Essay Mrs. Risley:

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Feb. 14, 1902.

Your letter has afforded me a great deal of interest, and I am very greatly obliged to you for the list of names Mrs. Esther A. Cristie

Mrs. Laura F. Balliett. The conditions under which you have carried Mrs. Emma Williams

My dear Mrs. Balliett:

I want to thank you most heartily for the list of names which you have pleased to receive your letter advising me of the appointment of Mrs. Payensort to the Department of Home Economics in your Club. I have written her, and am sending literature which may possibly be of some use to her in this work. I hope you will be pleased with the suggestion of Dr. Denton regarding Nature Study in the farm home. I believe that it not only affords a great deal of useful information for farmers' families, but gives them a greater charm in nature.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Feb. 14, 1902.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. Mattie Douglas
Ravenwood, Mo.
My Dear Mrs. Douglas:

I have received your article upon "Reading in the Home" and want to assure you it is full of interest, and well written. This is a subject which we wish to pay more and more attention to, and I shall urge your article as an inspiration to those who need and are interested in this line of work.

Thanking you for the interest you have taken, I am, very cordially,

My dear Sir:

I wish you a very pleasant winter's work. It will, I doubt, prove a pleasure to do so. I shall hope to hear from you, and you may feel free to ask for whatever you consider necessary to give.

Very cordially,

Feb. 14, 1902.

Mrs. S. H. Risley: a pleasure to do so.

Very cordially,

Feb. 16, 1902.

Your letter has afforded me a great deal of interest, and I am very greatly obliged to you for the list of names which you have carried.

Mr. and Mrs. Risley, who have been trying, and have at the same time developed in Pows to thank you most heartily for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. Your interest in this we greatly appreciate, and hope that the women whose names you have sent will be greatly interested in the work.

We shall be glad to hear from you at any time, and hope you will ask any questions, or offer suggestions. We want the women to feel that the course is theirs, and welcome all communications from them.

Very cordially,

Feb. 16, 1902.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Feb. 19, 1902.

My dear Mr. Willard,

I am very much interested in your letter and in the work which you have suggested for the work of the Extension Department, and I have placed your name upon the mailing list for the farmer's wife's course. This is provided especially for the state of New York, still it is possible to send some copies of the state work which we are pleased to do to those who are interested in household affairs, and some literary work besides, and if you send me your work this year, and you will then know whether it is possible to do so. I shall hope to hear from you again this year, and you may feel free to ask for any assistance within our power to give.

Very, sincerely,

Jesse Morrison
Sherman, N. Y.

Feb. 18, 1902.

My dear Mr. Willard,

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My dear Mrs. Risley:

Your letter has afforded me a great deal of interest, and I am very greatly obliged to you for the list of names which you have sent. The conditions under which you have carried on the work of the farmer's wife have been trying, and have at the same time developed in you, as it has in a great many other women, a strength which is greatly to be admired, and which commands the respect of people who have been most shocked. There is work about the farm home which is exceedingly trying, but at the same time it is a noble one, and brings a great many blessings to other people.

Personally, I have a great deal of interest in this kind of life, and consider that a woman who faithfully attends to her household is a queen among women.

The answers to quizzes which you sent were very excellent, and I am glad you are interested in the course.

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Very, sincerely,

Jesse Morrison
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My Dear Mr. Morrison:

I am very much interested in your letter and in the work which your society has undertaken. I am pleased to send you fourteen copies of our first lesson, and would suggest that the work provided for the New York state farmers' wives be far you send me the names of your members that they may be placed upon our free mailing list. This work is in the line of household affairs, and possibly you will want some literary work besides, and send you our work this year, and you will then know whether it is desirable for future study. There will be no charge during this year, and should it prove of value to you, we can correspond later and you may feel free to ask for any assistance within our power to give.

I wish you a very pleasant winter's work. It will prove a pleasant recreation in the midst of the busy life in the farm home.

Very cordially,

Mr. J. H. Brownson
Bath, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

I want to thank you for your letter regarding the introduction of the Women's Reading Course into the Grange. It is desirable to form a Club in your Grange that women may join in reading and discuss the lessons. I send you the names of any women who may be interested, and let us place their names upon the list. If you will kindly send me the names of women who would like the lessons, I will be pleased to place their names upon the free mailing list, and they will receive the lessons direct.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very truly,

Let me know in any way that we can aid you. I shall be greatly interested to know how the work progresses in your Grange.

Very cordially,
Mrs. O. K. Rhodes  
Etna, N. Y.  

My Dear Mrs. Rhodes:  

Mrs. E. B. Bell  
609 Brown Ave.,  
Butler, Pa.  

I am very greatly pleased to know that the  

women were interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. If  

you will send me a list of names of women who would like to receive  

the lessons, we shall be very glad to place your name upon our mailing list. I  

send you some copies of our first two lessons, and have placed your name upon our mailing list. I would suggest that you let us  

send you our work this year, and you will then know whether it is  

desirable for future study. There will be no charge during this  

year, and should it prove of value to you we can correspond later  

and be pleased to have you contribute your experience. We are  

what I have been doing in those matters.  

Thank you for the invitation, however, as I am in the midst of my spring  

travel, and it will be hard for me to start in time to go to Albany, as delightful as that would be to me.  

Mrs. Minnie L. Wright  
Exeter, N. Y.  

I am very glad to hear that you are considering the Women's Reading Course into the Grange. I  

hope you will find it interesting. And if you can awaken  

interest in the household, so that the work will be furthered by practical  

interference, it can be arranged.  

Let us know from you if you can be of assistance in any way.  

I send you a separate circular letter relating to the Course.  

Let me know in any way that you can aid us. I shall be greatly  

interested to know how the work progresses in your Grange.  

Very cordially,
Mrs. O. K. Rhodes
Etna, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Rhodes:

I am very greatly pleased to know that the women were interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. If you will send me a list of names of women who would like to receive the lessons, we shall be very glad to place them upon our free mailing list. I send you some lessons, but believe it would be far better to send us the names so that we can put each woman on the list, and have her receive the lessons as they are issued. You will have to be governed by conditions in your own Grange, and use the work as seems best fitted to the program, etc.

Rest assured that if we can aid you in any way it will be a pleasure to do so. We shall be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Cleave

Mrs. A. R. Gurnie
Marion, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Gurnie:

I am glad to know that you are considering the introduction of the Women's Reading Course into the Grange. I hope you will find it interesting, and that you can awaken discussion upon these matters pertaining to the household, so that the women of the Grange will find them not only interesting but of practical value. The experience of each woman will help the others, and I hope they will express themselves freely.

If you will send me a list of names, I will be very glad to place them upon our free mailing list.

I send under separate cover samples of lessons and circular letter relating to the Course.

Let me know in any way that we can aid you. I shall be greatly interested to know how the work progresses in your Grange.

Very cordially,
Feb. 20, 1902.

Mr. Wm. F. Schultz
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

My Dear Mr. Schultz:

My Dear Miss Fletcher:

Prof. Craig has told me of your desire to use your notice for the Saranac paper, and I have enclosed it in letters to Saranac women who have contributed largely to their happiness. Thereafter you may well feel that you have not yet received the schedule of Teachers' Institutes, but believe it was to be out by the 20th of this month. However there are always delays in these matters.

I see my way clear to reach Lake Placid with you Monday, March 3d, and will probably meet you in Utica as I shall hardly be able to a friend in Buffalo and meet it start in time to go to Albany, as delightful as that would be to me.

Thank you for the invitation, however. Doubtless during my spring travels I shall look in upon you often—only trying not to wear out to your jealous in using it, and get the right name on.

I am glad to know that the stereopticon talk can be arranged.

I am trying to reach that item in my work, and before this letter goes will suggest a subject for the evening talk.

Mr. W. L. Rathbone
Randolph, N. Y.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Mr. W. L. Rathbone
Fred. Van Renselaar.

Feb. 20, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Dewey:

I like your notice for the Saranac paper, and the opportunity to receive the Saranac paper, and shall find it useful in later work. I think we shall arrange for a home Institute soon in Chautauqua County, and I will keep your reference to Fort Henry. I have not yet received the schedule of Teachers' Institutes, but believe it was to be out by the 20th of March. However there are always delays in these matters.

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Very sincerely,

[Signature]
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Mr. Wm. F. Schultz
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Fletcher:
I am writing the you:

Prof. Craig handed me a clipping from a paper—a poem by Miss Sangster. I want to thank you for this, and assure you that it not only is inspiring to me, but I intend to give others the opportunity to receive the same benefit. I have had it mimeographed, and shall enclose it in letters to farmers' wives when I feel that it is appropriate. Therefore you may well feel that you have contributed largely toward their happiness.

Prof. Craig told me of your communication regarding the picture in the "Courier." I have not seen it, but told the editor of the women's page, who requested it, that she could get a picture from a friend in Buffalo and use it.

I was amused when I learned from you that I had changed my name. Should you really think it any addition to a paper, I would trust to your judgment in using it, and get the right name on.

Very truly,

Martha Va. Renselar

Mrs. T. W. Davey
Marcellus, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Davey:

Mr. W. L. Rathbone
Randolph, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Rathbone:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I am delighted to know that the work is to be introduced into your State, and I sincerely hope it will be a success.

Prof. Craig, of our Extension Department, suggests that you write Mr. N. E. Kneely, 33 Boye St., N. Y., for information about the pumpkins. He has a canning factory at that place. He says he has never seen anything published on the subject, and I think he has as wide a knowledge of these things as any one here.

Very sincerely,

Martha Va. Renselar
Feb. 20, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Davey:

Miss Lena B. Fletcher enclosed here a letter from Mr. Spencer.

It gives you an idea of a situation better than I can explain it.

My Dear Miss Fletcher:

I am writing the young lady today, asking her to call upon me so that I can get an idea of her personality and probable ability.

I am going to Lake Placid the first week in March and can tell Mrs. Davey about you.

After I return I will be able to advise you concerning the probable chance of your obtaining work at Lake Placid.

Very cordially,

Mrs. I. W. Davey
Marcellus, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Turner:

Women's Reading Course. In reply to your request for a catalogue of the Women's Department of Cornell University let me say that there is no such department, as such, in the University, although many women are pursuing the course here provided for both young men and women.

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I am delighted to know that the work is to be introduced into your Grange, and I sincerely hope it will prove interesting and of practical value.

Will you advise me whenever we can be of assistance to you?

Very cordially,

Mrs. I. W. Davey
Marcellus, N. Y.
My Dear Mrs. Dewey:

I enclose hereon a letter from Mr. Spencer. It gives you an idea of a situation better than I can explain it.

I am writing the young lady today, asking her to call upon me so that I can get an idea of her personality and probable ability.

I will be able when I come to Lake Placid to tell you more about her.

I am not supposed to know very much about political conventions, but I have heard something about "dark horses" and I believe Niagara County must be very strong in that, as they may receive the vote of some of the women of your county. I will place upon the road stretch."

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Miss Nellie M. Turner - do I approve of betting, but if any one were to wager a Club is raised in the old part of the city, chances are most excellent for Niagara.

My Dear Miss Turner:

In reply to your request for a catalogue of the Women's Reading Course, although one county to next, and Niagara County, although there is such a department as called in the University, although many women are pursuing the Courses here, provided for both young men and women together. Therefore, I have all faith in the work of most of the young women here is at that is called Sage College, but their instruction is not separate from that of the boys. There is provided in the University Extension Department a Course for women to be carried on by correspondence and printed lessons on household affairs, county, and have always have a warm feeling.

I have placed your name upon our free mailing list, and hope you will find some pleasure and profit in the work.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

P.S. I have placed your name upon our free mailing list, and hope you will find some pleasure and profit in the work.
Feb. 21, 1902.

Mrs. John H. Wood
New Hackensack, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Wood:

I am very glad to know that you are experimented in keeping your home clean. Mrs. Schultz's course, and I hope it may be introduced into Mrs. Jane's, Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Schultz:

I am not supposed to know very much about political conventions, but I have heard something about "dark horses" and I believe Niagara County must be planning to win on the "home stretch." I said I was not supposed to know anything about political conventions, neither do I approve of betting, but if any one were to wager I think the chances are most excellent for Niagara County. In other words, Chautauqua leads in membership for the Women's Reading Course, Cattaraugus County is next, and Niagara County third. Chautauqua, 468; Cattaraugus, 429; Niagara 381.

We would much rather Niagara County would be the winning County in the end and Chautauqua ahead now, than that Niagara should be ahead now and Chautauqua take the prize. Therefore, I have all faith in the women, and permit me to say the men too, of Niagara County, and this year and very soon. I want to consider some of the best ways have great faith in what they can do.

Will you kindly, if opportunity presents, extend my most cordial greetings, and allow me to say that my maiden attempts in farmers' do indeed practical things. This idea arose from a suggestion of gratifying your own and perhaps I am taking undue liberty in trying to carry it out. We would like our friends to write upon some subject that meetings have been in that County, and I shall always have a warm interest them especially, and I would be glad if you would furnish feeling for its residents.

With about two hundred words in description of the best mode of doing some part of housework—on cleaning of a room, making beds, washing dishes, etc. This is to be written for one who does her own work and has but one pair of hands with which to do it. If it suits your convenience, will you please send me this early, because the season is so far advanced that we need to get these lessons out as soon as possible.

Hoping it is not too much of a tax upon you, I am,
Feb. 25, 1902.

Mrs. John H. Wood
New Hackensack, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Wood:

I am very glad to know that you have concentrated
in the Women's Reading Course, and I hope it may be introduced into
Mrs. Jeannette C. Miller
the Grange, Albany, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Wood, some sample copies of lessons together with circulars
showing how a Club may be organized. If you should find that it
is not desirable to form a Club this winter, if you will send the
names of the women of your Grange, I will place them upon the free
mailing list in order that they may receive the literature. This
I would like to do whether a Club is formed or not.

Please write me if at any time we can be of assistance to you.

Very cordially,

Mary M. Radcliffe
Feb. 25, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Shailer:

In one of the lessons which we are to publish
this year, and very soon, I want to consider some of the best ways
of doing practical things. This idea arose from a suggestion of
years, and perhaps I am taking an undue liberty in trying to carry
it out. We would like our friends to write upon some subject that
interests them especially, and I would be glad if you would furnish
us with about two hundred words in description of the best mode of
doing some part of housework—as cleaning of a room, making beds,
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own work and has but one pair of hands with which to do it. If it
suits your convenience, will you please send me this early, because
the season is so far advanced that we need to get these lessons out
as soon as possible.

Hoping it is not too much of a tax upon you, I am,

Very cordially,

Mary M. Radcliffe
Feb. 26, 1902.

I take pleasure in this letter to inform you that I am very glad to receive your letter endorsing my plans for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Jeannette O. Miller
4 Pine St., Albany, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Miller:

I very much appreciate your letter of the 19th inst., and am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course.

It was a pleasant coincidence that you accidentally mentioned the names of Mr. Rankin, whom with his family I have learned to appreciate highly.

I shall be pleased to receive the names of any farmers' wives or women interested in the Course, and to place them upon our mailing list. I will make copies of your letter to those interested in their reaching women whom they may think of some benefit to. Your suggestion regarding the difference in some cases between farmers and their wives interested me, and I have no doubt but that you are correct in your idea. It is a most interesting field in which to work. We have every reason to be grateful for the response which has come from the women of this state.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Renselaar
My Dear Mrs. McNeive:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. If you will send us the names of your two daughters, to whom you will wish this Course to be sent, we will be very glad to have your names placed upon the list. We sincerely hope this will be of practical interest to them, and that it may relieve some home problems.

My Dear Mrs. Taylor:

I am in receipt of your cordial letter regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and advise you that our lessons will be more convenient for us to have each name on the list. This winter are late in being published. We expect to send out about three new lessons, and the third in the Course will reach you very soon. I am sure you will be interested, and should you wish to send us the names of any other women who would like the Course, we will gladly place them upon our mailing list.

The Farmers' Reading Course consists of three years' work. If you have received the lessons for three years, you have all that is now provided for that Course, although you will wish to study any special lines of agriculture, as fruit growing, dairying, poultry keeping, or agriculture, you may write Prof. John Craig of Cornell University, who will be pleased to help you in this respect.

Very cordially,

My Dear Mrs. Outhank:

I am very glad to receive your letter containing our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. If you will send us the names of any other women to whom you may wish this Course to be sent, we will be very glad to have your names placed upon the list. We sincerely hope this will be of practical interest to them, and that it may relieve some home problems.

My Dear Mrs. J. N. Taylor, Frewsburg, N. Y.:

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Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. Lizzie T. McNeive
Mrs. G. Holly Wright, Kansas City, Mo.
Feb. 1, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. McNeive:
My Dear Mrs. Outhank:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. If you wish to send us the names of your two daughters, to whom you will kindly send us the names of your two daughters, to whom you wish the lessons sent, we will place them also upon the list. Our lists are so long that it will be hard to keep a record showing how they are used. I want to thank you particularly for your personal interest and interest in the work of the farmers' wives, and assure you that if I can be of any assistance in your work as a Club, or in connection with the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, I will be more convenient for us to have each name on the list. This is provided by state appropriation, and intended for women within the state. However, we are able for a time at least to include those from out of the state who have made application.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Mary P. Calvert
206 E. Main St.,
Spartanburg, S. C.

My Dear Mrs. Calvert:

I am sending you today a package containing printed matter which we have in connection with our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and have placed your name upon our mailing list. I am also sending a copy of our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and have placed your name upon our mailing list. If you are interested in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, you will be pleased to call the attention of the club to this. If you have any printed matter regarding your organization or movement, I would be very glad to receive it and should like to know more about it. I am very interested in Federations of Women's Clubs, and take pleasure in sending you the directory of our W. N. Y. Federation of an exchange with you, as we would like to know more about your organization.

Very cordially,

Very truly,

[Signature]
Dear Mrs. Outhank,

I am very glad to receive your letter containing a list of names of women to whom we may send the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I sincerely hope this will be of practical interest to them, and be suggestive of help which may relieve some home problems. I want to thank you particularly for your personal interest, and assure you that if I can be of any assistance in your work as well as of the Club, or in connection with the work of these lessons, it will be a pleasure to me to do so. I hope that your Club is having a very prosperous and pleasant year's work.

With cordial greetings, I am,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Feb. 26, 1902.

[Address]

Mr. 1, 1902.
Mar. 1, 1902.
Mrs. Sadie Robinson  
My dear Mrs. Dean:

My Dear Mrs. Robinson: I think the Junior Naturalist work will be just the thing for your club of boys. It is the right time in the year to start them, and they will get a great deal more out of the fishing and tramping expeditions this spring if they are interested in observing nature. When I was a little girl in Randolph I kept the windings of the Conewango Creek and the woods about the village as well as most of the boys, but it was a constant source of regret to me that I was not directed in my observations to get the beginnings of science.

Mr. Spencer, who is Uncle John to thousands of children in the state, will write you the first of the week. He will give full directions for forming a Junior Naturalist Club. They have one in the W. N. Y. Home, and I am anxious to have him come here sometime to see the Home, and if you wish to form a boys' club, that would be another reason for his visiting Randolph. I will send you a complete set of the Nature-Study work and then will leave him to arrange for the organization of the club, provided they wish to take it up. Is waid Jimmie, or John McLaughlin? I do not remember which.

(a we call him sunshine) has read these leaflets for two or three years and evidently gained a good deal from them. My lesson which has just been sent out on Saving Very cordially,

Your letter suggests to me that sometime it would be well to have a lesson published on the dress question. When you have time and feel like it, I wish you would write us again. Your suggestions are valuable.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Arthur Tasker
Albion, S. D.

My Dear Mrs. Tasker:

Mrs. Sadie Robinson
Mrs. MacDonald, N. Y., Chautauqua office, has been forwarded to me, and
Sinclairville, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Robinson:

Your letter of Feb. 3d, which has arrived.

Mar. 1, 1902.

Mar. 1, 1902.

I am very much interested in your letter regarding the Women’s Reading Course. I always feel sorry when a
woman has to work in an inconvenient house, but such difficulties
are hard to remedy. It takes an immense amount of courage to do
the work required and not to lose spirit. I hope you will keep
your health, and believe it is better to let some work go than to
acquaintance with, I send you the material which we have not sent
overdo. It is unfortunate that help cannot be secured more easily.

Your suggestions about dress reform are excellent. Women are
that you may wish. You have had a long experience with the work
learning that freedom of body is a great advantage in work and
and a very successful one. I assure you your suggestions will be
recreation. I believe it is no longer considered refined to have
valued most highly.

a wasp-like waist. A girl with abounding health, well developed
A request came from Ellington for me to come there, and I be-
muscles and freedom of movement is much more charming than one who
lieve an arrangement is being made by which I can go to other places
is restricted by clothing, nervous in her movements, and lacking
the same week. Should I meet you on that trip I shall be pleased.
spirit from ill health. I, too, rejoice in the shirt-waist, and
If there is any literature in any of our departments which you would
believe that the new style of waist is a blessing to womankind. for
like at any time, I should be glad to give it my personal attention.
she cannot stand back on her heels with the strain on her back, and
wear this waist as it should be worn—with a long front effect and
abdomen back.

I hope you will be interested in the third lesson which has
just been sent out on Saving Strength.

Your letter suggests to me that sometime it would be well to
have a lesson published on the dress question. When you have time
and feel like it, I wish you would write us again. Your suggestions
are valuable. Very cordially,
Mrs. Arthur Tasker
Albee, C. D.

My Dear Mrs. Tasker:

Your letter of Feb. 5d, which was overlooked

My Dear Mrs. Lord:

I want to thank you for your interest in the Housewives' Reading Course. I am interested in the question which you have asked concerning the school house and have jotted down some suggestions, and note that you sent for work pertaining to our Women's Reading Course, and it may be interesting to readers of the Chautauqua, I think I shall answer the question through the columnize you at once as one whom I have had a pleasant though slight acquaintance with. I send you the material which we have had printed, and shall be glad to furnish you with extra copies of anything that you may wish.

Hoping to hear from you in regard to any other questions or suggestions, I am, very cordially,

A request came from Ellington for me to come there, and I believe an arrangement is being made by which I can go to other places the same week. Should I meet you on that trip I shall be pleased.

If there is any literature in any of our departments which you would like at any time, I should be glad to give it my personal attention.

Very cordially,

Your sincerely,

Mrs. Robert P. March

March 1, 1902.
Mrs. Arttair Taaker
Albee, S. D.

My Dear Mrs. Tasker:

Your letter of Feb. 3d, which was overlooked for a time in the Chautauqua office, has been forwarded to me, and I want to thank you for your interest in the Housewives' Reading Course. I am interested in the question which you have asked concerning the schoolhouse and have jotted down some suggestions, and want to add to it still. I will, as soon as it is ready, send you a copy, but as the question may be interesting to readers of the Chautauquan, I think I shall answer the question through the columns of that magazine. However the material has to be furnished two months ahead. I will not keep you waiting, but will send you the copy now, or as soon as it is ready.

Hoping to hear from you in regard to any other questions or suggestions, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Robert P. March
Ithaca
313 W. 6th Av.,
Topeka, Kans.

My Dear Mrs. March:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our mailing list for the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University, and will continue you upon the list until it is necessary to restrict our membership. I hope you will find some suggestions of interest and value in these lessons, and want to say that much of our work is carried on by correspondence, so that if you wish to write us at any time we shall be glad to answer questions or receive suggestions.

Very cordially,
My dear Mrs. Reading:

I wish I had time to write you all about the

[Partial text]

March 15, 1902.

My dear Mr. Dewey:

In reply to your letter let me say that I am

scheduled for a Teachers' Institute at Waterloo on the 4th of April

and my work lasts until noon of that day. According to time

have you have them to mark and to use as you think best. I believe

that there is something in store concerning this line of work, and

the more we agitate and have faith in its possibilities the better.

The ideal way is to get a department in connection with the Univer-

sity, but that failing, we may be able to start out in some other

line.

I hope to meet Mrs. Dewey in Utica tomorrow, and shall start

If we should agree upon the date, I shall be very glad to talk to

at seven A.M. with that in view. However the changes are small

the children in the school, as it is always a pleasure for me to

for getting beyond Syracuse or Geneva. There is but one way out of

Ithaca today. We are getting but little mail, and can't even get

for your kind invitation, and assure you that if by time were per-

hold of a New York paper. The most direct route to Utica may not

be open for a week. My telegram to Mrs. Dewey today, was to see

how much time I might take if necessary to get there. I shall

probably reach there by sleeper, if I can get through at all tomorrow.

I hope it may be possible for you to join us, because a man is very

necessary for this enterprise.

Very truly,

[Signature]

[Address]

Martha Van Rensselaer
pages 281-286 are missing
My dear Mrs. Reading:

I wish I had time to write you all about the
Home Institute at Lake Placid last week, but will send you a copy of an account of it as soon as one is published. Upon coming home
Mr. F. E. Dawley,
Albany, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Dawley:

In reply to your letter let me say that I am
scheduled for a Teachers' Institute at Waterloo on the 4th of April, and my work lasts until noon of that day. According to time tables I see no way to reach Fayetteville in time for an afternoon meeting, as I infer it is a day meeting instead of an evening one. If I could reach there in time I should be very glad to arrange for that date, but if trains and street cars were on time I could probably
be there before 3:30. I am sorry, too, to say that on the
21st of March I have agreed to be at a Grange in Chautauqua County. If we should agree upon the date, I shall be very glad to talk to
the children in the school, as it is always a pleasure for me to meet the teachers and pupils. I want to thank you and Mrs. Dawley for your kind invitation, and assure you that if my time were per
mitting, I shall be very much pleased to remain over night with you in your home.

My dear Sir,

I am sorry that you have to be put to so much trouble in ar
ranging a date for me, because I know you are more than occupied
with the spring Institutes.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Mar. 13, 1902.
My dear Mrs. Reading:

I wish I had time to write you all about the Home Institute at Lake Placid last week, but will send you a copy of an account of it as soon as one is published. Upon coming home I find that I have not been able to say anything positive in regard to a Home Institute for your locality, because as yet the improvements, etc. are uncertain. It has now been decided that we probably can hold one more this spring, and I give you what information perhaps you will need in order to determine whether you desire the Institute.

The edition of Saving Strength is practically exhausted, and a new edition must be had, but I cannot say how soon. I will send, however, other lessons. We have two in press at present, and an arrangement would be given on Food Values, Physical Education in housework, etc. for furnishing out copies at present not very complete, but it is one of the things we must arrange for very soon.

Mrs. Dewey is getting a report of this work ready to be published. I would like to have a copy of this report, and if I do not get it this spring, it can come next year. It probably would last two or three days. A cooking teacher would be in attendance and give two demonstration lessons a day if desired.

I have been unable to say anything positive in regard to a Home Institute for your locality, because as yet the cultural Department for, we shall be able to hold only one more of these meetings this year, and the time and place for that has not been determined. You certainly could have one in your section, and if it is not best to have it this spring, it can come next year.

I would like to have the Institute under these circumstances. We would prepare to have it held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and I will say that I am interested in the subject which you have suggested to me, "The Handy Man about the House." You will be conferring a great favor upon the world in placing this subject before your readers. I shall be glad to give the matter attention, and if I can provide anything which will be of use in your columns, it will be a pleasure to do so. I can tell better after I have tried, and will give it attention as soon as possible.

Thanking you for the suggestion, I am, very cordially,

Very truly,

[Signature]
My dear Mrs. Shapleigh:

I enclose copy of a letter to a woman who desires a Home Institute near Middletown. Provided we can arrange for this in other respects, would you be able to go on that date two

Mar. 15, 1002.

Mrs. Katharine S. B. Dunn

Middletown, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

My dear Mrs. Scott:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the last of

Mar. 13, 1902.

Mrs. Robert Scott

Middletown, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Dunn:

I have been unable to say anything positive in regard to a Home Institute for your locality, because as yet the funds are uncertain. It has now been decided that we probably can have one more this spring, and I give you what information perhaps

would be for the benefit of a general audience. Some instruction

hands which will be furnished in larger numbers. Our arrange

would be given on Food Values, Physical Education in Housework,

Home Improvements, etc. The expense to be borne locally would be

complete, but it is one of the things we must arrange for very soon.

for a building, heating and lighting, cooking materials probably to

I would say to have even with this limited number, all members of

of five dollars, and the provision of some cooking utensils

the National Association residing in the state receive a copy, even

which would include a store. I of course do not know that you

If we do not get a new edition, but I cannot see how that can be done

could arrange it, but this will give you an idea of the probable

unless they are already on our mailing list and have been supplied,

expense, and I would like to have you write me whether you desire

I will write you again regarding this subject as soon as anything

the Institute under these circumstances. We would prepare to have

to speak in Middletown at a Teachers' Institute Mar. 28th. Would that

date be too early for you to make arrangements? I cannot promise

it because I must find out whether the cooking teacher is available

for that time, but if she is and you can get word to me immediately,

I think arrangements can be made.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
My dear Mrs. Shapleigh:

I enclose copy of a letter to a woman who desires a Horse Institute near Herkimer. Provided we can arrange for this in other respects would you be able to go there at least two

Mar. 13, 1902.

Mrs. Katharine S. B. Dunn

My suggestion regarding the last of

Mar. 13, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the Farmers’ Wives’ Leaflets. Our edition of Saving Strength we intended to have last through this year, expecting to have a new edition next year. Upon inquiry I find we have but fifty copies left, and I have on my desk single applications for as many copies with more applications coming every day. I have just discovered this difficulty and cannot say at this writing what we will do, but I hope a new edition will follow immediately. If it does not, it will come early in the fall. We have two lessons in the printer’s hands which will be furnished us in larger numbers. Our arrangement for furnishing out of state people is at present not very complete, but it is one of the things we must arrange for very soon.

I would like to have even with this limited number, all members of the National Association residing in the state receive a copy, even if we do not get a new edition, but I cannot see how that can be done and sent them to us, because I find in them very much of unless they are already on our mailing list and have been supplied. I will write you again regarding this subject as soon as anything is done, and I hope to consult Mrs. Learn regarding the matter as soon as I can see her.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

I am very glad that you have answered the question and sent them to us, because I find in them very much of unless they are already on our mailing list and have been supplied. I must write you again regarding this subject as soon as anything is done, and I hope to consult Mrs. Learn regarding the matter as soon as I can see her.

Thanking you for your kind words of encouragement, I am, and appreciate your interest.

Very cordially,

Martha Fa. Russell

Very cordially,

Martha Fa. Russell
My dear Miss Shapleigh:

I enclose copy of a letter to a woman who desires a Home Institute near Herkimer. Provided we can arrange for this in other respects would you be able to go for at least two days, and possibly three. My suggestion regarding the last of March is only because I shall be in that locality Friday of that week. However, I shall go through Utica a dozen times, probably, during the spring, and can reach Herkimer the last of next month, to week if it is better for you.

I trust that you have had a busy week and that you and the course of much interest and benefit from breathing the mountain and to hold air of Placid for a week. Personally I feel that I have a new lease of life, which I hope will last at least until I see my way through the work which we plan for the rest of this year is immature, but I should like to satisfy your needs and to some extent on a business basis. Very cordially, suggest that a dollar will cover the expense of twenty-five or thirty copies of each lesson, if you wish to use them in a club. I cannot promise, however, for copies in large numbers; the first edition of Saving Strength can be furnished in as large numbers as we have at hand a few copies.

Mrs. J. L. Barker
Munda, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Barker,

I am very glad that you have answered the questions and sent them to us, because I find in them very much of interest. Your work is one of great usefulness, and although it is one which keeps one always busy, it is a fortunate thing that times have changed in regard to women's work, although they are still pretty busy people. We are very glad to hear from our readers, and appreciate your interest. Should you wish to send the names of any women who would like the Women's Reading Course, we should be glad to place them upon our free mailing list.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Miss Bessie E. Pierce
Marmora, Ontario.

My dear Miss Pierce:

Your letter of Feb. 27th has been referred to me and I am sending you copies of the Housewives' Reading Course, and more will be received by you later. I hope you will find the Course of much interest, and I assure you it will be a pleasure to hear from you at any time that you will write us. A reduction will be made for copies in lots of twenty-five or thirty.

Our plans for this work this year are immature, but I should like to satisfy your needs this year, and next year this will be placed upon a business basis. However, I would suggest that a dollar will cover the expense of twenty-five or thirty copies of each lesson, if you wish to use them in a club. I cannot promise, however, that the lesson on Saving Strength can be furnished in as large a number, as our first edition is just about exhausted, and I do not know whether a new edition will follow this year.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

P.S. Regarding your date at your Grange.

Very truly,

[Signature]
My dear Mr. Dewey:

I hope you have become and helped to ed the

President W. J. Kerr
Logan, Utah.

My dear Sir:

Your letter asking for information concerning the Farm.

Mr. F. F. Dawley
Albany, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Dawley:

I enclose herewith a letter to a woman near Herkimer who had read that Home Institutes were within the reach of those communities desiring them. Mrs. Dewey called my attention to a notice in the "New York Post" telling of a plan to hold these Institutes. We infer that Mrs. Shailer wrote it. We both feel that so long as so little can be done at present, it would be well not to make any public promises, but this notice probably will do no harm. The request came and I have answered according to the enclosed letter. Mrs. Dewey thought possibly you would find it possible to have one more this season to take the place of the proposed one at Saranac, which we did not have. Expense therefore will not be reported to you thus far, except the one at Lake Placid. I wanted you to know how I was writing this woman, so that if you would prefer that we should not attempt another on account of expenses, I may be able to so advise upon the receipt of an answer to the letter enclosed. I will send a copy of this letter and the other one enclosed to Fayetteville, as you will want to know as soon as possible regarding my date at your grange.

Very truly,

[Signature]
My dear Mrs. Dewey:

I hope you have become accustomed to this sphere of life and manage to keep it for you. I certainly feel that I have a natural inclination to it.

My dear Sir:

In your latter asking for information concerning the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, I have referred to my letter and take pleasure in sending you what printed material we have already circulated, and have placed your name upon our mailing list. Should you wish to ask more particularly any questions, I should be glad to give them attention.

Very truly yours,

Mar. 14, 1903.

Mrs. E. M. Lonka
National, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lonka:

I like your suggestion contained in your letter of March 8th, and believe that you will find a great deal of satisfaction in discussing household affairs. One woman stimulates the thought of another, and really very excellent ideas are gained by such discussions. The social part may be had at the same time.

I send you some printed matter regarding our work, and would suggest that you send me the names of the women of your company, and we will place them upon the mailing list so that all will receive the leaflets as they are published. I was away when your letter came and am sorry to be so late in answering, but would suggest that you send me the November lesson. I will send eighteen copies so that all may be provided with one, and the names can afterwards be sent to me to be enrolled for further lessons.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

Wishing you a great deal of success and assuring you that your interest in the Women's Club will prove one of pleasure and profit,

Very cordially,

Logan, Utah
My. J. Kerr
President

March 14, 1903.
Mar. 14, 1907

My dear Mrs. Dawley:

I hope you have become accustomed to this sphere and find yourself much better for your trip. I certainly feel that to whom it may concern:

I have a new lease of life and propose to keep it for all. It is a good thing as I found more than the usual accumulation of mail in Canterbury County for several years, and I have all of the mail and work. I have written Mrs. Shailer in a general way, but will write her more specifically and Mr. Dawley as I was writing him in My regard to a meeting of her group. I have written Miss Shailt in

know if she could spare two or three days to go to the class near

working and to the woman who made the request for an Institute.

And I ask Mr. Dawley if this could be held in case we could make ar

this thing. I can obtain some references which may be of

representatives and secure from her pupils entertaining and suc

to keep me informed with an outline that I have written to the usual illustrated
talk. I hope that will help you somewhat, and hope that she may

under the extension plan as it is not done by means of class

command herself to you. Yours most cordially.

Miss E. Caro. 30th Street about the possibility of the introduction

of the Nature Study in the schools. I ran county meetings there.

My dear Mrs. Caro.:

My dear Miss Carruth I am sending you some Nature Study Leaflets.

I shall keep your letter, but know if it is needed. I am enclosing copy of the January lesson.

hoping you will find much of interest in them, and want to thank you for your kind invitation to come to your home in New Hampshire.

I have never been my pleasure to visit that state, but if I should

copy of paper containing reference to the lesson, as I wish to

take one for the University, and one for my personal use.

I am sending you two

Thank you for your interest will prove one of pleasure and phytological benefit. I always appreciate your interest in the Women's

Reading Course.

Very cordially yours.

Yours cordially,
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Miss Harriet M. Kellogg has been a teacher in Cattaraugus County for several years; and I have all of the time
Mrs. Emily C. B. Zahner
220 Pleasant St.,
Atlanta, Georgia.

I have some familiarity with her work, and part of the time very closely connected with it, during all of which I have not heard one note of objection or adverse criticism, and have always heard her work highly spoken of. My own observation leads me to say that I believe her work has been successful, not only as to instruction imparted, but as discipline and general management are concerned. She is enterprising and secure in her pupils enterprising and successful. Our leaflets are intended for any women who are desirous of work with a loyalty toward her which is very desirable, and who have tried to make them within the competency of the class. Her preparation for teaching is based upon sound scholarship. I am sending you samples. The work is under the Extension Department, and is not done by means of class instruction. I am willing to exhibit it to your favorable consideration.

The work to which you refer is a very important one, and I am very willing,

MRS. AGISSA G. LEAP, Day School Superintendent
Lyme, N. H.

of these subjects into the rural schools. I was county commissioner
My dear Mr. Storey:

for six years and know full well how much it is needed. I hope that I can

I am sending you some Nature Study Leaflets

shall keep your letter in mind, and will be glad to communicate any little help you will find in them, and want to thank you most sincerely. I hope to return your kind invitation to come to your home in New Hampshire.

It has never been my pleasure to visit that state, but if I should ever have that privilege I shall remember your invitation, and hope to accept it.

Yours cordially,

I trust that your interest will prove one of pleasure and physical benefit. I always appreciate your interest in the Women's Reading Course.

Yours cordially,
Mar. 14, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Zahner:

I am delighted to receive your letter and to learn that the Home Institute work under the Household Economic Association is proceeding. My dear Mrs. Zahner,

In reply to your letter let me say that New York state has no special organized effort for introducing cooking and sanitation into the country schools. In reply to your letter let me say that New York state has no special organized effort for introducing cooking and sanitation into the country schools. I think before I send this letter; however, I can obtain some references which may be of special interest to you. Our lectures are intended for any women who are interested in the work. The Director is Prof. J. P. Roberts of New York state and the Department of agriculture. The Director is Prof. J. P. Roberts of New York state and the Department of agriculture. The work is under the Extension Department, and is not done by means of class room or lectures in the University. It is provided by state appropriation.

Mrs. Agnes G. Kopely

The work to which you refer is a very important one, and I am very anxious to know more about the possibility of the introduction of these subjects into the rural schools. I have county meetings here for six years and know still well how much it is needed. I am glad to hear from you. I am unable to supply clubs as my present capacity will not permit. Our edition received from the printer is limited. Very cordially, new editions, however, and a few months ago practically exhausted, instead of wanting through the summer if you are still interested in the work I think we can meet your year as we anticipated. I am very sorry this is true, but when a request for a new edition is had I shall be very glad to spare you with the number you desire.

Wishing you great deals of success, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Emily C. B. Zahner

200 Euclid Ave.,

In reply to your letter let me say that the Home Institute work under the Household Economic Association is proceeding. My dear Mrs. Zahner,

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Wishing you great deals of success, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Emily C. B. Zahner
Miss De Cora Grantan
476 Virginia Ave.

Mrs. Sarah T. Lyons
245 W. 102d St.
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Lyons:

My dear Mrs. Lyons: I am delighted to receive your letter and article in reply to my request. It is right to the point, and I would be glad to send you the House of Edgeworth under the household Economics Association in exceeding-exceedingly grateful for it. It will appear in our next practical issues, and the funds for this purpose will not admit of more

In reply to your letter let me say that the Home Institute work under the Household Economics Association is exceedingly

Let me say that I took the liberty to write you because of the recent plans for edgeworth, and the funds for this purpose will not admit of more

then one more Institute this spring. With another year to pursue the same plan we hope to make. I advise you to communicate

in the same house and are interested

with you, and you should there be any opening in this line.

This letter will give you the names of some persons connected with the department of agriculture. The Director is Prof. I. P. Roberts, Lthara, N. Y. and I am glad to assist you in any way possible. I will write you as soon as I get a chance. You will find the applications to the Secretary for which I am sure will be as many as we can send.

Mrs. Agnes G. Lapsley
Santa Barbara, Calif.

My dear Mrs. Lapsley:

Miss Maude L. Marshall
47 St. John's Place
Brooklyn, N. Y.

I am placing your name upon the mailing list of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I am very sorry that I cannot send you a large number. As the appropriation is made for New York State we are able only to send a limited number outside, in the Women's Reading Course, and I wish I could send you the same.

My dear Miss Marshall:

but for the present are not able to supply clubs as our present copies which you desire. Our edition received from the printer is limited. We shall have new editions, however, and if you are still interested in the work I think we can meet your year as we anticipated. I am very sorry that is true, but when I have written many enough I shall be glad to write again requests.

new edition is had I shall be very glad to favor you with the number

Wishing you a great deal of success, I am,

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Miss De Corah Grattan
475 Virginia St.

Mrs. B. S. Tompkins
Henrietta, N. Y.

My dear Miss Grattan:
My dear Mrs. Tompkins:

I am delighted to receive your letter and article in reply to my request. It is right to the point, and I am very grateful for it. It will appear in our lessons on Practical Farming and don't refuse to send Housework.

Let me say that I took the liberty to write you begging Mrs. DeGarmo is always talking about how well the same house and farm in which to work, but you will be pleased to know that I have not been informed. I have made our appointment. I have made our appointment. It is usually from what you have accomplished.

Mr. DeGarmo and I live in the same house and were interested in the work of the farm. She is well and has recently said that she is glad to assist you in any way possible. She is always glad to write you as soon as she had the time.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Roma Economics

Mrs. Alice Bajer
Freeburg, Ohio.

Miss Maude I. Marshael
17 St. John's Place
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Miss Marshael:

I am pleased to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course, and I wish I could send you the six copies which you desire. Our edition received from the printer a month ago is practically exhausted, instead of lasting through the year as we anticipated. I am very sorry this is true, but when a new edition is had I shall be very glad to favor you with the number you desire.

Very sincerely,
very cordially,
Mar. 14, 1902.

Miss De Corah Grattan
475 Virginia St.,
Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Miss Grattan:

I am specially interested in your letter of Mar. 6th, and think you have a right view point so far as woman's work of the farm is concerned. Your letter is received. I hope for possible-ly I shall be glad to be in touch with your work and your experiences. You have had valuable training, and with your interest in country home life you will find not only a broad field in which to work, but you will be rewarded with success in your efforts.

I send you a little package containing our leaflets already published, and have put your name upon our mailing list.

Hoping to hear from you at any time, and assuring you I shall be glad to assist you in any way possible, I am,

Very cordially,

[Redacted]

My dear Mrs. Haizl:

I sent you the first copy of the Reading Course for Housewives, and refer you to the Chautauquan for further information. Should it not be convenient for you to refer to that magazine, I will say that the Course for the year was had by the Chautauquan in fifty cents, which includes six numbers on household ques-tions, or with a subscription to the Chautauquan magazine $2.35.

Very cordially,

If I have written fully enough I shall be glad to write again in answer to questions.

Very sincerely,
My dear Dr. Vincent :

For two or three years I have been approached by many women interested in the subject of Women's Club Day, and another is a meeting to be devoted to the subject of the universal church. My letter is intended to serve as a suggestion for the possibility of such a meeting being held. Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Kilgour :

If you would like it, I think we can carry on the study of these publications, and don't refuse to add the benefit of your thought on these subjects to our lesson on practice, considering the last lesson of the Women's Reading Course, and notice the futility of human effort. I think I can give you more time than I promised, with pleasure that you are interested in the little book, referred to in that lesson, "Power through Repose". You can determine which Syracuse a good many times, but not having heard an appointment, I regard as the other books by writing to Mrs. Sally B. Miller, who could not find it convenient to meet you since it is usually from 106 St. Central Park West, New York City, that it would not be different an eleven o'clock at night until seven in the morning, or even five. I will, however, keep watch of my itinerary and try to get an interview of late, and we have a lesson in print which will reach you. I will also get my gray matter, or what little there is left, at work upon the proposed meeting at Chautauqua. Home Economics should be represented, and it is not a difficult thing to accomplish. In fact, I promise that I will write Dr. Vincent immediately. We have just had a great Home Institute at Lake Placid, suggested by Mrs. Dewey and started by her and Mrs. Shaler, and in which the Bureau of Farmers' Institutes and Cornell University have been able to assist in carrying out successfully. I am sorry I have nothing yet to send you about it, but a week's absence simply plunged me into very cordially, more work than I know how to do before I have to be away for another week, beginning next Monday.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very cordially,

...
Dr. Geo. Vincent  
Chicago, Ill.  

My dear Dr. Vincent: 

Mrs. O. V. Young  
Muncie, Ind. For two or three years I have been approached  
upon two subjects pertaining to Chautauqua. One is a Universal  
Women’s Club Day, and another is a meeting to be devoted to the sub-  
ject of“Women’s Reading Course.” If you would like it, I think we can  
design a program which will attract a large number of women interested  
in this work. I believe it is possible to work up considerable interest,  
and the demand from without the state has made no material difference  
financially.

I shall be glad to know of your success in the club work.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Mar. 16, 1902.
Dr. Geo. Vincent  
Chicago, Ill.  

My dear Dr. Vincent:  

Mrs. G. W. Young  
Perham, N.  

For two or three years I have been approached  
upon two subjects pertaining to Chautauqua. One is a Universal  
Women’s Club Day, and another is a meeting to be devoted to the subje-  
ct of Home Economics. If you would like it, I think we can deal of  
manage a program which will attract a large number of women interested in these subjects. I am corresponding secretary of the kind  
Western New York Federation of Women’s Clubs and can get our Western  
New York women interested. At the same time perhaps a meeting for it  
Home Economics could be held which would stimulate an interest in well  
the work already started by Chautauqua, and a program provided which  
would really be of value and interest to Chautauquans. Home Economics  
is taking such a prominent place now that it would not be difficult to ensure enthusiasm. I will not go further into detail un-ter  
til I know your opinion on these points.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Viola G. Fouts  
Malta, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Fouts:  

I am pleased with your enthusiasm in regard to  
Nature-Study and the Reading Courses for Farmers and Farmers’ Wives,  
and wish we could send you all of the literature which is printed  
for the benefit of New York State residents. The circular which  
is sent you explains why this cannot be done, and how the leaflets  
can be secured. I am to continue your name upon our mailing list  
for the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course as thus far we have not been  
obliged to restrict the membership, inasmuch as the Course is young,  
and the demand from without the state has made no material difference financially.  
I shall be glad to know of your success in the club work.  

I believe it is possible to work up considerable interest.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mar. 15, 1902.

Mrs. O. E. Young
Vermillion, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Young:

My dear Mrs. Zahring: I have received your letter and answers to quizzes. You have answered the quizzes very nicely, and a good deal of matter thought is indicated. That is what the quizzes are for, and we may do better when we have to write something of that kind than if we merely read the points suggested. Do not let any one work hesitate about picking up the course on account of the quizzes, as it is not a requirement that they be returned. I understand full well that we are many times too busy to undertake reading that requires later attention on our part, and we want any who would be interested glad to have the lessons, whether they return the quizzes or not. If you will send the names of the members of your Grange, I will enter them upon the mailing list, and they may receive the lessons whether they answer the quizzes or not.

Very cordially,

Mrs. A. M. Jackson
Victor, N. Y.

I have access to the list of officers of clubs. I do not wish to ask anything which will not be in accordance with your ideas of propriety and usefulness, but should this meet your approval, I am in the State Federation will be glad to hear from you.

Mar. 15, 1902.

I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course, and I take pleasure in having them placed upon our free mailing list.

I hope the lessons will be of practical value to all who receive them, and should any of you wish to ask any questions or make any suggestions at any time, we should be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

This ground suggests that we send a Housewives' Course.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter, I am,

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
I have just found that the date has been changed.

My dear Miss Ladd,

Ellington, N. Y.

I have just received a letter from you, regarding the Women's Reading Course, and I have suggested the Department to have another one for the fall. I am glad to hear you are planning to hold another course, and I hope you will be able to make it successful.

I believe an arrangement has been made by which you will be able to reach the clubs of the Western New York Federation. Of course, being its secretary, I have access to the list of officers of clubs. I do not wish to ask anything which will not be in accordance with your ideas of propriety and usefulness, but should this meet with your approval, any suggestions you may make as to the means of reaching the women of the State Federation will be gladly received. I have a high idea of what women can do for each other in club work, believing that the more they serve others, the greater will be the pleasure and benefit to themselves, and should I send the presidents a letter, I shall ask this ground, suggest that they send us the names of women who would be benefited by reading a Housewives' Course.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter, I am,

Very cordially,

H. Y."
Miss Eleanor Ladd
Ellington, N. Y.

My dear Miss Ladd,

I have just found that the date has been changed.

Miss E. Carruth
My dear Miss Ladd,

New York City.

I believe an arrangement has been made by which
My dear Miss Carruth :
I shall be in Ellington on the evening of the 18th of March. The
plan has been carried out through the Grange, and I have suggested
must be from you since it is not
to the Department here that they have an afternoon meeting as well
telephone, asking for twenty copies
as an evening, as Prof. Craig of this Department will be there, and
Monday. The edition is
that they invite the Kennedy and Gerry Granges, which we are not
able to visit that week. At the same time if that plan were made,
edition is had.
I was going to suggest that the Women's Club, if they wish to earn
much as I would like to
some money for a travelling library and for their dues, serve a sup-
per as many would be there from the country at that hour, but I cannot
interest the ladies, not learn that the plan has been carried out. I believe Prof.

Craig wrote to Mr. Brainard, who has charge of the matter,
not more than a month.

I hope to see you on that date. I shall not reach Ellington
very cordially,

until the evening train from Buffalo, as I attend a meeting of the
Executive Council of the Federation on that same day.

Mrs. J. E. Klein
My Woodard, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Klein: I am glad to know that you are interested in
the Women's Reading Club plan. I know that you are interested in
the Women's Reading Course, and I see that you have a very good idea
of the advantages on the farm, especially so far as wom-

Mrs. Ida Pease
Greenwood, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Pease:

I have received the answers to questions contained in the quizzes, and want to say that you have answered these ques-
tions very much to our satisfaction. It indicates that you have
given these matters thoughtful attention and the suggestions con-
tained in your answers are very beneficial. Should you wish to send
the names of any women who would be interested in the Course, we
should be glad to place them upon our free mailing list.

very cordially,
My dear Mrs. Eigenbrodt:

Miss E. Carruth
(Evening Telegram)
New York City.

My dear Miss Carruth:

I have just found that the date has been changed for the Arlington meeting, which nearly threw me out as I
had already promised to attend a Federation meeting in Buffalo
Tuesday. However, I can reach Geneva on the train which leaves
Buffalo at 6 o'clock, and will take the bus direct to your house
unless I should be too late for the meeting that I think it best to
go directly there. I do not have a warm supper as I know you want
me to tell you what I would want. Let me say that I shall have a
warm meal in Buffalo at noon and a lunch at night suitable to speak
on. That will be all that is necessary before I go to the evening
work.

The edition is practically exhausted, as we have not more
than forty more which we have reserved for emergencies until a new
edition is had. On this account I dare not send you the full number
much as I would like to, but I have asked to have sent you ten cop-
ties, which I hope will reach you in good time. I remember your
interest in the lessons, and only regret that our edition was limited,
although we supposed we had enough for the year, and it has been out
very attractively, not more than a month.

very cordially,

Mrs. Chas. Newton
Cazenovia, N. Y.
Mrs. J. E. Kimn
Woodard, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Kimn:

I am glad to know that you are interested in
the Women's Reading Course, and I see that you have a very good idea
of some of the disadvantages on the farm, especially as wom-
en's part is concerned. We do not dare scold the Farmers, but hope
they will see that we are a great deal is dependent upon them so far as
the comfort of the family and future happiness is concerned.

Should you wish to send us any names of women who would be in-
terested in the course, we shall be pleased to place them upon our
mailing list.

very cordially,

very cordially,
My dear Mrs. Eigenbrodt:

I have just found that the date has been changed for the Elmerton meeting, which nearly threw me out as I have already promised to attend a Federation meeting in Buffalo Tuesday. However, I can reach Elmerton on the train which leaves Buffalo at 8:00 o'clock, and will take the bus direct to your house unless I should be too late for the meeting that I think it best to go directly there. Do not save a warm supper as I know you want me to tell you what I would want. Let me say that I shall have a warm meal in Buffalo at noon and a lunch at night suitable to speak on. That will be all that is necessary before I go to the evening work, do, and he will very gladly give you information upon the subject.

I am looking forward with pleasure to my visit to your home, helping in those ways which will be most beneficial to our members, and are always pleased to hear from them. Very affectionately,

Mrs. M. V. Williams

Cazenovia, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Jewell:

My dear Mrs. Jewell I am glad to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course and have enjoyed your letter, and am glad that you have written us. Do not feel that the answering of the quiz is to be exact. We give those questions because it arouses more thought upon the subject, and do not make it compulsory to have them. I want to thank you, too, for the names which you have sent. We are very glad to receive them. They have been placed upon our mailing list.

The third number will probably reach you by this time, and others will follow as soon as they are sent back from the printer. I have taken a large number and have not estimated and I do not know where a new edition will come this year.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. M. V. Williams

My dear Mrs. *ig*n:;roadt's Vzr, l.y long.

Mrs. M. V. Williams

Cazenovia, N. Y.

Mrs. H. C. Jewell

My dear Mrs. Newton:

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I have enjoyed your letter, and am glad that you have written us. Do not feel that the answering of the quiz is to be exact. We give those questions because it arouses more thought upon the subject, and do not make it compulsory to have them. We are very glad to receive them. They have been placed upon our mailing list.

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Very sincerely,

Mrs. M. V. Williams
March 15, 1902.

Mrs. M. W. Millspaugh
Pine Bush, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Millspaugh:

I have received your letter with answers to quizzes, and assure you you have answered the questions very much to our satisfaction, and I thank you for that. Should you wish to send us names at any time of women who might be interested in the lessons, we shall be glad to place them upon our mailing list.

While referring your letter with the questions contained therein to Prof. Craig who knows very much more about orchard questions than I do, and he will very gladly give you information upon the subject, I am pleased to have you ask these questions, as we are here from the help in those ways which will be most beneficial to our members, and are always pleased to hear from them.

Very cordially,

Mrs. E. C. Jewell
Belden, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Jewell:

I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course, and I hope that the lessons will prove of personal interest to all who receive them. Should there be any questions which you would like to ask, or should you find any points upon which you will suggest ideas, we shall be very glad to receive them; as the course belongs to the women, and we like to know their ideas.

The third number of the course has probably reached you by this time, and others will follow as soon as they are received from the printer. Several hundred numbers of our first edition is just about exhausted, and I do not know whether a new edition will follow this year.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,
Mar. 24, 1902.

To: Mrs. O. K. Rhodes
From: Miss Bessie E. Pierce
Date: Mar. 15, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Rhodes:

I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course, and I hope that the lessons will prove of personal interest to all who receive them.

Should there be any questions which you would like to ask, or should you find any points upon which you will suggest ideas, we shall be very glad to receive them, as the Course belongs to the women, and we like to know their ideas.

The third number of the Course has probably reached you by this time, and others will follow as soon as they are received from the printer, and stop notice will be sent to all interested.

Very cordially, Mrs. Rhodes, New York.

Mar. 15, 1902.

Miss Bessie E. Pierce

Miss Kathryn Greenburg has been referred to in the district in which I see school combinations. I suggested to me and I am sending you copies of the Housewives' Reading Course, and hope you will be interested in sending them to others. I am also interested that you will write us, as a reply will be made for copies to be distributed to teachers.

Our plans for this course this year are incomplete, but I should like to satisfy your needs this year. If you have a school or a Sunday School class in which you will not be able to satisfy your needs this year, I am not sure whether a new edition will follow this year.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,
Mrs. Jfcpsly A" Btoy.p

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My dear Miss Back

Mrs. Emma J. Gray
310, East 7th St.

I have been requested by Miss Kilburn of the Rochester
Chautauqua Office to write you concerning the Bureau for the
Course. This course is being given by New York State in under the
Examiner Department of Agriculture and will you will be provided distribution in
to one hundred women of the Ameur who are interested in household
questions. It is arranged to begin next month with the Communicative Depart-
ment of New York. I understand the course to begin until September. I will
throughout the winter time be a candidate for the receiving the
and the secretary is now ready to receive your application.

You can send me a copy of the first lesson in the form to Angell.

Very truly yours,

Miss Back.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I infer that you did not receive the first lesson, Miss Mary A. Johnson has been a pupil and a

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teacher in the district in which I am school commissioner for

Very truly yours,

T. M. Anderson.

G. A. New York.

Miss Back, I am glad to hear that lesson No. 5

She is a very thorough student and has been made to her to the

Her studies as well as her general conduct have been excellent in all

Very cordially,

Rochester, N. Y.
My dear Miss Peck:

I have been requested by Miss Kimball of the Chautauqua Office to write you regarding the Housewives' Reading Course. This Course as used in New York State is under the Extension Department of Cornell University, and is provided by the legislature for women of the state who are interested in household questions. An arrangement has been made with the Chautauqua Department of Instruction for the extension of the same lines of work throughout other states, and it can be obtained by registering with them, and the payment of a fee of 50 cents which will bring six lessons for the year. They also provide that upon the payment of $2.35 one is entitled to the Chautauqua magazine and the printed lessons. I send a copy of the first lesson that you may see upon what lines the work is carried out. Should you wish to ask any further questions regarding this work I shall be glad to answer them. Very cordially,

Mar. 24, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Campbell:

I take pleasure in sending to the one whose suggestions of what you have given the lessons connected with the Women's Reading Course. Our appropriation provides for this work within the state, but unfortunately we have not yet had to refuse our out of state applications, although we may have to do so soon. We are glad to have the work go to any who are interested.

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. D. F. Campbell
456 Franklin St.
Elmira, N.Y.
My dear Mrs. Gray:

Mrs. Thos. W. Gleason
Lewiston, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gleason:

I am pleased to know that you are interested in our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and to know that the last lesson afforded you pleasure and benefit. It is a most interesting subject for consideration inasmuch as it means so much to women to know what they are doing and what they are trying to accomplish. It is a fact that they can take the time and do it with interest to them. However, do not be discouraged at this in any way whatever. If you will not hesitate to write those in charge of different departments, you may obtain answers to many questions connected with farm interests and a knowledge of the work of saving strength in the home.

At present, however, and until the demands are greater for the Extension of the work outside of New York, we are not refusing applications. If you will send the names of the women I shall be pleased to place them upon our mailing list. I infer that you did not receive the first lesson, and have given the matter attention. I am glad to know that you are interested in the course, and assure you that we desire to make it practical, and are relying upon suggestions of women who know much of these subjects.

I hope that they will feel that it is their own course of study to which they may contribute and not entirely produced by University people. Your suggestions therefore will be very acceptable to us.

Very cordially,

Mrs. H. W. Elberse, N. Y.

In reply to your inquiry list I say that Lesson No. 3 will have no quiz. Thanking you for your interest, I am, Mrs. Chas. H. Marsden Very cordially.

Very truly, Mar. 24, 1902.
Mar. 24, 1902.

Mrs. Sarah M. Gray
N. Hoosick, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gray:

My dear Mrs. Gray:

I am pleased to know that you are interested in our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and to know that the last lesson afforded you pleasure and benefit. It is a most interesting subject for consideration inasmuch as it means so much to keep in good health. Perhaps you will be interested in receiving the Farmers' Reading Course since you have farm interests. I have accordingly placed your name upon the mailing list. Should the Department here be able to assist you in any way whatever, I hope you will not hesitate to write. Those in charge of different departments always answer questions connected with farm interests with a great deal of pleasure.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Chas. H. Marsdon
Piercefield, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry let me say that Lesson No. 3 did not contain a quiz, although the other lessons will have them. This is a little more difficult lesson to provide questions for, and we thought we would give more pages for the text and omit the quiz. I hope your wife is interested in our work, and I assure you we shall be glad to hear from her both with suggestions for the work, and should she wish to send the names of any other women who will be interested, we shall be glad to place them upon our mailing list.

Very truly,
My dear Mrs. Morrison:

I am very glad pleased to know that you want

to me Draper's class. But I am sorry to say that our

inadequate for this year's needs.

I have received the nice list of names which
you have sent and they have been placed upon our Free mailing list.

I want to thank you for them, and assure you that assistance of this

kind is very helpful to us. I hope you will all feel at liberty

to write us, and I infer that you have discussed the first lesson

and are ready for a discussion of the second. I enclose herewith

suggestions for that discussion. The lessons will now reach each

person direct, so that you will probably not desire to have twenty

copies sent. We would like to have the questions answered, if

members feel that they can take the time, and the Quiz returned to

us. However, do not let any feel that this is obligatory because

many times women have other work that they find more necessary to do.

Lesson No. 3 will have no Quiz.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Sarah M. Gray

My dear Mrs. Gray:

I am very glad you have written in regard to your

work, and I have asked to have sent you the Farmers' Reading Course.

In addition to the women's work as I thought you might be interested

in that line, since you have to solve some of the farm problems

yourself. Will you please be free to write at any time that we

can be of any assistance to you. I am pleased to know that you

were interested in the last lesson.

Very cordially,
Mar. 29, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Gray:

I am very glad you have written in regard to your work, and I have asked to have sent you the Farmers' Reading Course in addition to the women's work as I thought you might be interested in that line, since you have to solve some of the farm problems yourself. Will you please be free to write at any time that you can be of any assistance to you. I am pleased to know that you were interested in the last lesson. Do not issue as many as I told you to, and we hope to later in the course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Sarah M. Gray
N. Hoosick, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gray:

I am very glad you have written in regard to your work, and I have asked to have sent you the Farmers' Reading Course in addition to the women's work as I thought you might be interested in that line, since you have to solve some of the farm problems yourself. Will you please be free to write at any time that you can be of any assistance to you. I am pleased to know that you were interested in the last lesson.

Very cordially,

Mar. 29, 1903.

Mar. 31, 1902.

Mr. John M. Comstock, M. D.
Glen Cove, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Comstock:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. The reference for home reading may be met by having the saving system of saving materials, but I am sorry to say that our library has not been adequately supplied for this year's needs. I think the library would be better equipped if we could purchase such books as are needed. I hope that if you want to send the list to the library, you may write to the handsomely prepared supply for you, and as soon as the new books are received, I shall be pleased to have them sent to you.

Hoping that you are having a pleasant year in your work, and that everything is in line for your election, I am,

Very cordially,

Mar. 29, 1903.

Mary S. Harter, Principal

Parkside School, New York City.

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Very cordially,

Mar. 29, 1903.

Mary S. Harter, Principal

Parkside School, New York City.
Mrs. O. T. Lockhart  
Bryon, K. Y.  
My dear Mrs. Lockhart:  

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. The reference for home reading may not be in the public library, but you could apply for the first lesson that you may see whether it is anything you desire; and I would suggest that if you do not wish to purchase the Chautauqua Department of Instruction offers these lessons to people outside of New York for 50 cents a year and $2.50 if they would secure them as they are all desirable and including the Chautauqua magazine. The subjects will be practical. Information regarding Mrs. Bishop's books by writing to Mrs. Bishop at the Central Park, West, N. Y.  

The scientific side, and by those who are interested in practical homemaking, so that I would want you to be free to write me at any time if any question comes up that you wish to have answered; and to receive any suggestions regarding the Reading Course.  

Very cordially,  

Mrs. Sarah M. Gray  
N. Hoosick, N. Y.  
My dear Mrs. Gray:  

I am very glad you have written in regard to your work, and I have asked to have sent you the Farmers' Reading Course in addition to the women's work as I thought you might be interested in that line, since you have to solve some of the farm problems yourself. Will you please be free to write at any time that we can be of any assistance to you. I am pleased to know that you were interested in the last lesson.  

Very cordially,  

Mar. 29, 1902.
Mar. 31, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Klehaier:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. The references for home reading may not be in the public library, but you could tell by application to Miss Amy J. Brown, 15th St., I have not wanted you to return them, if you wish to send the list to the library it is possible they would secure them as they are all desirable books. You can secure information regarding Mrs. Bishop's books by writing to Mrs. Emily Bishop, No. 1, 105th St., Central Park, West, N. Y. City.

The library will not be able to do very much this time when we can be of assistance to you.

Very cordially,

I am pleased to place the name of Mrs. Wyne upon our mailing list. I confer that her post office is the same as yours.

Apr. 1, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Wyne:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course and assure you that for the present we shall be able to send you our literature as though you were a resident of the State of New York. It is provided by a state appropriation so that we do not have to secure outside membership, and for the present we are not obliged to exclude those who have already asked for it. You will receive the more lessons this winter. We do not issue as many as we would like, and as we hope to later in the course.

Very cordially,
Miss H. Eleanor Ford
158 E. 16TH ST., Y.
R. Y. City.

My dear Miss Ford:

Miss Amy J. Brown
Somers, N. Y.

Mrs. C. F. Young
Vermillion, N. Y.

On April 2, 1902.

I am very glad to learn that you have placed your name upon the mailing list, as we shall be having a bulletin which will answer some of your queries regarding insect pests in the house, as I am having sent you a bulletin which will answer some of your queries regarding insect pests in the house, as I do not by the answer to this please understand that that is one of the questions which you have that I, possible, very excellent description of these insects to see how the means of exterminating them are provided for, and shall be glad to hear from you at any spring, but are hoping to something later, fall and winter. I want to thank you for the interest which you have shown in the work and a Home Institute is being established for the means of exterminating these pests. I will place your order in the work, and the lessons are provided for, and when these Insti-
tutes are provided for, and shall be glad to hear from you at any
time when we can be of assistance to you.

I am pleased to place the name of Mrs. Myers upon our mailing list. I confer that her post office is the same as yours. Should you desire to send us the names of other women in your community, please be free to do so, and their names will be placed upon our list.

Mrs. Harry Myers
Rome, N. Y.

I am glad to receive your letter and the answer to Quiz No. 1. Farmers' wives, very cordially, have answered very much in the work. We did not send a quiz with Lesson No. 1 of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course as it was not as good a lesson for a quiz as the others. You will soon receive Lessons 4 and 6, and I hope you will find much of interest in them. Let us know whenever we can be of any service to you, as it is a real pleasure to have the means of service to you; as it

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Utica, N.Y. April 2, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Myers:

I am glad to receive your letter and the answer to Quiz No. 4, for farmers' wives, which you have answered very much to our satisfaction, with various suggestions which will be beneficial in the work. We did not send a Quiz with Lesson No. 3 of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course as it was not as good a lesson for a Quiz as the others. You will soon receive Lessons 4 and 5, and I hope you will find much of interest in them.

Very cordially yours.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Henry Myers

Farmers' Wives' Reading Course,

Farmers' Wives' Reading Course
Miss M. Eleanor Ford  
15 W. 36th St., Y.  
N. Y. City.  
My dear Mrs. Rogers:  
My dear Miss Ford:  

Mrs. G. T. Young:  
I am very glad to learn that you are interested in the education of farmers' wives. I have placed your name upon the mailing list, and I shall be glad to have you know of our work as it progresses. It is a real pleasure to have the members write us.  

Very cordially,  

Miss Eleanor Ford  

My dear Mrs. Rogers:  
My dear Miss Ford:  

Mrs. G. T. Young:  
I am glad to learn that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I judge that you have a fund sufficient to send out lecturers. If the work grows and there is money provided for it, we shall be glad to give lectures.  

Wishing you a great deal of success, I am,  

Very cordially,  

Miss Eleanor Ford  

My dear Miss Ford:  

Mrs. G. T. Young:  
I am very glad to receive your letter and the answer to Quiz No. 1. for farmers' wives, which you have answered very much to our satisfaction with various suggestions which will be beneficial to the members.  

Let us know whenever we can be of any service to you, as it is a real pleasure to have the members write us.  

Very cordially,
Mrs. C. D. Rogers
Peafield, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Rogers:

I am very glad to learn that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I judge that you have learned to value your work, and to accomplish a great deal in a short time, because it is no small task to care for the interests of a family where there are three little children.

It is a real pleasure to me to have you say that the lessons are helping you, and I want to thank you for the names which you have sent. They will be placed upon the mailing list.

There would also be danger of constant dampness in the cellar. A cesspool is undesirable for many reasons, but in many places where there is not a sewer it is necessary to have it, and if placed far enough from the house people get along very well with it. A sewer pipe should always be cemented vitrified tile, especially when the soil is as slight as it would be on your premises. I am sorry I cannot give a more favorable answer. Other things in your quiz indicate a healthy condition about the premises, and show that you are thoughtful in the right kind of things. I am very glad to place your name upon the Nature-Study list, and hope you will be very much interested in them. I am sending you the general Nature-Study leaflets and the Home Nature-Study so that if you desire you can answer the questions and in that way receive suggestions by correspondence. I am also pleased to place you upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' leaflets because I believe you will be interested in them, even if you are not a farmer's wife. Should there be anything special that you wish to secure rather than these, please be free to write for them, as we are more than glad to send the literature to those who will be interested.

Very cordially yours,

[Signature]

Regretting that I may desire,

Very truly,
My dear Mrs. Young:

I am pleased to place your name upon the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. A lesson has been referred to me and in reply let me say that it is necessary to have it, and if placed far enough from the house people get along very well with it. A cess-pool is undesirable for many reasons, but in many places where there is not a sewer it is necessary to have it, and if placed far enough it will not have a means of cleansing itself if it passed into your cellar.

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I am very glad to hear from you and hope that if any other questions suggest themselves you will be free to ask them.

Very cordially,

Very truly,
Mr. & Mrs. Parley:

Wales Center, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Parley:

Your letter regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course has been referred to me and in reply let me say that it is evident that you did not receive the Reading Course and hope that the lessons will be interesting to you. If any questions suggest themselves at any time, I have given your name for the mailing list and should you wish to send the names of others, I hope you will do so. I am pleased to place your name upon the mailing list for the course to women within the state.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Grace M. Alexander

152 Vanderwood St.,

N. Tonawanda, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Alexander:

Your request for the lesson on Saving Strength was received from the printer's hands. It is therefore necessary that the present edition is exhausted and that it will not be republished for some time. At that time, however, you will be welcome to any number of copies that you may desire.

Regretting that I cannot send them, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Grace M. Alexander

152 Vanderwood St.,

N. Tonawanda, N. Y.

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Wales Center, N. Y.

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Very cordially,

Mrs. Grace M. Alexander

152 Vanderwood St.,

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My dear Mrs. Woodford:

Berwyn, Ill.

I am very glad to receive your letter regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course and to enroll the names to the women which you have sent. This is a nice list, and I want you to thank you for the interest in the course. I am very sorry to say that our lesson for the lesson on Saving Strength has been exhausted and that it will not be republished before fall. At that time, however, you will be welcome to any number of copies that you may desire.

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wanted to send out, but it seems necessary to treat the subject from
lessons, as we intended to send to all who asked for them, and are
a somewhat technical standpoint at the first for those who desire
glad to do so. I have given your name for the free mailing list
and without doubt you will now receive the lessons. I hope you
will find much of interest in them, and I assure you we shall be
glad to hear from you at any time when you may be pleased to write.
like all other tablas--some are good and some not as good. Some
of the best meals I ever ate were at a home where the tablas
were among the localities.

Very cordially,

We are always glad to hear from you, and are having very pleas-
memories of our visit in Conewango.

Very cordially,

Mrs. L. L. Woodford
Berwyn, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Mason:

I am very glad to receive your letter regard-
ing the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course and to enroll the names to
the women which you have sent. This is a nice list, and I want
to thank you for the interest in the course. Our supply of the
lesson called Saving Strength was exhausted very soon after it was
received from the printer's hands. It is therefore necessary to
wait until the beginning of next year before this special lesson
can be supplied. However, the names are enrolled for other lessons,
and I want to thank you for the list.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Hattie L. Mason  
Conewango, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Mason:

I was very glad to receive your answers to the questions and your letter regarding the work. You will receive in a very few days the lesson on foods. It is not just what I wanted to send out, but it seems necessary to treat the subject from a somewhat technical standpoint at the first for those who desire that sort of thing, and it is an important part of it. I hope we can arouse an interest in the subject and get at the more practical every-day problems presented to the housekeeper. Farm tables are like all other tables—some are good and some not as good. Some of the best meals I ever ate were in farm localities.

We are always glad to hear from you, and are having very pleasant memories of our visit in Conewango.

I have had your names placed upon the mailing list for the Women’s Reading Course, and should there be other literature published by the Mature-Study Department that you would like please let me know.

Wishing you a large amount of success, I am,

Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Mason:

I have your letter announcing the organization of your new club. I hope this will be of much pleasure and benefit to all who engage in the work. It is certain that we gain a great deal by discussing with other women these matters which pertain to our general interest. Now I hope we may be of some assistance to you, and will not be free to write you whenever anything of the kind occurs by this department. I am interested, too, to receive the benefit of your work, and to know how you carry on the organization.

Most cordially,

I am very much pleased to know that you were enjoying Strength, and in the other lessons you wish to have convenient kitchens. I like very much the last sentence of your letter, and am filling it for future use in the organization. It will be a benefit to others who are considering new problems.

Very cordially,
May 1, 1902.

Apr. 21, 1902.

Apr. 21, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Harwood:

I have your letter announcing the organization of your new club. I hope this will be of unusual pleasure and ben- net to all who engage in the work. It is certain that we gain a great deal by discussing with other women those matters which concern us, and I am glad to know that you have been so active in the work of the Extension Department. In connection with the work of the Cornell Extension Department, I have your name placed upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and should there be other literature published by the Mature-Study Department that you would like to have me have you know.

Wishing you a large amount of success, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. M. L. Hardman
Macedon, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Harwood:

I have your letter regarding Women's Clubs, and I have been much interested in your letter. I know that you have had much experience in the work of the Extension Department, and that you may be of some assistance to you, and will you not be free to write me whenever anything is done in the work of the Extension Department? I am interested, too, in the work of those who are engaged in education. After the train has come, I will know how you carry on the organization.

Mycordially,

Mrs. M. L. Hardman
Macedon, N. Y.
Mrs. N. J. Cronkhite
Wyoming, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Cronkhite:

I was very much interested in your letter of recent date in regard to the work which is being done in the Extension Department here. I am not a graduate of Emerson College nor have I had the advantage of study there, but I assure you that it is the one thing I would care most about if I were going to pursue work in a college or school of any kind, because I like the study of literature and life which they present. It teaches one to feel and to express, both of which are neglected in recent education. After the training which you have had, I assure you your letter has awakened an sympathetic chord, because I knew you understand much which most readers do not.

Very cordially,

I hope you will write us often, and that we may in the work of the Extension Department, become better acquainted.

Very cordially,

I was glad to receive your letter May 19, 1902.

Mrs. Sadie Robinson
Macedon, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Robinson:

I have placed the Macedon N. Y. so as to name the free mailing list, and hope that the

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considering the same problems.

Very cordially,

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May 19, 1902

Mrs. Jennie L. Lang
Waterloo, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lang:

I was glad to receive your letter May 18, 1902, in which you express the same interest in the Women's Reading Course. I have placed the name upon the mailing list, and hope that the course will prove of interest to the women whom you have asked to have them sent to you. I have also asked to have sent you information concerning the best methods of raising rabbits, and some advice as to raising of chickens. I hope that you will be free to consider the ideas suggested in your letter, and so filing it for future reference, as the suggestions will be a benefit to others who are considering the same problems.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Sadie Robinson
Macedon, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Robinson:

I am very much pleased to know that you were helped by the lesson on Saving Strength, and in the other lessons regarding the beetles which invade the vegetables, and some advice as well. I wish we might all have convenient kitchens. I like the ideas suggested in your letter, and am filing it for future reference, as the suggestions will be a benefit to others who are considering the same problems.

Very cordially,

Mrs. S. J. T. Parsons
Mrs. Samuel Harwood, N. Y.
276 Walnut St.

My dear Mrs. Harwood:

I take pleasure in putting your name upon the mailing list for the free Reading Course which we have organized for women in Orange and similar districts. We suggest to them to take up social, educational, and cultural lines which will be inspiring and add interest to the program. I will send you some circulars, and have placed your name upon our mailing list in that respect. If you will communicate with me, I can be of any assistance to you. Should there be any special literature along agricultural and horticultural lines which you desire and which we can send you, I shall be glad to place your name upon the list.

Very cordially,

May 19, 1902.

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My dear Mrs. Harwood:

I have your letter regarding Women's Clubs, and want to say that in connection with the work of the Cornell Extension Department, we have organized some Reading Clubs among women in Orange and similar districts. We suggest to them to take up social, educational, and cultural lines which will be inspiring and add interest to the program. I will send you some circulars, and have placed your name upon our mailing list in that respect. If you will communicate with me, I can be of any assistance to you. Should there be any special literature along agricultural and horticultural lines which you desire and which we can send you, I shall be glad to place your name upon the list.

Very cordially,

May 19, 1902.
MRS. D.T. L. PARSONS
Scotstville, N. Y.

May 28, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Parsons:

I take pleasure in putting your name upon the mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Courses, and I hope that you desire a course of study for clubs. I hope the literature of the Reading Course will be something which will be of value to you, and am wondering if you would not also like the Home Nature-Study Department literature which several clubs are pursuing. I am giving your name to Mrs. Miller, who has charge of the course, with the request that she send you some copies of the lessons in order that you may determine whether it is what you desire. Should you still wish something outside of this line, please advise me as to what you desire.

Very truly yours,

May 19, 1902.

Mrs. Jennie L. Lang,
Waterloo, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lang:

I was glad to receive your letter and to note your interest in the Women's Reading Course. I have placed the names which you sent upon the free mailing list, and hope that the lessons will prove of interest to the women whom you have asked to have them sent to. I have also asked to have sent you information regarding the beetles which infest the vegetables, and some advice concerning gaps in chickens. I trust that you will be free to write for help at any time. It will be a pleasure to us to answer questions so far as possible.

Very sincerely,

May 28, 1902.
Mrs. T. Thornton
Ninevah Junction, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Thornton:

May 19, 1902

I have your letter and am pleased to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives Reading Course. You certainly have difficulties to meet which are of a serious nature.

Mrs. and I wish your surroundings could be such that that rheumatism a le would take to itself wings and fly away. It is very unfortunate.

I was much pleased to hear from you regarding the Denison have this disease when one wants to be active as a farmer's wife he judge ye. I hope you will let me be of assistance to you in any way possible. you might have in mind. I hope. We had agreed, upon printed notice is the law and it will be the first one to receive the charter. I am filling you instead of the meeting of the General Federation, that the newly elected President May 26, 1902, should be invited to speak, and he said he would invite her. so that it will not be overlooked, and I regret that we have not yet been

The 1st. My dear Mr. McNutt date for the meeting. On the evening of the 17th there will be a New letter of the 1st. if this letter reached me this morning, consider that it was returned to you from Bristol. It had not reached Bristol when I was there the 16th and 17th. I will now wait, I think, until I come to Buffalo the first week in June.

It is a little business matter which I want to talk with you about, but which seems to need a little time somewhat of itself. Some time ago I talked with you and some others about a publication.

The plan did not go through. Recently I have agitated the matter in connection with our Nature-study work at Cornell University.

I wanted to talk with you before we did anything, but we had a meeting a few days ago at which time plans were started, and doubtless they will be completed soon. I had thought of suggesting to you a little publishing scheme in connection with this. However, I imagine it will be in time if I talk with you early in June.

Very sincerely,

May 26, 1902.
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My dear Mrs. Dow:

I was much pleased to hear from you regarding the Denison to speak at Chautauqua on Women's Club Day. I infer that you did not write the Messrs. Hall & Co. for samples of dress goods, as I am much pleased from your letter to know that Dean Sterling Valley, N.Y., plans which you might have in mind, I hope. We had agreed, upon the meeting of the General Federation that the newly elected president should be the first one to receive the charter. I am filling your letter to Dr. Vincent, saying that he has already invited Mrs. Montgomery of Rochester, I wish the meeting were to be in any assistance possible to you, and if there is other literature connected with the Extension Department in the line of Nature Study, or special subjects in it, and it is difficult to change, I am hoping that you are gaining, and that you will soon have your usual strength and health. We shall be greatly interested in your success. Any suggestions which you can make at any time regarding the Very cordially,

Mrs. Montgomery of Rochester.

The 13th of July is the date for the meeting. On the evening of the 17th there will be a reception, and on the after noon of the day there will be addresses by various women of note, and on the afternoon the address of the meeting will be given by I sincerely hope that you will let us be of any assistance possible to you, and if there is other literature connected with the Extension Department in the line of Nature Study, or special subjects in it, and it is difficult to change. I am hoping that you are gaining, and that you will soon have your usual strength and health. We shall be greatly interested in your success. Any suggestions which you can make at any time regarding the Very cordially,

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Mrs. Briggs, Jamestown, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

I was very much pleased to have your recent letter and to know of your interest in the Women's Reading Course. I recently wrote the Messrs. Hall & Co. for samples of dress goods and have their reply stating that Messrs. Bush & Dean are their agents for this city. Through the courtesy of Mrs. Parker I have secured from you samples before, and have ordered goods at different times from the mills direct. If your rules are such that Mutual Help Club, I regret very much that I cannot send you a line, you do not wish to send samples to individuals. Special orders for mills are represented by dealers. I can order the printed, Yours is the first club to be ready for it, and it will not be difficult, and of course I am to comply with the ruling. I thought be the first one to receive the charter. I am filing your letter, however, that I would write you immediately as this might be done for so that it will not be overlooked, and I regret that we have not persons whom you are acquainted with, although it might not have been able to get copies of the charter made so as to send you readily done. I do not wish to urge the matter at all, inasmuch as one promptly. A good many clubs have been formed this spring, and I can readily understand why it would not be easy for your firm to send out samples in this way. I sincerely hope that you will let us be of any assistance possible. I am writing to you about this matter, I am, to you, and if there is other literature connected with the Extension Department in the line of Nature-Study, or special subjects in agriculture and horticulture that you desire, do not hesitate to write for them. We would like to keep in touch with your work, and we shall be greatly interested in your success.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

May 26, 1902,

Miss Flora S. Davis
Gabriels, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Kent:

I have ordered from you samples before, and have ordered goods at different times from the mills direct. If your rules are such that Mutual Help Club, I regret very much that I cannot send you a line, you do not wish to send samples to individuals. Special orders for mills are represented by dealers. I can order the printed, Yours is the first club to be ready for it, and it will not be difficult, and of course I am to comply with the ruling. I thought be the first one to receive the charter. I am filing your letter, however, that I would write you immediately as this might be done for so that it will not be overlooked, and I regret that we have not persons whom you are acquainted with, although it might not have been able to get copies of the charter made so as to send you readily done. I do not wish to urge the matter at all, inasmuch as one promptly. A good many clubs have been formed this spring, and I can readily understand why it would not be easy for your firm to send out samples in this way. I sincerely hope that you will let us be of any assistance possible. I am writing to you about this matter, I am, to you, and if there is other literature connected with the Extension Department in the line of Nature-Study, or special subjects in agriculture and horticulture that you desire, do not hesitate to write for them. We would like to keep in touch with your work, and we shall be greatly interested in your success.

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Thanking you for your attention to this matter, I am,
Very truly,

Mrs. M. S. Cowles
Sibley, Kans.

My dear Mrs. Cowles:

I am very much pleased to know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. I am placing your sister's name upon the mailing list and sending her the literature we have already printed. Your name will be continued on our list as long as we are able to send outside of the state. I hope you will be free to write us at any time if there are any suggestions which you can make, or questions you would like to ask.

Very cordially,
My dear Miss Davis,

I was very much pleased to have your recent letter and to know of your interest in the Women's Reading Course.

I am glad to hear about your Mother's Meetings, because I think you are doing a fine work. You certainly deserve a great deal of credit for your undertaking in behalf of the little people.

I do not believe that work of that kind ever is lost, and these little ones whom you are caring for are rich in their opportunities.

We rarely find anyone who will undertake, so conscientiously, work of this kind, and study the children to know what they need in the way of education. I will have sent you our Nature-Study work, and possibly it will be of interest to the little people.

I wish you might be able to find the boarders that you desire, and I wish I were in a position to help you in this respect. Many people who are brain workers long to get into the fresh air and the beautiful surroundings of the country. I shall keep it in mind and let you know if I know of anyone seeking such a place. Write me at any time, because it is a real pleasure to hear from our readers.

I have your letter asking to be registered in the Women's Reading Course and it gives me great pleasure to place your name upon the mailing list. Our lists have become so large that we are preparing for the publication of new editions of the same work. If, therefore, you do not receive the lessons this spring, I am pleased to place your name upon our "Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and while the editions of some of our lessons are now exhausted, they will be reprinted in the fall and you will eventually receive the entire list. The course is

Very cordially,

Mrs. G. S. Davis
May 28, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Shepherd:

Mrs. E. A. G. Shaffer
Menlhus, N. Y.

I have your letter asking to be registered in the Women's Reading Course, and it gives me great pleasure to let you know that you may be registered as convenient for you. I think it is an excellent opportunity for all good work in a temperance line, and to make women interested in the betterment of homes, and especially more efficient in the home work of the state. If, therefore, you do not receive the lessons this spring, please look for them in the fall and following winter.

You will not need to send any more stamps as the course is free to women of the state.

Very cordially yours,
June 13, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Torrance:

I have your letter and am glad to know that Mrs. F. E. Popcorn will start the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I wish you the best of luck in this work. I am pleased to receive your letter and to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I want to thank you especially for the list of names which you have sent. We are glad to have the literature reach any woman in the state who are at all interested or who might be in the least bit benefited. Any names which you will send me of women within the state of New York, we will place upon our mailing list. We find this plan very much better than sending large quantities to one person, because it causes that individual more or less trouble. However, I think it would be well for you to have some copies for an occasional interested person, and I shall be glad to send them. Our files have become completely exhausted by an unusual demand this winter and spring, and we are revising and getting ready for new editions to be ready in the fall and following winter, so that it will be impossible to send you any number of these at present. Kindly send names whenever it is convenient for you. I think it is an excellent opportunity to do good work in a temperance line, and to make women interested in the betterment of homes, and especially more efficient as you feel like it. I hope you will send me the names of such women whenever you feel like it. I wish you a great deal of success and inspiration in your work.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Encouragement. A letter of this kind fills a high mission.

I wish you a great deal of success and inspiration in your work.

[Signature]
June 13, 1902.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Torrance
Hillsider, Chateauguay Basin,
Westfield, Quebec.

My dear Mrs. Torrance:

Mrs. F. M. Kennedy
Italy, N. Y.

I have your letter and am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course. I wish you could send me some literature for the benefit of the women whom you have mentioned in your letter. The demand within our own course is so great during the winter that everything we have on hand is printed except one lesson. We shall start in with reprints, and I hope at that time I may be able to give you the needed exercise, but I would refer you to Lesson 3 on Saving Strength, or some special exercises for reducing flesh.

Sometimes our general work does not bring muscular exertion where it is needed to burn off the flesh. It is well to avoid starch and fat foods, as they do much toward keeping and increasing flesh. I believe that those who are practicing for athletic feats eat no foods which contain sugars and starches, and that they follow as far as possible a diet which will furnish raw food, even eating raw meat. This I am told, keeps their flesh down. There are special treatments suggested by different schools, but they need a specialist along that line to describe them. I wish I might be of some assistance to you in this line.

I am much interested to receive your letter, and to know that you realize the conditions which exist in extending and thank you for it. Write me whenever you feel like it. I want to tell you that we have had so many thousand letters that we feel that we have no reason to be discouraged, which you desire.

My dear Mrs. Torrance:

I wish you a great deal of success and inspiration in your work.

Very cordially,

June 13, 1902.
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Mrs. Elizabeth M. Torrance
Hillsdale, Chatneugay Basin,
Westfield, Quebec.

My dear Mrs. Torrance:

I have your letter and am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Women's Reading Course. I wish I could send as some literature for the benefit of the women whom you have mentioned in your letter. The demand within our own state has been so great during the winter that everything we have is out of print except one lesson. We shall start in with reprints and have new work next winter. I hope at that time I may be able to help you. These women whom you mentioned are just the kind we like to send our work to. As this is a state appropriation we cannot plan to send much literature outside, but the occasional applicant has not been refused. It will not do, however, for us to send in applications, though so that the women entirely alone. She generally very much interested to hear from any one whom she knew when she was in the city, having lived in Washington. It seems to me that there be sent you anything printed upon the subjects you need. Cordially, however, we have nothing. You are more likely to receive them from the Department at Washington.

Mrs. W. L. Cronkhite
Wyoming, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Cronkhite:

I am much interested to receive your letter and to know that you realize the conditions which exist in extending our work among women. I want to tell you that we have had so many kind replies that we feel that we have no reason to be discouraged, and I also want to thank you for your kind words of sympathy and encouragement. A letter of this kind fills a high mission.

I wish you a great deal of success and inspiration in your work.

Very cordially,
I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I trust that the lessons will be of interest to each one of the women, and that all will feel free to write us for assistance or to make suggestions. I am sorry I could not have met you when I was in Westfield.

Ellen van Remselaer, now Mrs. L. H. Carter, of Randolph, N. Y., and I are half sisters. She taught in Akron at the time you mentioned. She was married about ten or twelve years ago, and her husband died about four years ago. She remains in the home, having a part of the house rented so that she is not entirely alone. She will be very much interested to hear from any one whom she knew when she was in Akron.

Very cordially, however, we have nothing. You are more likely to receive them from the Department at Washington.

The raising of cranberries is not general enough in New York State to have insured any special study here. It seems to me there ought to be something upon the maple sugar industry. It is a very interesting subject.

Yours cordially,
June 27, 1902.

Mr. T. C. Perry
Wallkill, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Perry:

Miss Eugenie Unland had to know that you were interested in the
subject of Sanitation. I have looked for a little book to send to you, and which contains some very
valuable hints upon the subject. I cannot send you the
be copies of lessons connected with the Farmer's Wife's Reading Course
one that you desire, but both are practically out of print, and we cannot
not send out any until new editions are had next fall. At that
time we shall be very glad to supply you with the number which you
can make use of. In the meantime I would suggest that you send
the names of any New York State women whom you would like to have
the lessons sent to us, they are published, so that you will always
feel free. I am handing your letter to the Director of the Experiment
Station, with the request that there be sent you anything printed
upon the subjects you mention. I fear, however, we have nothing.

You are more likely to receive them from the Department at Washington.

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to have insured any special study here. It seems to me there ought
to be something upon the maple sugar industry. It is a very inter-
esting subject.

Yours cordially,
June 25, 1902.

Mr. T. C. Perry
Walkills, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Perry:

I am glad to know that you were interested in the subject of our lesson on Sanitation. I have looked for a little book to send you which I thought I had, and which contains some very valuable hints upon the subject which you referred to. I may not be able to find it. At any rate I am referring your letter to someone who understands this subject thoroughly, and who will be glad to give you information upon it.

I enclose a list of titles of Farmers' Bulletins published at Cornell, and infer from your letter that you wish another copy of one which I sent you some time ago. It appears from your letter that you are interested in more than usual interest in the lesson on Sanitation.

I am very glad to have you write, and hope that you will always feel free to call upon us for information in any line that it is possible for us to assist you.

Very truly,

June 27, 1902.

Mr. Fred. L. Higley
Perry, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Perry:

I have received your letter of June 25th. I am very glad to have you write, and hope that you will always feel free to call upon us for information in any line that it is possible for us to assist you.

Thanking you most cordially for your assistance, I am,

Very truly,
June 27, 1902.

Mr. Frank E. Richey
Laselle, Ill.

Dear Sir:

We were not able to send out more than five bulletin addressing to Prof. De Garms has been referred to me, and I take pleasure in having sent to you a package of bulletins and leaflets relating to agricultural subjects, which I shall have taken pleasure in having sent you. I have your cordial letter regarding the Women's Reading Course, and assure you that the delay in sending the answers therewith a list of bulletins issued by the Cornell Department. I hope you will write us whenever you have any questions or suggestions to make, as the correspondence with our readers is a part which is very pleasant and very profitable to us in gaining ideas. The work is provided by a state appropriation, and of course the Extension work is largely within the state. I hope you will feel free to write for anything further in this line that you may desire.

Very cordially,

Yours truly,
My dear Mrs. Stanley:

Netherod, N. Y.

Mrs. Fred P. Jones, this year, so that I presume you have them all.

You should have Saving Steps, Home Sanitation, Saving Strength,

Very dear Mrs. Jones:

Food for the Farmer's Family and the Kitchen Garden. We shall have

I have your cordial letter regarding the Women's

Reading Course, and assure you that the delay in sending the answers

I hope that you will find them of interest, and should there be any

to quizzes is all right. I know full well what it means to be too

of those that I have mentioned which you have not received, kindly

busy to attend to them, things as promptly as one wishes to.

I am very glad you are interested in the Reading Course. The home pro-

February. I am having sent you bulletins on fruit trees. Prob-

lems are those which seem to be arousing more than usual interest

believe we have nothing on asparagus, but it will reach you in we

nowadays, and I consider it a great ambition to be a successful home

maker. I hope you will write us whenever you have any questions

Very truly,

your suggestions to make, as the correspondence with our readers

is a part which is very pleasant and very profitable to us in gaining

ideas. I want to thank you especially for the list of names of

women for the Reading Course, and assure you that this is assistance

that we greatly appreciate.

I have written him in a general way, I do not undertake to answer

questions which should have expert advice. One of the objects of

our Extension work is to extend help to this kind to any in the

country who cannot come to college. I shall consider it a great

favor if you will answer the letter, and if you wish, our stenographer

will call at your home to receive dictation, so that this may not

cause you any more inconvenience than is necessary.

Thanking you most cordially for your assistance, I am,

Very truly,
My dear Miss Stanley
Netherwood, N. Y.

Mrs. Sarah A. Moore was promised by the Chautauqua Department of Instruction the sixth lesson in the Housewives' Reading Course. We were not able to send out more than five Reading lessons this year, so that I presume you have them all. You should have Saving Steps, Home Sanitation, Saving Strength, Food for the Farmer's Family and the Kitchen Garden. We shall have sent you the bulletin for the sixth lesson above mentioned before the holidays, and you will receive them as they are published. The lessons are so well printed that it is only necessary to wait until they are read aloud to you. I hope that you will find them of interest, and should there be any delay before receiving them all, you will be able to understand the lessons of those that I have mentioned which you have not received, kindly advise me. Two were sent out in the month of March, and none in February. I am having them sent to you on fruit trees. I believe we have nothing on asparagus, but it will reach you if we have not. We are very glad to send anything that is of interest to you.

Very truly,

My dear Prof. Moore:

I enclose herewith a letter which has been sent by one of the members of our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, although I judge it is from a farmer instead of a farmer's wife. I have written him in a general way, but do not undertake to answer questions which should have expert advice. One of the objects of our Extension work is to extend help to this kind to any in the country who cannot come to college. I shall consider it a great favor if you will answer the letter, and if you wish, our stenographer will call at your home to receive dictation, so that this may not cause you any more inconvenience than is necessary.

Thanking you most cordially for your assistance, I am,

Very truly,
July 1, 1902

My dear Friend:

Mrs. Sarah A. Wood were promised by the Chautauqua Department of 423 E. 54th St.,

Instruction, the Sixth Lesson in the Housewives' Reading Course on

they subject of the best way to do housework. These Lessons as sent

out have been those used by the Extension Department of Cornell Uni-

versity. It's a series of lessons given to persons within the

My dear Mrs. Raymond:

state Department of Extension given to persons desiring to

print the lesson above menti-

May I ask you when the Mothers' Assembly as

ioned until fall and of whom I am obliged to ask you to wait until that

to be held, and whether I shall send you literature to be placed

on the table, or whether it would save you some trouble if I sent

already have reached you. The Cornell Extension Department has been much larger than

it to some one else. Doubtless the literature will not be very

well anticipated and the amount of printing in the latter part of the

much help to women outside of villages and the rural district, but

there are women who are interested in farm homes who might aid us

in reaching these homes, and that is perhaps one way by which the

demand for printing. There are women who are interested in farm homes who might aid us

in reaching these homes, and that is perhaps one way by which the

extension. I am glad to place upon

your name this printed list for the sixth copy

of the Reading Course for Housewives.

University, with the very cordiality may find the lessons of interest.

very cordially,

M. M. L. A. 

Very cordially,

operation in any work which they might like to extend to the farm

women. This work has been taken up in villages, and in some women's

clubs, but it is of course written for farmers' wives. We do not

want to make it a burden anywhere. The only point is to have it a

reach those whom we may be able to interest in better home-keeping,

the conservation of health, strength and time, and adding to life

some of the graces and pleasures which come from reading, etc.

Hoping that it may be my pleasure to meet you at some time,

I am,

Very cordially,
July 1, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Montague:

Mrs. M. V. Raymond

You are a resident of the state of New York, and as such you are entitled to the literature free of charge. The Chautauqua Department of Instruction adapts the work of the Cornell Extension Department to some one else. Doubtless the literature will be very for readers outside of the state, charging a fee of fifty cents. Much help to women outside of villages and the rural district, but this work is provided for persons within the state by state appropriation, making it free to its residents. The fact was doubtless in reaching those homes, and that is perhaps one way by which the overlooked that you were within the state, and your fee has been returned to me. The Mothers' organization can aid. We shall be glad to place upon that account. I enclose herewith fifty cents, and assure our lists all women interested, wherever they may live within the state, of Instruction I would send to the president a letter offering our co-letters. Very cordially,

[additional text not legible]
Miss Helen Taylor
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Miss Taylor:

I am glad to know that you have found our leaflet in your work, and I shall send you, as soon as they are received from the printer, copies which you are very welcome to use without expense on your part. While the work is intended for distribution in New York State, we are doing our best to send out as large a supply as possible and if we can obtain work to another section, we shall be quite as acceptable to us. Any assistance you may be able to please make in the matter will be much appreciated.

May I ask you when the Mother's Assembly is to be held, and whether I shall send you literature to be placed upon the table, or whether it would save you some trouble if I sent it to some one else. Doubtless the literature will not be very much help to women outside of villages and the rural district, but there are women who are interested in farm homes who might aid us in reaching those homes, and that is perhaps one way by which the Mothers' organization can aid. We shall be glad to place upon our lists all women interested, wherever they may live within the state. If I may obtain the list of clubs belonging to the organization I would send to the president a letter offering our cooperation in any work which they might like to extend to the farmstead women. This work has been taken up in villages, and in some women's clubs, but it is of course written for farmers' wives. We do not want to make it a burden anywhere. The only point is to have it reach those whom we may be able to interest in better home keeping, the conservation of health, strength and time, and adding to life some of the graces and pleasures which come from reading, etc.

Hoping that it may be my pleasure to meet you at some time,

I am, very cordially,

Oct. 17, 1902.
My dear Miss Weston: 

Miss Ellen Taylor, 
Norfolk, Va. 

I enclose an announcement of the Winter Course course has more boys than girls in it, but 
Prof. Gould tells me that opportunity is afforded by this 
station only to those who are quite advanced 
and those who remain after graduation for special work. 

I was glad to know that you have found our leaf-
lets of some benefit in your work, and I shall send you, as soon as 
they are received from the printer, copies which you are very welcome 
to use without expense on your part. While the work is intended 
for redistribution in New York State, you ask for so few copies that 
we are very glad to send them to you them on that day. As the expense 
of mailing you much success. I am in the department at Cornell we 
hope 

Very cordially,

Very cordially,

F. C. Paul, 
Cornell U. 

My dear Mrs. Paul: 

I have read your letter regarding the leaflets. The reason you did not receive more was that our supply was exhausted before our members could be supplied. We are having them reprinted and will soon be able to send you all of the copies. We regret this very much, but the demand has been greater than we were able to meet last year, and we are now trying to get the work into shape. 

Very cordially,
My dear Miss Easton:—

Dear Prof. John Norman:—

Mrs. Byron Lewis
Panama, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lewis:—

I send you an announcement of the Winter Course which I have written for your Corner. The course has more boys than girls in it, but it is very helpful to girls as I have found from experience. I have your postal, and will be at Panama in time for the meeting Thursday afternoon at two o'clock. I will write you more definitely later at what hour I shall arrive, and in the work, and those who remain after graduation for special work, when I will have to leave. As I have no appointment for Wednesday I am wondering if there is a grange there somewhere in that locality which would care to have me come to them on that day. As the expense of this work is borne by the Extension Department at Cornell we find it necessary to economize our time as far as possible, and if we could extend our work to another grange on Wednesday, it would be quite satisfactory to us. Any suggestion you may be able to make in this regard will be much appreciated.

Thanking you, I am, very cordially,

Oct. 20, 1902.

Mrs. M. C. Sheldon
Martinsburg, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sheldon:—

I am glad to place your name upon our mailing list, and you will receive the lessons beginning in November. I should send you some sooner, but we are having to reprint them this fall, and this is causing some delay. I hope to hear from you at any time that you may desire our work, I am, very cordially,

Oct. 17, 1902.
My dear Miss Easton:

Dear Miss Van Norman:

[Signature]

I enclose an announcement of the Winter Course in Agriculture. The course has more boys than girls in it, but it is very helpful to girls as I have found from experience.

Prof. Craig tells me that opportunity is afforded for employment in the Experiment Station only to those who are quite advanced in it, and may as well keep at it until it is so. I suggest that there is always an opportunity to secure a good position as a special teacher in Nature Study, and that you pursue it. The Department of the Ithaca Women's Club and I shall offer to assist you in the work, and those who remain after graduation for special work.

I have, with a friend, outlined a course for the Domestic Science Department of the Ithaca Women's Club, and I shall offer to assist you in the work, and those who remain after graduation for special work.

If there is anything further that I can find out for you, please let me know, and I shall be pleased to help you in any way I can.

Hoping that you will continue to improve in health, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]

Editor "Waverly FREE" Sincerely, your friend,

Waverly, N. Y.

My dear Miss Easton:

I want to thank you for the copy of the Free Press, and for the notice of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. We greatly appreciate your help, and we hope to have more copies later. I have sent you only a few copies of the Reading Course for farmers' wives inasmuch as our issues are out of print, and replacements are now being made. I hope these which I am sending you will be of some aid in your work, although I fear they will not reach you in time for your first meeting. Should you desire more copies later, please write me and I shall be pleased to send them.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Dear Mrs. Van Nostrand:

Canaan Four Corners, N. Y.

I enclose herewith copy which you returned to me recently. I have made but few changes. However, they may obviate the difficulty which you mentioned in your letter. If not, please send it back with directions for further changes. We want your meetings. Our literature was entirely exhausted last year and may as well keep it until it is reprinted. I have, with a friend, outlined a course for the Domestic Science Department of the Ithaca Women's Club, and I shall offer it to the printers. Then if you will send me the names of the members, each member will receive her reading course direct from this material in "Home and Flowers", and this will be entirely separate from the University work.

I hope you will communicate with us at any time that we can have a day for meeting. I can do as suggested in your letter.

We have found that we had no more taking subject with the interest of any assistance, and be assured that we are much interested in women than that of Saving Steps, because they feel the need so much in your work in the Grange, and wish you a most profitable and pleasant season.

Very truly,

Very cordially,

Editor "Waverly Free Press."
Waverly, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you for the copy of the Free Press, and for the notice of the Farmers' Wife Reading Course. We greatly appreciate the courtesy in the newspapers in bringing us into touch with the farm life. A feature of the work has brought to our attention the fact that the rural community reads the newspaper. Thus we find it a very helpful relation to use in our efforts to reach the farmer and his family.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Amos Haight
Canaan Four Corners, N. Y.

I enclose copy of a letter which I am sending to the secretary of your Grange.

My dear Mrs. Haight:

Nov. 1st happens to be a date that I could arrange for Randolph, as I speak at Franklinville Friday and considering favorably the introduction of the Reading Course into Buffalo Monday. I am to speak at a Grange in Penna. on Thursday, your meetings. Our literature was entirely exhausted last year and could possibly be in Randolph Wednesday, but it would be very by the demand which we had, and we are having it reprinted. I doubtful, as I speak at a meeting in Penna. on Tuesday shall, however, send you twenty leaflets as soon as they are received of course joining in Randolph is largely a matter of sentiment, al from the printer. Then if you will send me the names of the mem bers, each member will receive her Reading Course direct from this depend upon me for more work than my duties would permit me to do, Department.

I hope you will communicate with us at any time that we can in your work in the Grange, and wish you a most profitable and pleasant season.

Very cordially,

Mar. 1902.
Dear Mr. Dow:

I enclose copy of a letter which I am sending to the secretary of your Grange. Nov. 1st happens to be a date that I could arrange for Randolph, as I speak at Franklinville Friday, and Buffalo Monday. I am to speak at a Grange in Panama on Thursday, and could possibly be in Randolph Wednesday, but it would be very doubtful, as I speak at a meeting in Pennsylvania on Tuesday.

Of course joining in Randolph is largely a matter of sentiment, although I have the offer of an Institute at Nanao at eight o'clock in the afternoon I do not like to join here because they would naturally continue risks for work more than my duties would permit me to do. However, if Saturday is not a day for meeting I can do as suggested in my letter to Mrs. Fargo. I mention this to you as we had some conversation about it.

The line of organization and I have had an, I remember issue. Should there be anything about which you would like to have changes, kindly return it to me with changes indicated.

I am connected with the Department of Public Women's Clubs together with my own work in the state to an extent to make me feel that this Department is evidently progressing. Things, however, are not well prepared for. It is a matter of the whole state to direct these changes, and it makes it seem beat that this Department is not in the matter. Last spring Prof. Craig to the heads of this Department that Mr. V. D. Smith of the state to carry on by state arrange an accompanist in the state. He advises us to proceed with something of this sort.

I have been disappointed not to be in Randolph at sometime when the Grange was to have a meeting, and I still want to become a member. I think it would be possible for me to be there Nov. 1st. Will you please write me whether that is a regular meeting? Of course I could join here, but I would rather like to belong in Randolph if it can be arranged. If necessary I can withdraw my application from Randolph, join somewhere else, and any transfer at any time it seemed desirable.

Thanking you for your attention to this, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. Leila Fargo
Randolph, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Fargo:

I have been disappointed not to be in Randolph at sometime when the Grange was to have a meeting, and I still want to become a member. I think it would be possible for me to be there Nov. 1st. Will you please write me whether that is a regular meeting? Of course I could join here, but I would rather like to belong in Randolph if it can be arranged. If necessary I can withdraw my application from Randolph, join somewhere else, and any transfer at any time it seemed desirable.

Thanking you for your attention to this, I am,

Very cordially,
pages 354-355 are missing
Oct. 27, 1902

My dear Mrs. Dewey:—

Institute as heretofore arranged. Mr. Dawley gives as his reason I had hoped to see you in Albany last week. I telephoned to your house, but I think it was after you had returned and I told the maid I would telephone the next day if I had time. I left the city for an Institute at Nassau at eight o'clock in the morning, returning at one, and left at 1:15 o'clock. I should have stayed over if it had been a possible thing to do as I wanted to talk with you. I enclose a proof of your article. It will appear in our December issue. Should there be anything about it which you would like to have changes, kindly return it to me with changes indicated. It is satisfactory to me, but I thought possibly you would like to see the proof. The cuts have come out very well.

The Home Institute is evidently progressing. Things, however, have taken a turn, which makes it seem best that this Department should not be aggressive in the matter. Last spring Prof. Craig conferred with Mr. Dawley, and arrived at the following understanding which was satisfactory to this Department:

The Home Institutes should be under the Bureau of Farmers Institutes of the Department of Agriculture, and I was to be appointed as directress, thus connecting this Department with the work.

In corresponding with Mr. Dawley I have consulted him regarding the question of any change, and that Miss Barrows will not take directress; thus connecting this Department with the work.

In the fall of last year we wrote courteous if I attend these meetings. Not many days ago he sent a letter to Prof. Craig in which he said this is rather unusual because I hope we would not merit any other that we had invited Miss Barrows to act as directress of these Institutes. This, therefore, puts an end to our connection with the
Institutes as heretofore arranged. Mr. Dawley gives as his reason for the change, the impression which he had that I had suggested it. I told him in a letter that I would be very glad if he would secure Miss Barrows for work in the Institutes. This suggestion was made by the Agricultural Association I do not know, but since I am chairman, I am wondering if it would not be better for the Association to make some one else chairman who could have a closer interest in the subject. I think that Miss Barrows would have been more fully prepared if she had had more meetings. I have had an unusual experience for a woman in making acquaintances throughout the state. I also am connected with the Department of Public Instruction in work, and with women's clubs together with my acquaintance with the farm homes of the state to an extent to make me feel that my field of work in this respect would be easier than to attempt something I am not as well prepared for. It is a matter of much surprise to me and to the heads of this Department that Mr. Dawley should choose a woman outside of the state to direct these meetings. Not only because they are to be carried on by state appropriation, and she would not have an acquaintance in the state, but we shall not have an acquaintance in the state she is to work with. Miss Barrows will be excellent help, and I have no doubt to help her to any great extent, but because we have hoped for an appropriation to cover women's work in the state. He advises us that it is too late to make any change, and that Miss Barrows will in all probability treat me courteously if I attend these meetings.

This is rather amusing because I hope I would not merit any other treatment, and I do not think Miss Barrows capable of giving any
Dear Mrs. Humphreys:

I think the lessons were probably received here before writing you, but somehow heard that they were here. I am glad to know that you are interested in \other. We feel that the most dignified thing for us to do is to strengthen our own work, hoping that it may meet with real help among the farmers. Our attitude will be cordial, however, toward the Home Institutes. Just what arrangement should be made by the Economic Association I do not know, but since I am chairman of that committee, I am wondering if it would not be better for the Association to make some one else chairman who could have a closer connection with the Home Institutes. Mr. Dawley has written us to send him names of persons whom we would confer with regarding the Institutes in different places that we settle upon for meetings. I fail to see how I can pass on my acquaintance and what influence I may have with club women, teachers and farmers' wives. It is a matter of growth, and does not appeal to me as something that can be transferred.

I am sorry my trip was so hasty, but I did not reach Albany until 9:00 o'clock in the evening, and had to go to an Institute the next morning. I thought a little of coming up to see you that night; once, and they will receive the numbers as they are printed. This embarrassment on our part of course need not affect anyone else. Miss Barrows will be excellent help, and I have no doubt the meetings will be very successful.

Mr. Spencer who called Very cordially yours,

Very sincerely,

P.S. Address Mrs. George Lockwood, Manchester, N. H.
Dear Mr. Humphrey:

Mrs. J. B. Johnson
Jauins, N. Y.

I think the lessons were probably received here.

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. Should it not be convenient for you to attend the Grange, possibly you will send the circular to some woman who would be interested in sending us the names of women who would like to belong to the course. It is not necessary to take up the work by organizing a club if it seems best not to do so. Women interested may have the reading by sending name and address.

Mr. George W. Cook
Elliott Square, Buffalo

Thanking you for your letter regarding the work, I am,

Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Cowles,

I am pleased to note by your letter that you are now located in Buffalo, and I think I can be of more assistance to you should I have an opportunity to talk with you about your work.

Mrs. Leon L. Cowles
Oxford, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Cowles,

I want to thank you for your letter giving word to you to call at the Elliott Square Building, or get word to you to call. I want to thank you for your letter giving

the names of several women who will be interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. Their names will be placed upon our mailing list at once, and they will receive the numbers as they are printed.

This is the help which we are especially glad to have, as we like to send the lessons to women who may be interested. I am glad to know that you have Very cordially,

Mr. Spencer who called my attention to your work, sometimes goes through Buffalo, and I shall ask him if he cannot see you on one of these trips.

P.S. Address Mrs. Grace Lockwood, Randolph, N. Y.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Humphrey:

I think the lesson was probably received here promptly. I inquired before writing you, but could not learn that they were here, but your letter has brought them to light.

I am sorry regarding the change of the number of the Lesson Saving Strength. I do not know where the mistake occurred.

I enclose original copy of that page. I did not notice in reading the last proof that the number had been changed.

Very truly,

Oct. 29, 1902.

Mr. George W. Cook,
350 Ellicott Square,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Dear Friend:

I am pleased to note by your letter that you are now located in Buffalo. I think I can be of more assistance to you should I have an opportunity to talk with you about your work.

I shall be in Buffalo Monday, Nov. 29, and it is possible I may have an opportunity to call at the Ellicott Square Building or get word to you to call upon me somewhere on that day. As my plans are uncertain do not change your work in any way in order to see me.

I think I shall be able to bring some books with me, and if I do not see you I shall have them sent to the Ellicott Square Building at the number given.

Your last letter is very free from mistakes. I am glad to know that you have received some benefit from the correspondence. Mr. Spencer who called my attention to your work, sometimes goes through Buffalo, and I shall ask him if he cannot see you on one of these trips.

P. S. Address Mrs. Grace Lockwood, Randolph, N.Y.

Very sincerely,
Oct. 29, 1902.

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Do you remember the Salvation Army boy who wrote

In connection with our Women's Reading Course
to you for help in Nature Study and in general lines? You will
of the Extension Department we are asked questions upon nearly all
remember that I undertook his case somewhat, and I enclose a letter
subjects. A woman wishes to write a paper upon the German minister
from him. I had had three letters returned recently, and am glad
Andrew D. White. She has asked me to look up something here, that
to have found him. This letter looks very much better than
she can read so as to become informed upon the subject. I wrote
her in a general way, not having anything in particular to send her,
if you are in Buffalo you could not arrange
but I am told you have written something about the papers, and would
to have a little chat with him. It would do him an immense amount
know just where to find what others have written. I have called
at Barnes Hall, but not when you were there. As I am going out
My itinerary is as follows: Institutes--Warsaw and Delevan
of town and will not have an opportunity to see you, may I ask if
Thursday and Friday of this week. Saturday a change in Randolph,
you will kindly write referring her to literature pertaining to the
where I business initiated, and will give you a clip upon my return.
life of Mr. White. I do not wish to tax you, and I am sorry I can-
Sunday in the houses of my own folks; Monday a Mothers' Meeting in
not see you to simply have you tell me about it, and let me do the

Thanking you most heartily for your assistance, and assuring
about three cheers for our best man who include Odell, Higgins and
you that it will make this woman very happy, I am,
Nixon. I am sorry I am not a voter with such good men in the
field.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

P.S. Address Mrs. Grace Lockwood, Randolph, N. Y.
Oct. 29, 1902.

Dear Mr. Spence:-

Mr. Wm. Baker, 108 Hudson St.-Do you remember the Salvation Army boy who wrote to you for help in Nature Study and in general lines? You will remember that I undertook his case somewhat, and I enclose a letter from him. I had had three letters returned recently, and am glad to have found him again. This letter looks very much better than the first ones he wrote.

I am wondering if you can arrange to have a little chat with him. It would do him an immense amount of good. 309 E. State St. If it is possible, please let me hear. My itinerary is as follows: Monday, Teachers' Institutes, Warsaw and Delavan, Thursday and Friday of this week, Saturday, a Grange in Randolph, where I became initiated, and will give you a grip upon my return.

Sunday in the presence of my own folks, Monday a Mothers' Meeting in Buffalo, Industrial Union, Tuesday a Mothers' Meeting at Endeavor, Thursday a Grange at Panama; Friday returning my Ithaca and penates of Ithaca.

Just where I shall vote I do not know, but I shall wave my hat, and shout three cheers for our best man, who include Odell, Higgins and Nixon. I am sorry I am not a voter with such good men in the field.

Very sincerely,

Oct. 30, 1902.

Dear Mr. Spence:-

Mr. Wm. Baker, 108 Hudson St.-Do you remember the Salvation Army boy who wrote to you for help in Nature Study and in general lines? You will remember that I undertook his case somewhat, and I enclose a letter from him. I had had three letters returned recently, and am glad to have found him again. This letter looks very much better than the first ones he wrote.

I am wondering if you can arrange to have a little chat with him. It would do him an immense amount of good. 309 E. State St. If it is possible, please let me hear. My itinerary is as follows: Monday, Teachers' Institutes, Warsaw and Delavan, Thursday and Friday of this week, Saturday, a Grange in Randolph, where I became initiated, and will give you a grip upon my return.

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Just where I shall vote I do not know, but I shall wave my hat, and shout three cheers for our best man, who include Odell, Higgins and Nixon. I am sorry I am not a voter with such good men in the field.

Very sincerely,
I am doing less Institute work than usual, but as a matter of accommodation, and because we feel that it is wise to be somewhat represented in the Teachers' Institutes, I have been out several days this fall for work. I returned yesterday from a ten day trip, having spoken at two Institutes, two Mothers' meetings, two

Oct. 30, 1902.

Mr. C. Baker is a busy man. Ithaca, N. Y., had thought of Miss Elliott's criticism re-

Dear Mr. Baker:

ity of farm women to secure the kind of bed which you described, but we want to use in one of the rooms for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course a picture of a table properly set. This is to be simple, for it is to be suitable for a farm home. Prof. Craig suggests that you sketch a picture of a table.

As I am going away Mrs. De Carmo will set a table at her home and nine, 302 E. State St. If it is possible for you to do this, will you kindly let me know when you will be here, giving her notice so that she can have it in readiness when you come? My name is in the telephone book, and you can call for her if you wish to notify her in that way. Let me say that we are really in much haste for this, and if you can get it out this week and deliver to Prof. Craig, it will be a great accommodation. I am sorry to have to hurry you as I know you are busy.

Thanking you for your attention in the matter, I am,

Very sincerely,

Mr. Dowley has now written that he has thought best to arrange the Home Institutes according to the previous plan. I have submitted the letter to Prof. Craig for the decision of the Department. He has had the matter of special interest develop along in regard to it, and will do just as they wish me to about it.

The delay is somewhat unfortunate, but if I take up the work of preparation for these Institutes, will push matters as fast as I can. Work I hope you will let me know from you. I will,

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Dear Professor: 

I am doing less Institute work than usual, but as a matter of accommodation, and because we feel that it is wise to be somewhat represented in the Teachers’ Institutes, I have been out several days this fall for work. I returned yesterday from a ten days’ trip, having spoken at two Institutes, two Mothers’ meetings, two 

my dear Mrs. Dewar: 

I know of nothing I had thought of Miss Elliott’s criticisms regarding the inability of farm women to secure the kind of bed which you described, but while we wish to write particularly for those women who are deprived of the better things, we still have a large number of readers who can have a bed about as they want it. It, therefore, seems best to write for them to some extent. It seems to me your description will set all women who read it to thinking of ways by which they can improve their beds. Many of them have borrowed blankets, and other bedding which is even difficult for 

written regarding the Farmers’ Women’s Reading Course. I feel very 

I have written Mr. Moses for bill of the photographs, but it 

early the wisdom of teaching girls in a way so that they may apply 

has not yet been received. 

their scientific training, and school work generally, to household 

I am sorry not to put your name above the article, but will 

affairs. We need to educate girls and boys to live. Teachers 

conform to your wishes in the matter. 

are already crowded with the training for scholarship which, useful 

I will send you something regarding my work at Lake Placid, 

as it is does not take the place altogether of practical training 

although it was so informal I did not suppose it would be incorpo- 

for the work in life which girls and boys will be called upon to do- 

rated in the proceedings. I hope I have not delayed you on this 

I am sending you the work connected with our Department, and hope 

account and thanks for their assistance. Mr. Dewar, 

it will not only interest you but be of real value in your work. 

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the Home Institutes according to the previous plan. I have sub- 

mitted the letter to Prof. Craig for the decision of the Department 

hold matters. Should anything of special interest develop along 

in regard to it, and will do just as they wish me to about it. 

these lines, it would be a great pleasure to us to have you report 

The delay is somewhat unfortunate, but if I take up the work of pre- 

and should it be possible for us to be of any assistance in your 

paring for these Institutes, will press matters as fast as I can. 

work I hope you will let me know. 

from you, I am, 

Very cordially;

Very cordially,
Dear Friend:

I am doing less Institute work than usual, but as a matter of accommodation, and because we feel that it is wise to be somewhat represented in the Teachers' Institutes, I have been out several days this fall for work. I returned yesterday from a ten day's trip, having spoken at two Institutes, two Mothers' Meetings, two Granges and a Farmers' Club.

I know of nothing at present to take me to Albany, but should I go near you, I would be sure to come and have a visit.

I will keep you advised in regard to the Home Institute question.

Very cordially,

C. E. Fairbanks

Miss Mary W. Flanagan
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Flanagan:

I am, very cordially, and assuring you that we shall always be glad to hear from you.

I am interested in the letter which you have written regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I feel very keenly the wisdom of teaching girls in a way so that they may apply their scientific training, and school work generally, to household affairs. We need to educate girls and boys to live. Teachers are already crowded with the training for scholarship which, useful as it is, does not take the place altogether of practical training for the work in life which girls and boys will be called upon to do.

I am sending you the work connected with our Department, and hope you will appreciate the beauty of their surroundings and the value of it. It will not only interest you, but be of real value in your work.

Having been connected with school work for a number of years I am exceedingly interested in the application of school work to household problems. Should anything of special interest develop along this line, it would be a great pleasure to us to have you report it, and should it be possible for us to be of any assistance in your work I hope you will let me know.

Very cordially,

C. E. Fairbanks
C. E. Fairbanks
Homer, N. Y.

Nov. 11, 1902.

Dear Friend:

I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course of the Extension Department. These names have been placed upon our mailing list, and they will receive the lessons as they are published. Should it be possible for us to offer any suggestions which may aid the women in their work in the grange, or in their homes during the winter, year, and the demand was greater than the quantity printed would make available, I hope that we may be called upon freely. Several granges have expressed a desire to take up this work as a part of the women's program, and we are very glad to know of the possible good it may do.

I am, with best wishes for the new year, very cordially,

C. E. Fairbanks

Mrs. Florence Case
Onondaga Valley, N. Y.

Nov. 10, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Case:

I enjoyed your description of your home in the Beavon, Texas, valley, and am exceedingly glad that it means so much to you, inasmuch as I find so often women living in rural districts who do not appreciate the beauty of their surroundings when all the time so many people are hungry for this very thing, but are deprived of it in the larger communities and perhaps surrounded by the smoke and dirt of manufactures.

I have seen something of the valley which you describe, and can under the rules of our Department. I will agree with you as to its beauty.

Wishing you a great deal of success in your Texas trip, I am Assuring you that it will give me pleasure at any time to hear from you, I am,

Very cordially,

C. E. Fairbanks
Nov. 11, 1902.

Miss Elizabeth Tennon;
Mrs. E. W. Charlton;
Stafford, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Charlton:

I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. These have been placed upon our free mailing list, and they will receive the courses as they are ordered. This is valuable assistance to us, and we are anxious to reach any women who are interested in this work.

In reply to your letter asking in regard to the Women's Reading Course let me say that we issued five lessons last year, and the demand was greater than the quantity printed would supply. We are having the lessons all reprinted, and they will be ready as soon as they are ready, which I think will not be long. Our November work will soon be out, and I hope we shall not be hindered again by a lack of material. The lessons have been called for in larger numbers than we anticipated.

Thanking you for your interest, and assuring you that we shall always be glad to hear from you, I am,

Very cordially,

Mr. E. W. Routzahn;
Bueno, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Routzahn:

Your letter was received. I do not find any single church slide in our collection, nor any pictures. I am sorry I cannot help you in that respect. I am handing your letter to Prof. Craig, as he has more in this line than anyone else here. He is very glad to accommodate people along these lines, and will do the best he can under the rules of our Department.

Wishing you a great deal of success in your Texas trip, I am,

Very sincerely,
Miss Elizabeth Denison
Mrs. J. E. Challice
Stafford, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Challice:

I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Course. These have been placed upon our free mailing list, and they will receive copies as they are ordered. This is valuable assistance to us as we are anxious to reach any women who are interested in this line of work. We shall be glad to hear from you at any time, or from the women whose names you have suggested, and if there are any questions which you wish to ask or if you will suggest other subjects of interest in the course it will be a great help to us.

Again thanking you for your cooperation, I send have advised Saturday, May 9, to mail out to you, the demonstration lessons, as you had a request to be sent to you. If you have not chosen a person to perform, I should have stated that my suggestions of interest would be limited to the demonstration lessons, as the actual work can be done before the Lessons are received. If you have any suggestions as to persons to conduct the Institutes, let me know.

Very cordially until I reach there.

Wishing you a great deal of success in your work, and assuring you of our cordial interest whenever we can cooperate with you,

My dear Mrs. Pouts:

I have your letter asking about the Women's Reading Course. We can for a time send our lessons outside of the state, although they are printed under a state appropriation which necessitates our confining the work largely to the state of New York. However, we shall send these lessons to you as long as we can; and should it be necessary to withhold them on account of too large an application, there will probably be provided a means of supplying them from the printer at a nominal price. I am glad to know of your interest in the course.

If Miss Barrows does it the suggestions can easily be dropped. These are only suggestions. You will think of improvements upon the plan and as circumstances develop we shall make the modifications.

Nov. 11, 1902.

Miss Elizabeth Denison
Mrs. J. E. Challice
Stafford, N. Y.
Miss Elizabeth Dennison  
Silver Creek, N. Y.

My dear Miss Dennison:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Women's Reading Circles. These have been placed upon our free mailing list, and they will receive copies as they are ordered. This is valuable assistance to us as we are anxious to reach any women who are interested in this line of work. We shall be glad to hear from you at any time, or the order of which I made reference to adding Miss Barrows' name to the women's names you have suggested, and if there are any questions which you wish to ask, or if you will suggest other subjects which you have heard mentioned, I should have stated that my suggestions of interest in the course it will be a great help to us.

I must ask you to furnish the demonstration lesson, as I have a good many students who are under my charge, and I hope to make a good showing of them. My letter did not state fully what was in my mind, and if you will let me know, I will do my best to make you as comfortable as possible.

Wishing you a great deal of success in your work, and assuring you of our cordial interest whenever we can cooperate with you, I am very cordially,

[Signature]  

Very cordially,

Concerning Miss Barrows' appointment as to make it embarrassing to withdraw, or if you feel that it is better for her to take the position, this department much prefers to leave it so. We do not wish to force any other conditions, but will, as stated heretofore, have a cordial attitude toward the Institutes, and use our available time and funds in other directions, because the field is large and there is much to be done. However, in case you decide to have the original plan carried out, I offer some suggestions as per your request, and to 'save time' in correspondence, if Miss Barrows does it, the suggestions can easily be dropped. These are only suggestions. You will think of improvements upon the plan and as circumstances develop, we shall have to make modifications.
Your letter of Oct. 30th has remained unanswered because of my continued absence from school for nearly two weeks.

The letter in which I made reference to asking Miss Barrows does not suggest that she be asked to act as directress, as I had supposed that point settled. I should have stated that my suggestion was that you ask her to furnish the demonstration lessons, so that was the work which we had not chosen a person to perform.

However, my letter did not state fully what was in my mind, and it left an opportunity for misunderstanding.

We are very unwilling to place you in an embarrassing position as regards the choice of the person to conduct the Institutes, and if arrangements have gone so far concerning Miss Barrows' appointment as to make it embarrassing to withdraw, or if you feel that it is better for her to take the position, this department much prefers to leave it so.

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1st. All points of importance, especially those involving ex-

perience, shall be subject to the decision of yourself and the Exten-
sion Department, but the directress may feel free to attend to de-
ferring practical suggestions and devices in home keeping. There

tails and act upon them when necessary. Both departments to do all

may be one stereopticon lecture treating either of life inside the

in their power to arouse an interest, offer suggestions for the

of good of the Institute and maintain a frank, businesslike attitude

ession may be provided wherever possible, upon topics pertaining

which shall give expression to criticism when needed. Correspon-

ence and conferences whenever possible should be had immediately

had for the children giving experiments and talks to better prepare

for these meetings. It is very desirable that you bring to bear

them for home makers. A conference for teachers and parents should

all of your influence to arouse interest and use your good judgment

and experience in forming plans. I am willing to do any of this

under your direction, and otherwise to act on my own judgment and

acquaintance at once for the same purpose.

2nd. I would suggest that a general circular letter be prepar-
ed at once, setting forth the object of the Institute, plan for

Tuesday A. M. carrying it on, and inviting the interest and co-operation of the

granges, farmers' clubs, and individuals within a reasonable distance

from the places of meeting. This circular may also be used with

other material in the newspapers near the place of meeting. The

expense of printing another circular giving special notice of an

Institute will probably have to be met in each case by local author-

sities. I am wondering if it would not be desirable to visit each

place in order to meet persons to be interested and arrange details.

3rd. Program—Wherever possible, we shall want you to be pres-

ent at the meetings and give an address, also to suggest any whom

you wish placed upon the program.
4th. There may be two demonstration lessons each day. These are subject to change according to your convenience and to the opportunities offered. You may be interested in the lessons and devices in home keeping. There may be one lecture treating either of life inside the house, or the outside decoration of grounds, or both. Another evening session may be provided whenever possible, upon topics pertaining to home life. For the sessions of the Institute care should be taken if the selection does not suit you or in your department, you should select something like the heading on the accompanying sheet. The usual sources of information are the local farm bulletins and the usual state Agent, probably may be met here or in your department.

There may also be informal and incidental exercises during the day offering practical suggestions and devices in home keeping. There may be one lecture treating either of life inside the house, or the outside decoration of grounds, or both. Another evening session may be provided whenever possible, upon topics pertaining to home life. For the sessions of the Institute care should be taken if the selection does not suit you or in your department, you should select something like the heading on the accompanying sheet. The usual sources of information are the local farm bulletins and the usual state Agent, probably may be met here or in your department.

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5th. Places and times of holding Institutes.

1st and 4th Institute: 2d and 5th Institute.

Monday, R. M. Evening. Wednesday P. M. Evening.

Tuesday, A. M. Tuesday, A. M. Thursday A. M.

R. M. Attention to a notice that I have had from teachers of the Institute. I shall not attend as soon as possible. I am not attending this month, but will do so if I can.

In December, I have the honor to invite all teachers who would be interested in special training at the Institute and will do so if I meet them there. I hope to have some discussion next Saturday at a meeting in East Aurora to consult with a lady from Westfield and one from Lockport who would be interested in special training at the Institute.

I shall not attend as soon as possible. I am not attending this month, but will do so if I can.
These are subject to change according to your convenience and
local conditions. I have not your letter at hand and do not know
what you decided about an Institute at Fayetteville.

It would be desirable to have special stationery, and I would
suggest something like the heading of the accompanying sheet. The
expense of the stationery may be met here or in your department,
but as the state seal is used and the usual state heading, probably
it would be best to have you secure it. However, we can do so, if
not convenient for you.

I shall have opportunity next Saturday at a meeting in East
Aurora to consult with a lady from Westfield and one from Lockport
who would be leading spirits within the village, and will do so if
I know by that time what the decision is and how I am to proceed.

It would be necessary to advise me before leaving here Friday P. M.,
or write me East Aurora, care Mrs. George Bouliston.

Your request that I advise you as to the Teachers' Institutes,
and whether I am a farmer's wife?

I shall give attention to as soon as I can learn about it. I am
not attending any this month, but am to go the first and third week
in December. I wish the Home Institutes could be held so as to
utilize the stereopticon used at Teachers' Institutes.

Very truly,

[Signature]
Nov. 12, 1902.

My dear Miss Ryan:-

I am interested in the letter re Nov. 12, 1902.

This morning regarding the Kentucky Fart on my new school settled at
Mrs. Frank Van Kennen and Miss Robert left on my new school settled at
Plum Brook, Y., Y., was not able to tell you. I have been away for nearly
two weeks and I fear that regarding the writing you have not been able to reply promptly.

I am placing your name upon our mailing list. Will you, after
two weeks, and I fear that regarding the writing you have not been able to reply promptly.

housekeepers. Yet it is not the amount of work that makes their
life hard, but the lack of time to read, rest and seek society. Among those who will inspire and encourage all your efforts.

I am placing your name upon our mailing list. Will you, after
their work of housework.

reading some of the lessons, write me in regard to the point mention-
ed? First, in your letter you say, 'no one but a farmer's wife
could write a practical lesson, etc.' Will you please tell me

whether you think as the editor and writer of some of these lessons
I have ever lived upon a farm, and whether I am a farmer's wife?

Do not be afraid of offending me if you make me say, 'Farmers' Wives'
meantime should any points in regard to the lessons be your own the
work come up about which you would like to write me. Please tell me
they could do so as it will afford me a great deal of pleasure to hear from
you, and to know of the problems in your own work that you will be

interested in the farmers' schools, or in your own work. Please tell me

whether you think as the editor and writer of some of these lessons

I have ever lived upon a farm, and whether I am a farmer's wife?

I am placing your name upon our mailing list. I am therefore placing your
name upon the mailing list.

Wishing you success in your studies, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Miss Emily B. Gilbert
100 W. 34th St.
N. Y. City.

Reading Course I have been asked by the Professor of Agriculture to inform you that the following subjects have been covered.

1. The geography of the United States
2. The geography of the world
3. The physical geography
4. The economic geography
5. The political geography
6. The social geography
7. The industrial geography
8. The agricultural geography
9. The commercial geography
10. The military geography

Very cordially yours,

Miss Emily B. Gilbert

Wishing you success in your studies, I am,

Very cordially,

Emily B. Gilbert

Very sincerely,

We are working, could we not later finish the library feature?
in whatever we may be able to accomplish toward the good of humanity.

Mr. Wilhelm Miller's state in the future? I have intended to talk
Ithaca, N. Y.

Miss Margaret J. Ryan

Miss Edith V. Gilbert

Nov. 12, 1902.

Dear Miss Gilbert:

I am sending you some work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course in reply to your recent request addressed to the

Mr. E. T. Routsman,

Beaumont, Texas.

College of Agriculture. This is not of the technical nature which you may desire in your studies, but you may be interested in what we are doing for the farmers' wives. I imagine that you will be interested in the Nature Study work, and am therefore placing your name upon the mailing list.

Wishing you success in your studies, I am, very cordially,

Very sincerely,

Therma van Loochel
November 12, 1902.

Mr. Wilhelm Miller, Ithaca, N. Y.

I have been meaning to talk to you about this when I might be near Albany, but have not been there but once this fall, and then I was hurried. I am going to Warrensburg in December, possibly may have a chance then to stop. We have not bought my winter hat yet because I am waiting to buy it. I am interested in the letter received from you this morning regarding the March number of "Country Life." I do not know of any pictures which I can furnish you unless it were something along the line of rural schools. I am about to commence work on an Adirondack pair. I wrote you a while ago, with an idea to securing illustrations for a lesson to go into the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, urging them to offer something to these clubs for this purpose. If you will send something for their country school. Whether I could secure anything which would be of value in "Country Life" I do not know, but I am sure would be willing to see what could be done, providing you wanted it. It is much easier to get pictures of rural schools in a dilapidated state than those showing improvements. Do you wish anything written in connection with this subject? Should anything occur to me along the other lines, I should be glad to advise you. Doubtless knew the drawbacks to farming communities toward establishing anything expensive. Would it be possible for you to furnish from the State library a traveling library something like the following?

One book on each of the following subjects as will send:

Mr. F. T. Routzahn
Beaumont, Texas.

on general topics—like Mrs. Richards' "Cost of Living."" added to

Dear Mr. Routzahn:

Professor Craig informs me that he has nothing

In other words, I would suggest a library of twelve or

which he thinks would be of assistance to you in your work before,

fifteen books which they can have by paying a transportation, or by

the Texas Federation. It seems that the slides which he has are

paying the transportation and a fee of perhaps a dollar. What we

more in illustration of his lectures along agricultural lines, and

are offering cannot do more than prove suggestive, and if women are

while he is interested and has paid much attention to the landscape

gardening, he has no slides prepared which would aid you. I am

can get them to do some home reading aside from short lessons.

If this work could be started mildly this winter in the clubs which

very sincerely,

we are organizing, could we not later embrace the library feature
in whatever we may be able to accomplish—toward a systematized
women's work in the state in the future? I have intended to talk
with you about this when I might be near Albany, but have not been
there but once this fall, and then I was hurried.—I am to go to
Warrensburg in December and possibly may have a chance then to stop.

Nov. 13, 1902.

Mr. Melvill Dewey.

1555 Madison Ave.,

Albany, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Dewey:—I am exceedingly sorry to have delayed replying
I am writing in regard to the books because we would like to
offer something to these clubs for this winter's work.

There are being organized reading clubs within
the granges and outside among rural women who wish to pursue some
special work in home economics. We have arranged to grant them a
charter and to furnish our lessons to them with whatever helps they
may desire which will be within our reach. In order to have this
work more complete, and as broad as possible, I feel that it is
wise to supply them with books of reference and for general reading,
not only along economic lines, but a few for general reading. You
doubtless know the drawback in farming communities toward establish-
ing anything expensive. Would it be possible for you to furnish
from the State Library a traveling library something like the fol-
lowing? One book on each of the following subjects we will send
Sanitation, Foods, Personal hygiene, and perhaps two or three-
on general topics—like Mrs. Richards' "Cost of Living." Added to
to these shall be one or two books of fiction, poetry, biography and
history. In other words, I would suggest a library of twelve or
fifteen books which they can have by paying a transportation, or by
paying the transportation and a fee of perhaps a dollar. What we
are offering cannot do more than prove suggestive, and if women are
energetic enough to organize a club in the country, I believe we

If this work could be started mildly this winter in the clubs which
we are organizing, could we not later embrace the library feature
in whatever we may be able to accomplish toward a systematized women's work in the state in the future? I have intended to talk with you about this when I might be near Albany, but have not been there but once this fall, and then I was hurried. Now I am to go to Warrensburg in December and possibly may have a chance then to stop.

Mr. I have not bought my winter hat yet because I am waiting to buy it Agricultural College, Mich., in Albany, when I shall expect to put it on and have a ride after My dear Mr. Taft:

an Adirondack pair.

I am exceedingly sorry to have delayed answering the your letter so long. I have been in different parts of the state for the last two weeks and my correspondence has suffered thereby and I am expected to make something to these clubs for this winter's work. I thank you for any suggestions you may be able to make on and while I should have acknowledged the letter as soon as received, this line—for you know conditions well—I am, I have been unable to give a definite idea of when I can go to Michi-

Very sincerely, however, I am unwilling to delay a positive answer any longer, and will ask you to arrange for my work in February as in-

Nov. 13, 1902.

dicated in your latter, sometime after the 8th of the month. We are arranging a series of Home Institutes in connection with the Bureau of Farmers' Institutes, and I had hoped those dates would be fixed before this time. I am very glad to receive your letter stating that your Grange may take up the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. You may not wish to follow our outlines altogether, but we will send you, as soon as possible, some directions and an outline of a pro-

gram which may possibly be of use to you. You can discard what in not of practical value, and perhaps add subjects more suited to your needs. Sections. First, Reading on the Farm. Second, Young People. Let us know at any time when we may add to the interest of your work. Should there be farmers' wives in your acquaintance who members of the Grange whom you think would like to receive the at a subject to special lessons, we shall be glad to add their names. lessons you may make. Wishing you a very prosperous year, I am so far as I am able.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,
My dear Mrs. Taft:—

I am placing your name upon our free mailing list.

May 14, 1902.

My dear Mr. Taft:—

Agricultural College, Mich., will find the lessons of interest, and of practical value. This work belongs to the Extension Department, under an appropriation made by the state, and is carried on at Cornell University. This makes it possible not to charge a fee, and we are glad to have the lessons for the last two weeks and my correspondence has suffered thereby, reach all who may be interested. We have not a large number from and while I should have acknowledged the letter as soon as received, I have been unable to give a definite idea of when I can go to Michigan to have this work in the way you kindly send us the names of an opportunity for your interest, I am longer, and will ask you to arrange for my work in February as indicated in your letter, sometime after the 8th of the month. We are arranging a series of Home Institutes in connection with the Bureau of Farmers' Institutes, and I had hoped those dates would be fixed before this time. However, I will risk the appointment for February, and as soon as you have determined the exact time may I ask you to notify me in order that I may arrange other work accordingly. For the women's sections I will suggest as subjects: First, Saving Strength in Housework; Second, Relation of the Farm Woman to the Outside World. The mailing list, and they will receive the lessons for the general sections. First, Reading on the Farm; Second, Young People on the Farm and the Rural Schools for their assistance. Should you wish to suggest any special line that you would like to have me talk upon, I shall be pleased to do so if it is a subject I can work up, and I shall appreciate any suggestions you may make. I want to give what will be of most benefit to the women so far as I am able.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. E. W. B. Rauch
Silver Creek, N. Y.
Nov. 14, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Keach:

Mrs. H. C. Major
Wading River, L. I.

Thank you for the fine list of names you have placed upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Reading Course. These names will be placed upon our mailing list for the Women's Reading Course. I hope that you will find the lessons of interest and of practical value. This work belongs to the Extension Department, under appropriation made by the state, and is carried on at Cornell University. This makes it possible not to charge a fee, and we are glad to have the lessons reach all who may be interested. If we have not a large number from Long Island on our list, and if you know of women who would like to have this work, will you kindly send us the names? An opportunity to thank you for your interest, I am,

Wishing you all a very cordially yours,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

My dear Mr. Traver:

Mr. Charles F. Traver
Pleasant Valley, N. Y.

Professor Craig has handed me your letter, and I have sent you some announcements under separate cover. If you will send the names of the women of your grange, we shall be glad to place them upon our mailing list, and they will receive the lessons as they are published. If they think best to organize a Reading Club I think we shall be able to render them assistance. We greatly appreciate your interest in our work, and hope that your stay at Cornell University has proven valuable to you since you have undertaken practical work at home.

Wishing you success, I am,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Silver Creek, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Keach:

I want to thank you for the fine list of names which you have sent me for the Women's Reading Course. These names will be placed upon our mailing list, and the lessons will be sent as they are published.

I shall be glad to send you from time to time anything which I may think of which will help you in your program, but I wish you to know that only within the state, we are glad to send you copies of the Reading Course until such a time that the demand from outside the state interferes with our own state work. Should it be necessary to refuse these applications, there will doubtless be provided a way to secure the lessons direct from the printer, at a nominal price.

Wishing you all a pleasant season in your work, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mrs. Rebecca Yost
Clinton, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Yost:

I have your letter in regard to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. While the work is under state appropriation, and in the main circulated only within the state, we are glad to

[Signature]
Mrs. W. V. Bowman
Mrs. F. S. Falconer

My dear Mrs. Bowman:

I have received your request for the Farmers' Reading Course and am placing your name upon the mailing list. This course is provided under a state appropriation made for extension in agriculture in New York State. It is therefore necessary for us to largely limit our list to persons living within the State. We have not been obliged in the Women's Reading Course to limit it to our own state, as the demand for outside is not large. We may be obliged later to do so, and I am probably some means may be provided for those who are interested in the course to receive the lessons from the printer, paying him a nominal sum. We have no arrangement for mailing the lessons.

Very cordially,

Rexford E. Dawley
Fayetteville, N. Y.
Miss C. R. Morse
Springfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Morse:—

Mr. O. J. Foster:— Your name has been placed upon the mailing list.

I merely put the circular into your letter thinking you might be

Dear Mr. Foster:—

Interested in some of the work we are doing in the state. This

Mrs. Comstock tells me that you have supplied her
course is provided by state appropriation, and we make no effort to
with some valuable diagrams for illustration. I should like to
send it outside of the state. However, we are glad to send to
have some for my own work. In general, it is as follows:
the few who have asked for it until it becomes necessary to restrict
the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course for which illustra-
our mailing list on account of the demand within the state.
courses are needed pertaining to household plans, both in the kitchen
You are I hope that you will find some interest in the course, I am,
and out. These should illustrate some principle in housework, or

Very sincerely,

Mrs. J. D. Paddock
Hooeick Falls, N. Y.

Mrs. Paddock:—

My dear Mrs. Paddock:—

Besides these I am glad to get any good
from the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course are free of charge, as
play, or in positions which illustrate plans
and by are provided in the Extension Department of Cornell University
are attractive.

under a state appropriation provided for instruction in home topics
if you will send me some pictures of rural school houses, where
things are badly dilapidated, or are unusually well cared for, ready
one or two other circumstances.
I want to assure you that the lessons sent
Besides these I am glad to get any good
from the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course are free of charge, as
play, or in positions which illustrate plans

Very sincerely,

In reply to your communication I send
the circulars of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course and have placed
your name upon the mailing list to receive the lessons as they are
published. I should have done this before. These circulars will
not appeal to you perhaps, but it will give you a little idea of
what we are doing.

Wishing you pleasure in pursuing the work and success in interest-
eating any when you may like to tell about it, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Nov. 17, 1902.
Nov. 20, 1902.
Nov. 28, 1902.
Nov. 20, 1902.

Mrs. Susie M. Howe
Corinth, N. Y.

My dear Miss Case:—

Mrs. O. J. Foster:—
Lafayette, Indiana.

I am glad to know that you have received the pictures. The other hill was handed in regard to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I am sorry that your first letter did not receive the attention which it merited. I do not know where the difficulty was, but possibly I have overlooked it in my correspondence. We shall be very glad to have you and the other members of your club as a part of our Reading Course.

The other members of your club as a part of our Reading Course are needed pertaining to household plans, both in the kitchen and out. These should illustrate some principle in housework, or be suggestive of conditions which are very unfavorable, or the reverse. I also desire pictures of rural school houses, where things are badly dilapidated, or are unusually well cared for. Besides these I am glad to get any good pictures of children at play, or in positions which illustrate phases of childhood which are attractive. If you will send me some pictures to look over, with bill for them, I will select what I can use.

Onondaga Valley, N. Y.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter, I am,

My dear Miss Case:—

Very truly,

In reply to your recent communication I send the circulars of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and have placed your name upon the mailing list to receive the lessons as they are published. I should have done this before. These circulars will not appeal to you perhaps, but it will give you a little idea of what we are doing.

Wishing you pleasure in pursuing the work and success in interesting any whom you may like to tell about it, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Deusen.
Mrs. Susie K. Howe
Corinth, N. Y.

My dear Miss Gastmann:

My dear Mrs. Howe:

I am glad to know that you have received

I am glad that you have written me again in re-

check for two of the pictures. The other hill was handed in

gard to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I am sorry that your

time ago, and I think it will not be very long before you re-

first letter did not receive the attention which it merited. I do

I save the money for it. Should it go on for any length of time

not know where the difficulty was, but possibly I have overlooked

please let me know, and I will hurry it up, and if you write me

in my correspondence. We shall be very glad to have you and

work, tell me whether it is in the Reading Course, hill or the

the other members of your club as a part of the Reading Course.

Stephens' Publishing Co., hill that is not satisfactory, has been able

You may not wish to follow our outlines altogether, but possibly

or I will be in some time if you send me the drapery or the

we can be of some aid to you in whatever you wish to take up.

Figa in a couple of weeks. In fact, you can take a month if you

Write me whenever we may add to the interest of your work.

Wish. There is no place for it yet, but I like to have those things

I am putting your name upon the mailing list, and send you

on hand, in order not to have to hurry you too much when I am ready

one or two other circulars.

for something. She is pretty sure to get her money's worth.

Very cordially.

My brother and his wife are visiting us. This is a very great

pleasure to us, and I hope it will do them good to have

home and have a change. The weather is especially favoring us.

Miss Florence Oasea great success, I am,

Onondaga Valley, N. Y.

Very cordially,

My dear Miss Case:

In reply to your recent communication I send

the circulars of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and have placed

your name upon the mailing list to receive the lessons as they are

published. I should have done this before. These circulars will

not appeal to you perhaps, but it will give you a little idea of

what we are doing.

Wishing you pleasure in pursuing the work and success in inter-
esting any when you may like to tell about it, I am,

Very cordially,
My dear Miss Gastmann:

The other bill was handed in sometime ago, and I think it will not be very long before you receive the money for it. Should it go on for any length of time I please let me know, and I will hurry it up, and if you write me about it, tell me whether it is the Reading Course bill or the Stephens' Publishing Co. bill that is not settled.

I will be in ample time if you send me the drawing of the pig in a couple of weeks. In fact, you can take a month if you wish. There is no place for it yet, but I like to have these things on hand in order not to have to hurry you too much when I am ready for something. she is pretty sure to get her money's worth.

I am glad to know that you have received my check for two of the pictures. My brother and his wife are visiting us. This is a very great pleasure to us, and I hope it will do them good to get away from home and have a change. The weather is especially favoring us.

Wishing you great success, I am to some one who wants a housekeeper, who will devote her time to his interests. I am very pleased to know that you are in training. Personally I believe it is a very good idea in new training the other one to split the kindling, but it may not do any harm for you to know how.
Nov. 24, 1902.

Mrs. F. W. Gould
Lanesboro, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Gould:

I am advised by the Chautauqua office that you
Miss Sadie F. Grant,
Chautauqua, N. Y.

I am sending you these lessons for the Housewives' Reading Course.

My dear Miss Grant:

I sent you the last three last summer with a letter which perhaps
you did not receive. Our Nos. 4, 5 & 6 can be sent you in a few
weeks. I have your letter in regard to Mrs. Gould,

I wrote her last summer, and sent her our first three leaflets.

I explained to her at the time that our work was being revised and
the printer promised that he would reprint them in one month, but until
reprinted, making it quite impossible to supply members with the
last three of the course until fall. We have not yet been able
to send to our own members these lessons, but the printer promises
we shall have them in a few days. Thinking she might not
have received the first three I am sending them today, and writing
her again. I am also sending a lot of other stuff which we have
sent her before.

I am glad to know that you are having an experiment station
you are so much interested in what we continue to do out of our
Household Economics, and hope you will give us the benefit of
your experience. There is no better way to learn than by trying,
unfortunately some good work and no doubt you will commend yourself to some one who wants a house-
manager, who will devote herself entirely to his interests. I am
pleased to know that you are in training. Personally I believe
the institution which you spoke of will probably occur in Feb.
any harm for you to know now.

Should I come to Chautauqua I shall surely come to see you.

Very cordially,

Mabel Var Van Buren
Mrs. F. W. Gould
Lansing, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Gould:

My dear Mrs. Service,

I am advised by the Chautauqua office that you have not received the lessons for the Reading Course. I write you this last time last summer with a letter which perhaps you did not receive. Our Nos. 4, 5 & 6 we can send you in a few days, as the printer's errors are at last cleared. We supply the lessons and you have been well in time to the work and made in the largest possible number of these lessons. I am not going to get our new lessons. I send you today Nos. 1, 2 & 3 and some other lessons of ours which perhaps you will enjoy having.

The two days' sessions are held in the American Institute Hall, 33rd Street, and two days' sessions by Miss Barrows. If this will be a help to you, I am sorry to know that your school which you are so much interested in must be discontinued on account of other lack of funds. I have much work to do which makes it very unfortunate not to continue a good work. I have thought of your condition and thought you might suggest something which would be of real value to you in getting settled in a work department. In addition to this we will bear all other expenses which you or your school would bear in the work department or others.

The Institutes of which I spoke will probably occur in February, and probably Miss Barrows will be the demonstrator. We shall have only four True Institutes.

I will keep your letter in mind, and if there is any chance for you will let you know. I am sorry I cannot tell you anything definite now, but I am not sure what I know very much of positions which will satisfy your wishes.

Very truly,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Rensselaer
Nov. 28, 1902.

Mr. F. F. Dawley
Fayetteville, N. Y.

Mr. Fe yu uay.-.

My dear Mrs. Scriber:

Your letter addressed to the College has been referred to me to day. I am very much pleased to know that the you
say that the suggestions regarding working up the Institutes was made because this type of meeting is new and will probably need
much more pushing than a regularly established Institution. The Whate
ever expense is incurred in this respect, I am authorized to say names
will be borne by this department. If two days' sessions are held
in a place, and we omit the forenoon work, it gives opportunity for
but two demonstration lessons by Miss Barrows. If this will be
satisfactory to her it is perhaps the best plan, as of course it is
difficult for women to get out in the forenoon at good out of it.

If you really prefer to have Fayetteville dropped, we of course
shall not urge it. Ithaca, however, we do not like to drop, nor
the time seems ripe for it here and we can prepare for this one and
carry it on with much less expense than the others.

The expense attending my own work will of course be borne by
this department. In addition to this we will bear all other ex-

In reply to your inquiry regarding the photographs

ence except that connected with the demonstrator, her salary, ex-

penses and equipment, and speakers from your department, or others

of which you may wish to have called upon, also that which belongs to

them for which they are to be used. We like to make our work

So far as Miss Barrows' equipment is concerned, I think she
may find it desirable to carry many of her own utensils with her

writing that I cannot send you what you desire, I am,
in order to have just what she desired.

Very truly,
Miss Bessie Livingstone
Ottawa, Canada.

Mr. Mabel Scriber
Montreal, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Scriber:--

I am very much pleased to know that you have been referred to me to "happily serve" as a part of our Reading Council. You have a fine name, and I hope it will mean all that it suggests. It is such a fortunate thing when people can make work a source of happiness and do away with long faces. I shall feel an unusual interest in this club, and hope you will write me often about it, and let me do anything that I can for your interests, and add to the interest of the "seven." The first thing to do is to send us the names of your members in order that we may place them upon the mailing list. I am sending you today some suggestions for the first lesson with a copy of that lesson. Other work will follow later.

Mr. You may not feel to follow this closely, and you can act your own pleasure in this respect, in order to get the most good out of it.

Dear Mr. Grant:--

Very cordially,

pictures, and for your attention to the subjects which I have sug-

Mr. Walton Foston rates cover I send you a few of our household
Washington, D. C.
leaflets, which will give you a little understanding of what I need
My dear Sir:--
for them. I realize that it is so difficult to get much pictures.

In reply to your inquiry regarding the photographs
The child pictures in order to fit into my work should perhaps be
used in illustrating the Reading Lessons for Farmers' Wives, let me
children playing at housekeeping, as with the playground, pools,
say that it would be impossible for us to sell the originals. Wheth-
dressing up in long clothes, etc.

er we could help you in any way would depend altogether upon the

Hoping that you may find something of interest in these lines,
purpose for which they are to be used. We like to make our work
I am,

Regretting that I cannot send you what you desire, I am,

Very truly,

Nov. 26, 1902.
Nov. 28, 1902.

Miss Business Livingston
Ottawa, Canada.

Mrs. B. W. Germain
My dear Miss Livingston:

Dear Mrs. Germain:

Your letter addressed to the college has been referred to me to answer. I am sorry I cannot report to you

a well-equipped school of Domestic Science at Cornell University.

It is what we should have by all means, and while some have agitated

for the question it is still not provided. Our Farmers' Wives' Reading

Courses come the nearest to it of anything that is had here, but

for as to send in large numbers outside the state. Possibly

there are no lectures on the subject. I have recently dictated

a letter to you in regard to our course. I will also have sent

ona copies of the work in order that I can get when you desire from our printer, Mr. W. E. Humphrey,

a letter to you in regard to our course. I will send the

Paterson, N. Y. I will send you copies of the work in order that

to you our work in Nature Study.

Very cordially,

Mr. C. L. Foster
428 N. Grant St.
Lafayette, Ind.

Mr. Grant:

I want to thank you for your letter regarding

pictures, and for your attention to the subjects which I have sug-

gested. Under separate cover I send you a few of our household

leaflets, which will give you a little understanding of what I need

for them. I realize that it is so difficult to get such pictures.
The child pictures in order to fit into my work should pertain to

children playing at housekeeping, as with the playhouse, dolls,
dressing up in long clothes, etc.

Hoping that you may find something of interest in these lines,

I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]
Mr. W. F. Humphrey
Mrs. B. W. Corrnan
1221 Utah Place
Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Harriett F. Harrington
Webster, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Corrnan:

There seems to be some misunderstanding between you and Mrs. W. F. Humphrey, who are mutually interested as to the use of the economic division of the state. These representatives are interested in the representatives of the state, and I am unable to assist you in your inquiries as to the use of the state. Possibly you can get what you desire from our printers, Mr. W. F. Humphrey, Geneva, N. Y. I will send you samples of the work in order that you may see what it is. We have nothing to do of importance to the economic division of the state. I am unable to assist you in any way. I hope you will be able to write me soon, as I am unable to assist you in any way. I hope you will be able to write me soon.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Patten, Esq.
Nov. 28, 1902.

Mr. W. E. Humphrey
Geneva, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

There seems to be some misunderstanding between Mrs. Harvillet F. Harrington
Westchester, N. Y., City. 

Dear Mrs. Harrington:

I have received the quiz with answers to questions upon Practical Housekeeping, and am pleased with your answers and interested in what you have said.

I send you some circulars which may suggest something for your work in the Mother's Meetings. Many Mother's Meetings have taken up these lessons for reading in and out of the sessions of the meeting, and the subjects thus treated have been discussed at the meetings. Should you wish to send me a list of your members I shall be glad to place their names upon the mailing list, and they will receive each lesson as it is published. New members, of course, begin with last year's work.

Please write me at any time that we can be of any service to you.

Very cordially,

[signature]
Nov. 28, 1902.

Mr. W. P. Humphrey
Geneva, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

There seems to be some misunderstanding between us in regard to the facsimile. Upon looking over Lesson No. 6—Practical Housekeeping, I find it has been used at the foot of page 8 of the lower or Practical Housekeeping, and it does not seem appropriate to me to use it in place of printing my name. I speak of this in order to save any misunderstanding for future work. Possibly you will find some explanation for the use of this, which I have lost sight of. It is my own handwriting, so it may be of use to you sometime. We are greatly obliged to you for the use of this article, and when it is received from the printer I will place the members of the State Association in our own hands. I am about to write an article on playhouses for the Children's Home in which I could have along the margin of the page, some pictures of farmers and tools which they naturally use—some of which Ernest Thompson Seton introduces in his drawings. These, of course, are simply line drawings without much shading, and are very simple. I leave this to your own judgment, and if I could have them between the middle and 20th of December, I should like them. Of course the drawings would be small and not very elaborate plans. Hoping you are well, I am, very sincerely, your friend.

He proposes to have them held the last of February, and thinks it necessary to limit the number to five. Miss Barrows will be the demonstrator. This seems quite appropriate, since she is so well qualified and knows how to meet the farming community.

Very cordially.

Dec. 4, 1902.

My dear Miss Geistman:-

I am about to write an article on playhouses in which I could have along the margin of the page, some pictures of farmers and tools which they naturally use—some of which Ernest Thompson Seton introduces in his drawings. These, of course, are simply line drawings without much shading, and are very simple. I leave this to your own judgment, and if I could have them between the middle and 20th of December, I should like them. Of course the drawings would be small and not very elaborate plans. Hoping you are well, I am, very sincerely, your friend.

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Very cordially.
My dear Mrs. Shaler:

My dear Mrs. Griswold:

My dear Mrs. Shaler:

I am sending to Mrs. Nathan sixty copies of the lesson on Practical Housekeeping, and hope it will reach her in time for the meeting Dec. 6th. As our number of educated women is limited, I send you proof sheets of Lesson No. 7, which will be distributed this month. You will see some things of interest in it written why yourself. I had to cut down two or three pages after it had been set up when we are making the lessons on only eight pages long, and for that reason was obliged to close up your paragraphs. As soon as I come across it, I will send you your original copy, as it may be of use to you sometime. We are greatly obliged to you for the use of this article, and when it is received from the printer, I will send you a number of copies. I will place the members of the State Association on our lists as soon as it is received.

The plans for the Home Institutes are progressing. We took some rather heroic measures here, as we felt that if they were con-ducted by someone from out the state, we would rather have our own work which would be managed by this Department. Mr. Dawley, however, upon receiving this information, decided to change his plan, and I shall conduct the Institutes according to the original agreement. We shall hold five, and are corresponding now in regard to plans. He has asked me to keep you informed as to the plans for the meetings. I shall be happy to do this as matters are matured. He proposed to have them held the last of February, and thinks it necessary to limit the number to five. Miss Barrows will be the demonstrator. This seems quite appropriate, since she is so well qualified and knows how to meet the farming community.

Very cordially,
Dec. 6, 1902.

Mr. A. J. Earle
313 Third St.
Troy, N. Y.

Very cordially,

Dec. 6, 1902., 1902.

My dear Mr. Earle,

My dear Mrs. Earle,

My dear Mrs. Gavignol, N. Y.

I am very glad to send you a package of Farm-aiders, as I have a distribution at the convention. I sent you a package of cards, and I am pleased to know that you are organized, and that through you will have been able to obtain a degree of good. You have said that your advantages for education were less of the Moor's than of the Moor's. You are fully enrolled with us, and we have had a great deal of experience in the field. I am sure that you will have many questions, please be free to write.

You have found it no, many things to experience -- have the advantage of going over those who are depending upon theory to an education in house. It is a very good service, and may be suggestive to you.

Very, sincere thanks to you,

Very cordially,

Mrs. L. R. Scriber.

This will give you two copies, providing I am always glad to receive your letters.

Right in supposing that you are Mrs. L. B. Scriber. If I am mistaken, please send me the names of the persons to whom you would like to have the extra leaflet sent. You are at liberty to send me names of any women who are not members of your club. I, too, have a list of the organizations which I am giving to you, which is a blank upon which you may later add your club list, providing you with the work later, if it does not arrive at the time for which it was expected.

Your letters, Ordinarily, it is simply the form to have your affectionately.

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Your letters, Ordinarily, it is simply the form to have your affectionately.

Very cordially,

Mrs. L. B. Scriber.
the names handed in and voted upon.

Wishing you a very pleasant season, I am,

Mrs. A. J. Hermes
Mrs. Ill. Third St.

Very cordially,

Dec. 10, 1902.

Mrs. Mabelle Scriber
My dear Mrs. Lansing,

My dear Mrs. Lansing,

I am very glad to send you a package of Farm-

ers' Wives' Leaflets for distribution at the convention. I sent

a package of cards and they may be distributed to the women.

Mrs. Lansing, however, through you will have obtained to a degree

so that they may send in their names to receive the leaflets direct,

you are duly enrolled with us, and we

if they wish to do so. I appreciate very much your interest in the

shall send you the material as we have it published. In the mean-

course, and we shall at any time be glad to send you any literature

which we have which will be useful.

Wishing you a pleasant time at your meeting.

And if ever you are in the neighborhood I shall be happy to

shall be able to send you in a few days, a printed outline for meet-

ings. It may be suggestive to you.

Unless you advise me to the contrary, I will put your name on

our mailing list as Mrs. Mabelle, and will also put on the name of

Mrs. I. E. Scriber. This will give you two copies, providing I am

right in supposing that you are Mrs. I. E. Scriber. If I am mis-

taken, please send me the name of the person to whom you would like

Your letter is received. It is or
to have the extra leaflet sent. You are at liberty to send me

course wise to take time for the card and card design, as it is a partic-

ular piece of work. As I wrote you yesterday, I have arranged to use

blank upon which you may later send your club list, providing you

the work later, if it does not arrive in time for what we are now

add members to it. You can make any rules which you desire for

taking in new members. Ordinarily it is simply the form to have

Yours affectionately,
the names handed in and voted upon.

Wishing you a very pleasant season, I am,

Mrs. Mabelle Scriber
Lanson, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lanson :—

I am pleased to know that you are organized, and hope before you are through you will have obtained to a degree of the "Happiest Seven." You are duly enrolled with us, and we shall send you the material as we have it published. In the meantime, if you wish to ask us any questions, please be free to write.

I am sending copies of the Women's Reading Course, including the last one, to Mrs. Hill. I am glad to know that you are pleased with the lesson on Practical Housekeeping, and taking a cup of tea with you at your meeting.

I will send you under separate cover several copies, and should you not believe in encountering an organization with too much form, but possibly you will want to have some rules and regulations. I will send you a pamphlet containing some rules formed by an Illinois Club, and perhaps they may suggest some ideas to you. May assured I shall avail myself of it with very much pleasure.

I ask you to return this to me when you are through with it. I shall be able to send you in a few days, a printed outline for meetings. It may be suggestive to you.

Unless you advise me to the contrary, I will put your name on our mailing list as Mrs. Mabelle, and will also put on the name of Mrs. L. E. Scriber. This will give you two copies, providing I am right in supposing that you are Mrs. L. E. Scriber. If I am mistaken, please send me the name of the person to whom you would like your letter sent.

You are at liberty to send me course wise to take time for the cup board design, as it is a particular names of any woman who are not members of your club, I enclose a blank upon which you may later send your club list, providing you the work later, if it does not arrive in time for what we are now preparing.

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Very cordially,

Dec. 12, 1902.

My dear Miss Gastmann :—
the names handed in and voted upon.

Wishing you a very pleasant season, I am,

Mrs. Amos Haight
Canaan Four Corners, N. Y. Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Haight:

I send you under separate cover today twenty
leaflets of Saving Steps together with one or two circulars,

Mrs. Hattie B. Michael please see Kingston, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Michael:

names on our mailing list, and they will
receive the lessons regularly.

I am sending copies of the Women's Reading
Course, including the last one, to Mrs. Hill. I am glad to know
that you are pleased with the lesson on Practical Housekeeping.

I will send you under separate cover several copies, and should you
list at any time wishing I should be glad to send them.

Thank you for your very cordial invitation to stop at Kingston
to visit you. Should the opportunity ever present itself, rest
assured I shall avail myself of it with very much pleasure.

Very cordially,

Dec. 12, 1902.

My dear Miss Gastmann:

Your later letter is received. It is of

course wise to take time for the cupboard design, as it is a partic-

ular piece of work. As I wrote you yesterday, I can arrange to use
the work later, if it does not arrive in time for what we are now
preparing.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours affectionately,

Very cordially,
Mrs. Charlotte R. Stanley

Mrs. Amos Haight
Canaan Four Corners, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Haight:

I have received your cordial letter of the
Mrs. Maria Parlo; during my absence of several days from home.

My dear Mrs. Parlo; unless it concerns with our other plans. Your very cordial letter is received.

Dec. 15, 1902,

Dec. 19, 1902.

I send you under separate cover today twenty
leaflets of Saving Steps together with one or two circulars regarding
the formation of a reading club. On the enclosed blank will you
please send the names of the women who will be the members of this
club. We will enter their names on our mailing list, and they will
money looks very tempting about Christmas time, but I could not
receive the lessons regularly.

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent
me on your last quiz. Should they be duplicated on the club list.
we will see that the names are not repeated, but I would like a full
this state because our funds are secured by state appropriation.
This is our general rule. The special rule for you and others.

I hope you will have a very pleasant winter and find much of
is, I shall make up a package of Nature-Study leaflets this week
interested and profit in these lessons. Let us know, please, at
send to the women whose names you have sent me. With my own work
any time that we can be of service to you in our department.
I have been able to send outside of the state thus far, although we
never advertise to do so, and our mailing list within the state is
growing so large that I fear we shall have to close it up. If our
printer wishes to sell this work he is at liberty to do so. His
addres: Eugenie W. Kirkbride, Geneva, N. Y. Whenever you have
something specific that you want, you have only to send me

Dear Mrs. Ulrich:

I am sending you a few more of the pamphlets
of the last number. If you wish, you may send me names of women
in the state whom you would like to have receive the lessons, and
do I will place them upon the mailing list. I am very glad to send
them to Miss McGinnis, and have placed her name on our list.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,
Dec. 19, 1902.

Mrs. Charlotte R. Stanley
Elmira, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Stanley:

I have received your cordial letter of the

Mrs. Maria Parloa during my absence of several days from home. I assure New York City, a very pleasant thing for me to come to Elmira

My dear Mrs. Parloa: unless it conflicts with one other date

Your very cordial letter is received. Your money looks very tempting about Christmas time, but I could not think of keeping it since I would have to put it into my own pocket as this Department never receives any funds except through the state.

We are not able to send the Nature Study bulletins outside of this state because our funds are secured by state appropriation. This is our general rule. The special rule for you in this case is, I shall make up a package of Nature-Study leaflets this week and send to the women whose names you have sent me. With my own work I have been able to send outside of the state thus far, although we never advertise to do so, and our mailing list within the state is getting so large that I fear we shall have to give it up. If our printer wishes to sell this work he is at liberty to do so. His address is Mr. W. P. Humphrey, Geneva, N. Y. Whenever you have something special like this, that you want, you have only to send me a letter requesting it, and it shall receive attention. Should you think our work worthy of it, you can mention it in your list and see that it is provided by state appropriation for readers within this state. We shall feel ourselves honored if you think best to do so.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Charlotte R. Stanley  
Elmira, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Stanley:

I have received your cordial letter of the 16th which came during my absence of several days from home. I assure you it will be a very pleasant thing for me to come to Elmira for the Institute, and unless it conflicts with one other date which is partially arranged for, and which I have written to determine in regard to, I can do so if Mr. Dawley thinks it best to place me upon the program. I do not know whether I can furnish anything of real value to those who will attend the Institute, but I should be glad to try.

I will make you up a package of the literature of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and assure you that any names which you wish to send me will be gladly received for our mailing list. I appreciate your interest in the course.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Dec. 19, 1902.

Dec. 24, 1902.

Dec. 22, 1902.

[Signature]
Dec. 22, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Sackett:

I send you herewith some suggestions regarding

Mr. F. E. Dawley
Fayetteville, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Dawley:

It is possible that I am delaying arrangements unnecessarily for the Home Institutes in that I thought it necessary to hear from you regarding the unsettled points before going ahead with plans. As the time is fast progressing, I feel that it would be best to get the work under way in order to avoid a rush at the last, and unprepared programs.

Shall I proceed, first, to try to interest persons in the places we have mentioned?

Second, do you still think it best to omit Ithaca from the list? If there are too many Institutes, including Ithaca, we would prefer to have one here and drop another, on account of its saving us some expense, and because we feel we could work up an interest here.

Third, is the arrangement with Miss Barrows such that I am at liberty to write her regarding plans for the Institute? I am sorry to bother you again because of course I know you are busy.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Dec. 24, 1902.

[Signature]
Dec. 24, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Sackett:

I am sending under separate Dec. 26, 1902.

I send you here with some suggestions regarding the Farmers' Club program. Letters have been made for study clubs, as we have 52 Central Ave., several in different parts of the state. Prof. Craig has written you in regard to the men's part of the program.

I have very pleasant recollections of my visit at the Hanover Farmers' Club, and am very glad I had the opportunity of meeting you and making a copy of it for the Farmers' Bulletin or "Home and Flowers." Your point of view pleases me very much. I am very glad that you will find them of interest.

Very sincerely,

Dec. 24, 1902.

Dear, Sirs:

Will you please send me a copy of Bulletin No. 142 containing a copy of your excellent newspaper containing a copy of your excellent newspaper containing a copy of your excellent newspaper containing a copy of your excellent newspaper.

I did not feel well enough to write you before, but I am feeling better now, and if not too much trouble, will you kindly write me what you desire in regard to it, unless you would prefer to leave it as it is.

I am sending you some literature connected with our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, hoping that you will find them of interest.

Happy New Year, I am, Very truly,

Very cordially,
My dear Mrs. Blackburn:

I am sending under separate Dec. 24, 1902, 40.

My dear Mr. Harris:

I was very much interested in your article which you read in the notice that there is in the touch at 52 Central Ave., Dec. 24, 1902.

I send you a short article in regard to the Mene Francis E. Learley will suggest questions which you may want to discuss. I have covered the December number of the Kitchen Mag-

My dear Mrs. Learley, the discussion regarding the Home Institute as it occurred at the Lake Placid have your excellent letter of mine Nov. 18th, and have taken the liberty to make a copy of it for the February number of "Home and Flowers." Your point of view pleases me especially; and I like to bring strong helpful ideas before the women. Your experience in the mountains in connection with the summer hotel is exceedingly interesting to me. I often wish that I had time to devote to just that sort of thing, because I believe women have a large mission in making home-like attractions for those who are out of their own homes, and boarding. It is a graceful art and a high calling to conduct one's own home in a successful manner, but it seems so unreasonable to never think that one should not make it an art to make the home for outsiders quite attractive. This all requires a great deal of good management and skill besides money.

I have received a copy of your excellent newspaper. I did not add your name to your letter because I did not feel at liberty to do so. It is not too late now, and if not too much trouble, will you kindly write me what you desire in regard to it, unless you would prefer to leave it as it is.

I am sending you some literature connected with our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, hoping that you will find them of interest.

Happy New Year.

Very cordially,

Dec. 24, 1902.
My dear Mrs. Blackburn:

I am sending under separate Dec 24, 1902 set of leaflets, and have placed your name upon our mailing list.

My dear Miss Harris:

I was very much interested in your article which you enclosed, and notice that there is the touch of string, novelty and just, let me spirit in it which will imbue much help and money which it is I get very tired of the newspaper suggestions you will find the discussion regarding the Home Institute. It will suggest questions which you may want to discuss. By referring to the December number of the Kitchen Magazine you will find the discussion regarding the Home Institute, as it occurred at the Lake Placid Economic Conference. I want to write you later regarding the Home Institute which we want to hold in your locality, under a state appropriation. However, we occasionally send out something to other states, and we are giving upon the subject Women's Life and Home Workshops. Your articles are setting us thinking and doing. I am, be glad to know which date you prefer, and will hold that one. Wishing you much success, I am,

Very cordially,  

Very truly,  

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensselaer

Dec. 26, 1902.

Mr. G. R. Dean

My dear Ripley: N. Y. 1902

Dear Mr. Dean:

Under separate cover I send you some material that we have been referring to my previous letter you will refer to. I would not be at liberty to dispose of any additional copies of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and wish to thank you for the same. It is a very helpful think to us to have these notices appear because the newspaper certainly goes into the farm home. you to be disposed of as you wish. Anything, too, that you wish. This will require some correction. That you will receipt use I would be glad to send.

Wishing you all the pleasant of the holiday season and a very Happy New year, I am,

Very truly yours,

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensselaer
Dec. 26, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Blackburn:

I am sending under separate cover our full set of leaflets and have placed your name upon our mailing list.

Jayacville, N. Y.

I was very much interested in your article which you enclosed, and I am glad to know that you will be glad to see it in which will prove much helpfulness for your readers.

If you would like to have a conference regarding the matter matters rather than to depend upon correspondence,

Our work is provided for state circulation, and much as it is under a state appropriation. However, we occasionally send out.

Will you kindly advise which day you wish me to be there. My something to other states, and we are glad to know what other women appointments are getting somewhat numerous for January, and I shall be glad to know which date you prefer, and will hold that one.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Very truly,

Very cordially,

Dec. 26, 1902.

Mr. W. Woodward
P. O. Box No. 342

My dear Miss Woodworth:

Under separate cover I send you some material that we have been having printed for the farmers' wives, as you said something about putting these things on file in the library.

I want to send anything that you would like to have there, and will have sent from our office copies of the Nature Study and Farmer's Reading Course to you to be disposed of as you wish. Anything,

Wishing you all the pleasures of the holiday season and a very Happy New year, I am,

Very truly yours,

Very cordially,
Dec. 29, 1902.

Mr. W. E. Rumphrey
Mae. C. E. Wright
Mr. W. H. E. Dawley
Fayetteville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Wright:

Dear Mad Dawley:

I have received your letter regarding the farmers' wives' reading course, and say that I shall be glad to see you in Ithaca, and probably it is better to have a conference regarding the Institute matters rather than to depend upon correspondence.

I will be able to go to Elmira to attend the Institute there, and will speak upon the subject "Woman's Life upon the Farm." any assistance possible, I am, Will you kindly advise which day you wish me to be there. My apointments are getting somewhat numerous for January, and I shall be glad to know which date you prefer, and will hold that one.

Very truly,

Dec. 26, 1902.

Mr. Wallace Fawcett
F. O. Box No. 542
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Fawcett:

If you will refer to my previous letter you will notice that I told you I would not be at liberty to dispose of any photographs used in the lesson Saving Strength, as I am bound not to do so with the arrangement with those who posed. I will get together what photographs I can that were used in the lesson Saving Steps, and will send them to you. This will require some correspondence, and there may be a little delay.

Very truly yours,
Dec. 27, 1902.

Mr. W. E. Humphrey
Mr. Mrs. C. M. Wright
and East Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Humphrey

Dec. 30, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Wright:

I have received your letter regarding the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and answers to the questions in the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, that you can put in through the newspapers. We have no printed answers, but should there be anything which you would like special help upon, will you not write me, and I will be glad to answer your questions. I hope you are finding the work of practical interest to you, and assuring you of our desire to be of any assistance possible, I am, very truly,

Mr. Thomas E. Moury
Hudson, N.Y.

Dec. 27, 1902.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you under separate cover some suggestions for club assistance. It is possible you might be interested in Nature Study, and I wish to thank you for your request for copy in connection with the Farmers' Wives Reading Course to be used in your paper. I send you a brief outline of our work, and if it is what you desire I shall be glad to have it used. We find it a benefit to have the newspapers notice this work, as it brings it to the attention of readers to whom we are glad to send our work.

Very truly,
Mr. W. F. Humphrey  
Mr. Thos. Generva, N. Y.  
Hudson-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.  

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

Jan. 2, 1902.

I send herewith copy for Lesson 3 of the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course. I am late in sending copy, but hope that you can put it through so that we can send it out for the January number.

I am much interested in your letter and in your work I have on hand in connection with the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course. I wish I might be able to send this to you, but fear with all the work I have on hand in connection with this course that it would not be wise to promise regular work. However, I shall keep it in mind and send you something from time to time.

I am sending you under separate cover some suggestions for club sources which I have for enrolling reading, nature and the conditions which are thrown about us which we cannot change. No doubt you will find much hard work in farm life, but after all there is much of pleasure.

I am sending you under separate cover some suggestions for club work. You are at liberty to write me at any time for further assistance. It is possible you might be interested in Nature Study.

Dec. 30, 1902.

Very truly,

Martha Van Rensselaer

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Dec. 30, 1902.

Very truly,

Martha Van Rensselaer
Jan. 2, 1902.

Mr. Thos. E. Mowry
Hudson-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. J. M. Wildman, Mountain View, Oklahoma

I wish I might be able to send this to you, but fear with all the work I have on hand in connection with this course that it would not be wise to promise regular work. However, I must keep it in mind and will send you something from time to time, I expect. I hope that in your change of location you will find very much to interest you. So much depends upon the resources which you have for engaging reading, nature and the conditions which are thrown about in which we cannot change. No doubt you will find much hard work in farm life, but after all there is much of pleasure.

Jan. 2, 1902.

I am sending you under separate cover some suggestions for club work and you are at liberty to write me at any time for further assistance. It is possible you might be interested in Nature Study, and I am sending you some Nature Study leaflets with that in mind. I have been reading your quiz and am very much interested in your work. It is very unfortunate that anyone's health should be ill, but you may be thankful that you have an opportunity to learn to do housework. It is a very unwise thing for a girl to grow up without knowing how. I learned more when my mother was sick, and I had to take some responsibility than I did when she was well and able to go ahead with it herself. Then I waited for her to plan and let me help her work. I am glad your mother has a daughter to do for her when she is not able to work. It will probably be the means of making you a very fine housekeeper. Then there is such a satisfaction in knowing that one is useful and able to make it easier for the mother of the household.

Will you not write me at any time when you feel like it, and if you want to ask any questions, be sure and do so.

Very cordially yours,

[Signature]

Jan. 2, 1902.
Jan. 2, 1902.

Mr. Thos. E. Mowry
Hudson-on-the-Hudson, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Frink, your letter requesting copies of the "Gazette" in connection with the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course each week.

My dear Mrs. Blackwell:
I wish I might be able to send these to you, but fear with all the work I have on hand in connection with this course that it would not be wise to promise regular work. However, I shall keep it in mind and send you something from time to time.

Hoping this will be satisfactory, I am very truly,

Thos. E. Mowry

Miss Eva Bixby
Newfane, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

I have been reading your quiz and am very much interested in your work. It is very unfortunate that anyone's mother should be ill, but you may be thankful that you have an opportunity to learn to do housework. It is very wise for a girl to grow up without knowing how. I learned more when my mother was sick, and I had to take some responsibility than I did when she was well and able to go ahead with it herself. Then I waited for her to plan and let me help her work. I am glad your mother has a daughter to do for her when she is not able to work. It will probably be the means of making you a very fine housekeeper. Then there is such a satisfaction in knowing that one is useful and able to make it easier for the mother of the household.

Will you not write me at any time when you feel like it, and if you want to ask any questions, be sure and do so.

Very cordially yours,

Jan. 2, 1902.
Jan. 2, 1903.

Mrs. Frances O. Blackwell
Schenectady, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Blackwell:

I am glad to receive your letter and to have you speak frankly in regard to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. We have been very careful in regard to the dates for the course in Schenectady, and in reply let me say that I am to be there on the 27th and 28th. If those two dates are not desirable you will arrange to be there on Wednesday the 29th. This date is not favorable. I can see no way to arrange for February. I only hope that you will not let it worry you in the least. I am accustomed to the preparation for many engagements upon the mental attitude. The work is altogether agreeable and honorable, and so great is the necessity for having things not be just as you want them, do not give it a second thought. In this busy world women have so many appointments that audiences are not always to be depended upon. Therefore, if you arrange to have me come at that time, please make it as easy for yourself as possible.

I have been in regard to the standard of education among farmers and farmers' wives. If you are feeling quite well then I shall hope to talk with you about the work.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Susan Blackwell

Jan. 8, 1903,

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giving direction to have- your name taken off the oioilinc list, an i
Jan. 5, 1903.

Mrs. W. E. Osgood

I am sorry we could not have sent you anything enjoyable, but I would like to hear from you again. I have read with much interest your description of the mailing done in your home, and I am glad to know that you will write things that are not cut. I am glad to receive your letter and to have you speak frankly in regard to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. We always make a claim to perfection in this work, but it has met with a very cordial response thus far; and yours is the first letter of its kind.

We do not feel like making any radical changes at once. However, we appreciate suggestions, and will keep in mind what you have said. I think it would be wise for me to be a little simpler in my expression, since you have misinterpreted it in regard to dish washing three times a day. The idea is, that while this work must be done, much depends upon the mental attitude. The work is altogether dignified and honorable, and so great is the necessity for having it done that it is very unwise to have any but a cheerful feeling about it. We therefore urge an enjoyment of things outside of the routine of work, to elevate the mind and make life pleasurable.

All you say in regard to the standard of education among farmers and their families is true. We are not missionaries and do not extend our work in that spirit. Among our thirty thousand readers in the States, we have a great many who are struggling for greater light on the scientific subjects. In reply to your request that we give you a list of prices for the books mentioned in the lesson on sanitation, this worry you, because our work is prospering under its present methods, and there is a great demand for what we are giving. Therefore those who do not want it have only to refuse to read. I am very cordially,

Jan, 5, 1903.
Mrs. Hattie May Benjamin
Unadilla, N. Y.

while I am sorry we could not have sent you anything enjoyable, it
is not so disappointing as it would be were it not that you are the
first of our thirteen thousand women to ask that this be done. Our
work among farmers and their families is exceedingly pleasant just
you to write this out for us and I shall be pleased to do the best I
because they are as a class intelligent, thoughtful people who are
of women who are desiring this same information, who are seeking
advancement. You may have the misfortune to receive one
more lesson, because it is in press and will be mailed from the
printing office. You have only to throw it in the fire. It may
dining room furnishing of yours which attracts me
be dry enough to burn.

I derive one note of satisfaction from your letter, inasmuch
as you say that all of the things contained in the lessons have been
taught you from your youth up. This convinces me that they are
worth teaching other women who have not had the same good
Mrs. Wm. H. Whitney
fortune you have. N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Whitney:

I am sending you a few
bulletins which may help you in your garden and orchard work.

I hope they may be of real value.

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jellies. We are thinking of looking up the
question of canning fruits and sand out something, as there does
My dear Mrs. Fuller:

not seem to be very much printed. I hope I may find something to
send you however, and I am sorry I haven't it at present.

In reply to your request that we give you a
list of prices for the books mentioned in the lesson on Sanitation,
Wishing you success in your work, I am,
I send you a cutting from the Kitchen Magazine which I think gives
all of these books, as well as some others besides. I hope this
may prove to be just what you desire.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Hattie May Benjamin
Unadilla, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Benjamin:—

I have read with much interest your descriptive account of the dining room in your home. It is exceedingly good of you to write this out for us, and I shall use it for the benefit of women who are desiring to get this same information. What a blessing it is that some people can take pleasure in glorifying the common things of life. There is an indication of good taste in this dining room furniture of yours which attracts me.

I am afraid that if I were to call them to send you an extra copy they would forget it. I therefore wish you would send me another name. Mrs. T. A. Holcomb would have one copy, and if these are sent your husband's initials you might give me your own initials besides, and both would get on the mailing list. Women. I will leave it entirely in your hands in regard to the making and keeping of jellies, and that we shall publish a lesson upon the canning of fruits before very long.

In reply to your letter I am sending you a few bulletins which may help you in your garden and orchard work. I hope they may be of real value.

I do not know how to advise you in regard to the use of freezing glass in the making of jellies. We are thinking of looking up the question of canning fruits and send out something as there does not seem to be very much printed. I hope I may find something to send you however. I am sorry I haven't it at present.

Wishing you success in your work. I am very cordially,

Mrs. Wm. H. Whitney
Maltrata, Mexico.

Dear Mrs. Whitney:—

In reply to your letter I am sending you a few bulletins which may help you in your garden and orchard work. I hope they may be of real value.

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Wishing you success in your work. I am very cordially,

Mrs. Hattie May Benjamin
Unadilla, N. Y.
Jan. 6, 1905.

Mrs. Lucy Pierce Roberts
Natick, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Roberts:

Mr. T. H. Holcombe
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Jan. 6, 1905.

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My dear Mrs. Holcombe:

I am sending you the Reading Lessons for the
Mrs. Winsted, N. Y.
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My dear Mrs. Stanley:

I am pleased to place your name upon

the mailing list, and will request your

name for the mailing list, and note that you desire an extra make

copy of the Reading Lessons for the grange. I have sent you all in one package up to date. Our lessons are mailed from the print-

office, and we have about thirteen thousand women on the list.

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your husband's initials you might give me your own initials besides,
and both would go on the mailing list. I will be very glad to bring same with me in the fall.

I like your suggestion in regard to the making and keeping of
jelly, and I think we shall publish a lesson upon the canning of
fruits before very long.

I believe you are correct about the place for the feather duster
because it only stirs up the dust and allows it to collect elsewhere.

You are also right in regard to the wisdom of letting the chil-
dren read aloud. After all it might be well for a boy not only to
read aloud, but be read to sometimes. I wish you would pay my

respect to your boy, and tell him I am glad he is as good as a
girl in housework. He will never regret having been taught how,
very cordially,

although he will probably not have occasion to follow it always.

Very cordially,
Jan. 6, 1903.

Mrs. Lucy Pierce Roberts
Natick, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Roberts:—

I am sending you the Reading Lessons for the
Mrs. Charlotte R. Stanley
Fall100 College Ave., Elmdale, N. Y. I am glad to know that you are

My dear Mrs. Stanley:— I am pleased to place your name upon

the mailing list, and in reply to your letter received this morning

let message that I think it is customary for the local people to make

arrangements for the hall and equipment at the Farmers’ Institutes.

I do not know whether a lantern is already provided for your Insti-

tute aside from the fact that Prof. Craig tells me that he is to

have slides on Friday evening, and I think he expects the lantern

is provided. Should you find that the hall will admit of a stere-

opticon in the daytime, and arrangements can be made for running it,

I will be very glad to bring slides with me, as I have them and per-

haps they will be of interest to the women. I will leave it en-

tirely to you to decide as you find out the conditions there; and

would ask that you let me know as soon as you could determine, so

that I may be prepared.

I am very sorry the bulletins have not reached you. I send

out so many that I cannot tell now whether I mailed them and they

have miscarried, or whether I neglected to do it. At any rate, it

will be the safest way to forgive me this time, and I shall mail

you some this morning. It is too bad you could not have had them

when you wanted them.

Very cordially,

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Mrs. Lucy Pierce Roberts  
Natick, Mass.  

My dear Mrs. Roberts:—  

Mr. Wm. V. Alexander  

I am sending you the Reading Lessons for the  
Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and am glad to know that you are  
interested in farm life. I am pleased to place your name upon  
the mailing list, and you will receive subsequent copies as they  
are issued.

I hope you will enjoy your new home, and I judge from the loc-  
ation that it will be very delightful.  

There will be no expense connected with the course. It is  
provided under state appropriation for readers in New York State;  
I send you under separate occasions. Reading is a pleasant  
process for us, and you will hereafter receive the same monthly as  
during the winter. It gives me pleasure also to place your name  
upon our mailing list for a very recent publication which I  
tested in, called the "Boys & Girls!"

Very cordially yours,  

Mrs. John E. Wood  
New Hackensack, N. Y.  

My dear Mrs. Wood:—  

This question was so very kind to receive the list of names of  
the women belonging to the Mt. Hope Grange, and I hope you will find  
the work really helpful, and that in any way we can cooperate with  
you, you will write us and let us do our share. It is not necessary for  
each one to answer the questions; although it is desirable. However,  
many of them are easier for some than for others, and we do not wish to  
deprive anyone of benefits which they might have from reading and  
belonging to the club, because they do not answer the quizzes.

Very cordially,
Jan. 8, 1903.

Mrs. A. M. Beach
Forestville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Beach:

Mr. Wm. V. Alexander
Mrs. H. E. Scriver, work in the grange for women. It is difficult

Dear Mr. Alexander:

My dear Mrs. Beach have your very pleasant letter of the 7th inst. regard-
ing the exchange list, and appreciate your kind offer under the cir-
cumstances mentioned in your letter, and in the accompanying circular.

I shall understand if at any time the magazine fails to reach me, because I can appreciate to some extent how much of an encumbrance

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Mrs. A. M. Keach
Forestville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Keach:

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I am sending you under separate cover some suggestions for material for the Teachers' Institutes.

Mrs. A. M. Keach
Forestville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Keach:

I have received the list of members of your organization and am very glad to have it. It is a nice membership which you have. It is not necessary for each member to fill out the quiz. We want this to be of as much benefit as possible, but I think you are organized in a way to make it not only profitable but very pleasant.

I must have misdirected the copy of rules of the Illinois Club. It was in a separate package. I may be able to secure another.

I shall keep your club in mind, and hope if I am near you, I may be able to meet you all. It will be a pleasure to meet anyone whom I have seen in the Teachers' Institutes.

Our time for mailing the lessons is not regular as we have to have so much other material sent out from this Department for the farmers and for the children that it is difficult to follow any fixed rule.

Should you wish to have any of the Nature Study leaflets sent to the children in your neighborhood, please send me their names and addresses, and I will have them placed upon the mailing list.

Very cordially,

Jan. 8, 1903.

Mrs. A. M. Keach
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Mrs. A. M. Keach
Mr. L. Forestville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Keach:

I am sending you under separate cover some suggestions regarding work in the grange for women. It is difficult to get subjects upon the work of women which will be of interest to men as well, and I can readily see—having been at your grange—that you would find it best to have subjects of common interest. I think the discussions upon the subjects outlined in the circular "Farm Home Studies" will be of some interest to men as well as to women.

I liked the idea which I saw followed out in your program, of having some literary work in connection with the technical lines. A little American history, for instance, or current topics would interest the men and be very profitable.

While I may not be giving you very much help, I hope you will ask for more if it is anything within my power to grant.

Very cordially yours,

Jan. 8, 1903.

Jan. 9, 1903.

My dear Miss Barrows:

I am wondering whether you would object to my sometimes asking you to send a copy of the Kitchen Magazine to a farmer's wife when I know that that particular number will answer some question which she has asked me? If this would be of no value to you as a means of advertising, I see no reason why you should send the magazine without remittance. As you have had experience in these lines, you will know whether it would be profitable. If it meets with your approval, kindly advise me and I shall be glad to send names to you occasionally.

Very sincerely,
Dear Friend:

I believe I told you I would write you separately when I do not have your letter at hand to pay for your club, but should you desire it, I can come on Thursday, February 9th, and shall be ready for them.

Will you please advise me whether you desire me to bring any lantern slides? I have some which would perhaps illustrate points on the subject of "rural schools", and some household topics, including attitudes in work, insect pests and kitchen conveniences.

I am not at all particular about this, and if you have not arranged to have a lantern at these meetings, I do not think it would pay you to get it.

My dear Mrs. Colegrove:

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Mr. L. R. Taft
Agricultural College, Mich.

Jan. 9, 1905.
Jan. 9, 1903.

Dear Friend: -

I believe I told you I would write you some day when I could be at East Aurora. I do not have your letter at hand to know the regular day for your club, but should you desire it, I can come on Thursday, Jan. 29th, or later in February, or sometime in March. If it is not in January, probably it will not be necessary to fix upon a date at present.

Very cordially,

Martha Y. Grevonela

Jan. 16, 1903.

Mrs. Mabel E. Colegrove
Hamilton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Colegrove:

Your answers to quizzcs Nos. 1 & 2 are excellent. I notice the point you make in regard to where we should throw dish water. If one has a large yard or garden, no doubt the throwing of dish water on the ground is a good thing for the soil. Loam has the quality of absorbing impurities and by a chemical process converting them into that which will nourish the soil. The great difficulty is that dish water is apt to be thrown too much in one spot, and that often near the house. The cess-pool itself is not always satisfactory, but unless the plan is followed which I have mentioned, it is much better than to throw the water in one place around the kitchen door. I therefore, think your suggestion a good one, and a fuller explanation might be a good thing in the lesson. Your answers indicate a great deal of care about your housework and home, which I wish all housekeepers could have. It means, of course, constant watchfulness.

Hoping that we may hear from you again, I am,

Very cordially,

Martha Y. Grevonela
Jan. 9, 1903.

Mrs. J. D. Arch.
Mrs. F. W. Thomas
Silver Creek, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Thomas:

In reply to your letter let me say that I do not know of anything published on the subject of Juvenile Courts, but probably there may be. I enclose copy of references of the Departmental Committee, and I am sending your letter to the chairman of that committee. Should I be able to find anything in the library here on the subject, I will write you again.

I attended a Juvenile Court at the George Junior Republic. You are probably familiar with the plan followed at that institution.

If you want something more explicit in regard to that particular place I would advise you to write to the Judge of the Court, George Junior Republic, Freeville, N. Y. Tell him that you are to write upon the subject, and ask him to send you a description of their court. He will be a boy, probably of about fifteen years of age, and perhaps he would give you something quite interesting.

I wish you might sometime see them when court is in session, and to send her giving her the requisites of a court. With you success in your effort, and regretting that I cannot of more assistance, I am, very cordially,

Jan. 9, 1903.

Mme. Mortimer, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Jerome:

Mrs. H. R. Jerome

Concerning the references you have written to a friend who is in the State School for the Education of the Feeble-Minded, I am sending you a package containing all the references that I can find in the Albany, N. Y., Public Library. I am sending the references to the chairman of the Committee on Juvenile Courts of the State of New York, and I am sending you the package of references as a copy of the references of the Departmental Committee.

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Wishing you success in your effort, and regretting that I cannot of more assistance, I am, very cordially,

Jan. 9, 1903.

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Mrs. T. A. Tripp
Mrs. F. W. Thomas
Silver Creek, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Tripp:

In reply to your letter I am sending you a package of lessons of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and have placed your name on the mailing list. I hope you will find some suggestions regarding the Albany Library School.

I wonder if it will not be a good idea for your daughter to go to the Library School at Chautauqua next summer. This might make it possible for her to take up her work in Albany more easily. Later on, and not only in their own regular work, the Chautauqua Library School is under the same head as the Albany that turned. Let us know at any time when you are coming. I think it is a delightful outlook, and I hope your daughter will enjoy it. You are to be congratulated upon the attainments which your daughters are reaching, and yet, as you say, it is not long since we were in school together.

Very cordially,

Jan. 9, 1903.

Mrs. W. A. Tripp
Mrs. F. W. Thomas
Silver Creek, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Tripp:

I have written to a friend who is in the State Library at Albany, asking her to send you all the information she can name on the mailing list. I know it is a hard position to best.

Therefore, the work would agree with that done in Albany, I will aid in the work. We have moved me to a Farmers' Reading Course, and I will write to the Library School at Chautauqua next summer. This might make it possible for her to take up her work in Albany more easily. Later on, and not only in their own regular work, the Chautauqua Library School is under the same head as the Albany that turned. Let us know at any time when you are coming. I think it is a delightful outlook, and I hope your daughter will enjoy it. You are to be congratulated upon the attainments which your daughters are reaching, and yet, as you say, it is not long since we were in school together.

Very cordially,

Jan. 9, 1903.

To Miss Woodruff:

I enclose herewith a letter from a friend in regard to the Library School. I have nothing to send her giving her the requirements, and will you kindly ask whoever has it in charge, to send to this lady whatever she may need toward getting her started in a library course? I would think it advisable for her to have the daughter attend the Library School at Chautauqua next summer, as it will prepare her for the work of the year in Albany. I will tell her to write to you to this effect. It is not any fault of yours if it is not placed in the hands of the right person. It is not any fault of yours if it is not placed in the hands of the right person.

Thanking you, I am,

Very cordially,

Jan. 19, 1903.
Mrs. E. A. Tripp

Jan. 10, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Tripp:

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In reply to your letter I am sending you a package of lessons of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and have placed your name on the mailing list. I hope you will find some suggestions in Monday is not a good day, and you may place it the 29th. If you think of your work in the grange, I know it is a hard position to bear. I shall be in Albany the two days previous to the 29th. I can stay over and take care of the grange, and, as they are women who are anxious for advance through a Farmers' Reading Course for farmers, and if I have sent you. If you are living in a farming community, it may be that you would like to have the Farmers' Reading Course. It is hard to send it.

My dear Miss Wheeler:

Mrs. Minnie F. Walker, Geneva, N. Y. I enclose the card which I failed to send before. I had mislaid it. I shall be very greatly obliged to you for your trouble in securing and sending me the name of this woman. Perhaps you can tell me whether you think mine would be a good place to send an article for "Country Life." Sometimes people don't tell us about quite interesting things, and my hands are not so good at writing them to it. Thanking you, I have sent on the regular of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, and I hope you will not be able to gain much more. Should you wish to have it go by train, I shall be very pleased to have it sent from the State Library to you. I am cordially yours.

Very cordially,

Mrs. E. A. Tripp

Jan. 10, 1903.
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Mrs. Winnie P. Walker,
Geneva, N. Y.

You refer to the circular which I am sending you. I hope you will be able to gain some help from these and that you will be able to answer the quiz. I was much interested in your answers to the quiz. It shows that you have given it much thought, and I note that you are having a good line of reading. You ask if I can read any questions, and I will ask to have it sent from the State Library without any cost. It is a little time to get this around, so the sooner this is returned the better, and I am glad you called my attention to it.

Very cordially,

Jan. 13, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Walker:

I was much interested in your answers to the quiz. It shows that you have given it much thought, and I note that you are having a good line of reading. You ask if I can read any questions, and I will ask to have it sent from the State Library without any cost. It is a little time to get this around, so the sooner this is returned the better, and I am glad you called my attention to it.

Very cordially,
Kind, I am strongly of the opinion that one should begin at the
start. Much time is lost by indulgence, and it is hard for the
parent and hard for the child. I think it is held by many who have
Mrs. Ann W. Guernay
Maryland, N. Y.

In reply to your question regarding to making children
worse, and kindness are essential in governing
an unruly child. I am sending you a circular regarding the
formation of a reading club. I think you will find it an inspira-
tion to regular and helpful reading to be associated together in
this work. I see, however, that your life is very full, and per-
haps it might be too taxing to do the reading which you have at home
for the benefit of your husband, and at the same time be united with
others for that purpose. I think it would be very nice to have
a reading club which would be interesting to your husband as well as
to others, and perhaps the suggestions contained on the circular
which I am sending are not what you will need. The reason for boys
who would like to have the Farmers' Reading Course as well as the Farmers'
Wives. This may all be interspersed with a bit of travel, history,
poetry, etc. American history and current events are always inter-
esting to men.

The library which you refer to may be had according to the terms
mentioned in the circular which I am sending you. I hope you will
be able to gain some help from these and that you will be free to
write me if I can furnish anything more. Should you wish to have a
traveling library, give me somewhat of an idea what books you desire
and how many, and I will ask to have it sent from the State Library
at Albany. It takes a little time to get this around, so the sooner
it is applied for, the better.

In reply to your other question in regard to making children
specific cases.
mind, I am strongly of the opinion that one should begin at the
start. Much time is lost by indulgence, and it is hard for the
parent and hard for the child. I think it is held by many who have
studied the subject that babyhood is none too early to begin to train
for obedience. Firmness and kindness are essential in governing
an unruly child. Appeal for that which is the best in the child
and it is easier to obtain than if one is looking for disorder.
It does a child good to feel that he is trusted.

Hoping to hear from you regarding your club and library plans,
I am interested in your magazine club and possibly in the one
mentioned in the enclosed circular. You are very thoughtful in
neglecting magazines and books which are more helpful. News-
papers are not very good either by themselves, although they fur-
ner, in giving the news, is only that we are too apt to substitute it for
books. It does worse to buy and not use the things which are
purchased as a matter of course, for that is what we think only
of needed recreation or entertainment. My fear is that which is
necessary to have; and I would not condemn a good deal of
reading which is done for that.

Mrs. Ursula Sworts
Dundee, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sworts:

Your question regarding the reason for boys
and girls leaving the farm is a difficult one to answer. We are
very liable to go where we are most interested. If farming is
made interesting, therefore, to boys and girls and they feel a re-
sponsibility and some sense of ownership in the work, I think it
would be done without instruction. On the other hand, if
some boys and girls are not fitted for farm life, and should
not engage in that which will be more to their liking and which they
can do better.

Jan. 13, 1903.

This is only a general answer and might not fit
specific cases.
Mrs. T. D. Sanborn
Mrs. S. O. Smith
Jamestown, N. Y.

Jan. 13, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Smith:

I was interested in your answers to the Quiz No. 7, and I think that your question will be answered to some extent in Lesson 8, now in press, in regard to readings. If we have but little time to read it is easily absorbed by the newspapers; and for that reason we neglect magazines and books which are more helpful. Newspapers are not very good training for the mind, although they furnish that which is very necessary to have, and I would not condemn the newspaper. It is only that we are too apt to substituteit for books. I am interested in your magazine club at home, if the woman is a good businesswoman and has a paper. These things require her to work beyond her normal time and in the development of needed recreation or an opportunity for relaxation. She seems to me better to buy some ready-made dress for home use.

You question in regard to the ability of young people to read aloud is one which I cannot answer in full. Our rural schools, however, are not giving a proper amount of the right kind of attention to oral reading. If the boys and girls could be taught to read with expression and think as they read, a greater blessing would be conferred upon them than by teaching them many things which would be of no use in life.

Your other question in regard to work in the open air makes it difficult for one to keep awake when sitting in a warm room, besides many men are obliged to arise early in the morning and need to take sleep quite early at night.

Very cordially,

Mrs. T. D. Sanborn
Jan. 13, 1903.

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E. Thetford, Vt.

Jan. 13, 1903.

Mrs. W. W. Hallock 

Dear Mrs. Sanborn: —

In reply to your question regarding the economy of buying ready-made clothing in preference to making it, let me say that it is surprising to know how reasonable ready-made garments can be purchased. It depends a good deal upon how much time a woman has to spend in sewing. If her time is limited, and to make all of these things requires her to work beyond her strength or deprive her of needed recreation or an opportunity for self improvement, it seems to me better to buy some ready-made clothing in preference to making it.

If the material is purchased, however, and the garment made at home, if the woman is a good seamstress the garment may look better and last longer. If a desirable garment can be purchased, my opinion is that it is cheaper to do so. Again it depends somewhat upon the shopping facilities which one has. It the cities one can do much better of course than in a small town.

Your other question in regard to "how can you keep tired men awake evenings?" I have not had much experience in this line, but I believe I should let them go to sleep. Work in the open air makes it difficult for one to keep awake when sitting in a warm room, besides many men are obliged to arise early in the morning and need to take sleep quite early at night.

Very cordially,
Jan. 13, 1903.

Mrs. W. W. Ballock
Milo, Kansas.

My dear Mrs. Ballock:

In reply to your question in regard to a course of reading, let me say that I am strongly of the opinion that a woman should take time for self-improvement. She owes this to herself and to her family. It is very noticeable that women may engage in reading and study and gain so much rest and inspiration from it as to be all the more valuable in the management of household affairs. Many women have pursued a course of study as, for instance, the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Course, and by doing a little each day have been surprised to find it growing easier and their ability to accomplish so much. It comes from doing the little often.

I note your question also in regard to the management of children. I expressed my views upon that subject in an article in the January number of "Home and Flowers." I will ask to have it sent to you, and perhaps you may find an answer to your question to some extent.

I send you an outline of a course of study suggested by this Department.

Very cordially,

Jan. 13, 1903.

Mrs. W. W. Ballock,

Mr. Van Norman,
Jan. 13, 1903.

Miss Mattie May Benjamin
Mr. Louis E. Van Norman
Springfield, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Van Norman:

I wonder if you would object to my making the following description which you sent me:

I am taking the liberty to answer a question sent by one of our farmers' wives in Kansas, by referring the writer to the January number of "Home and Flowers." Will you kindly send her a copy? I occasionally would like to do this, unless you think there would be some objection to it. If so, kindly advise me.

Very truly,

Jan. 13, 1903.

Miss Ada Estes
Mr. Louis E. Van Norman
Springfield, Ohio.

Jan. 13, 1903.

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Very truly,
Mrs. Ellia Buck
Milton Mills, N. H.

My dear Mrs. Buck:

I am glad to know that you have a son in the
Short Course at Ohio University. I hope I may meet him, and shall try to
interest him in the study of birds. I enclose a list
of books upon this subject which may perhaps aid you.

In answer to your inquiries I have had a Nature
Study bulletin sent you on the subject of birds. I enclose a list
of books upon this subject which may perhaps aid you.

I also sent you yesterday a "Sunshine" magazine which had in it
an article relating to the making over of clothing, and possibly you
will find something of value. I will ask to have sent you a maga-
zine giving you some suggestions in regard to plain cooking.

Hoping that this will give you the information which you desire,

Very cordially,

Jan. 14, 1903.

Mrs. A. Otander, New York.

Dear Mrs. Otander:

In reply to your question in regard to Dickens
I can only answer from my own standpoint. I appreciate Dickens
...
Jan. 13, 1903.

Mrs. R. Dillin
Dillin, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dillin:

I am glad to know that you have a son in the Short Course in Ithaca. I hope I may meet him, and shall try to do so. I am much interested in the Short Course students, and their friends have great reason to be proud of their record at Cornell University. They command the respect of all for their conscientious, thorough application to work. When you are writing to your son please tell him that I am in the same office with Prof. Craig, and would like to meet him. Some suggestions in that line.

There is a great amount of very cordially, but it is sometimes difficult to discriminate, and one does not like to lose much time. It is a book which I like to read often, and there is much that I cannot understand.

Jan. 14, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Ostrander:

In reply to your question in regard to Dickens I can only answer from my own standpoint. I approve of Dickens for family reading. It is a better class of fiction than much of the new style of newspaper and less of the sensational and recording of events which are horrible to know about. A newspaper ought to be clean and in proper order and not have so much of the new style. I think Dickens has not been read as much of late, but the judgment of critics seems to be that his works will live, and it is only because there has been so much in the new style of fiction, especially among historical novels, that Dickens has been laid upon the shelf, harder to keep clean than mattresses, but only temporarily. His works are wholesome and are fine studies in human nature. I sometimes get depressed by his representation of the housework. They are much better off for it, and of so much that is unfortunate in life, but there is a sense of humor running through his works which atones for this to a great extent.

Hoping to hear from you again, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. P. A. Ostrander
Rensselaer, N. Y.
Jan. 14, 1903.

I enclose a letter received Jan. 14, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Clark:-

I have received your answers to Quiz No. 7 and want to thank you for the care with which you have filled it out.

In answer to your question regarding the most instructive readings, let me say that a lesson will reach you this month upon that subject, and I hope you will receive some suggestions in that line. There is a great amount of good literature, but it is oftentimes difficult to discriminate, and one does not like to lose much time in reading to no purpose. Taste also has considerable to do with inclusion or rejection. It is a book which I like to read often, and it, as what will interest one may not another. Nature Study, current events, travel, biography and some fiction, together with any daily newspaper, offer large avenues for self improvement. I think we are inclined to read the newspapers too much, although I believe in a certain amount of it. I wish our reading public demanded a better style of newspaper and less of the sensational and recording of events which are horrible to know about. A newspaper ought to be clean enough for children to read.

Your question about feather beds I should answer in the negative. They hold the heat and impurities, if there be any, and are much harder to keep clean than mattresses.

I think you are very wise to have your little girls learn to help about the housework. They will be much better off for it, and they will also be of more help to you, and when they have to do for themselves can work to greater advantage. I am glad you are bringing them up in that way.

Very cordially,
Jan. 15, 1902.

My dear Miss Barrows:

I enclose a letter received from Mrs. L. W. Dickerson, State College, N. Y., from Champaign, Ill. This morning as I came through Repose, I saw a number of books, including the one I mentioned in my last letter which I like to read often, and it always does me good.

The dry peat or loam has the power to absorb decaying matter, and it acts as a fertilizer. This is due to a chemical process and not only is favorable in that it prevents dangerous results from leaving it without absorption, but it is a benefit as a fertilizer for the growth of the vegetable world. I am pleased with the answers to Quiz No. 2, and thank you for the care with which you have done the work.

I am sorry I could not go on the 26th.

Very cordially,
Jan. 15, 1903.

My dear Miss Barrows:

I enclose a letter received sometime ago, which at the time I answered by mentioning a lady from the Iowa State College and one from Champaign, Ill. This morning as I came across the letter it occurred to me that if the school did not demand more than a week or two, perhaps you would not object to giving a course of lectures in Georgia. Professor Bailey thinks the South is having a great awakening along these and other lines. I will be glad to write them if it is anything you would care for, and if with this is not possible, you may have a suggestion to make.

Very truly,

[Signature]

Mrs. W. W. Perry
East Aurora, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Perry:—

I have been watching for an opportunity to go to East Aurora and have not as yet seen a good time for it. Possibly I shall see you or some member of your club at Salamanca and can talk with you more definitely. I am sorry I could not go on the 28th.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Hoping that you may see a very bright prospect for happiness on the farm, and congratulating you upon your success thus far.
Miss A. Teneyck
Mrs. F. Luke, N. Y.

Hartlett, N. Y.

My dear Miss Teneyck:

My dear Miss Teneyck:

I have been much interested in your letter received some days ago. It is surprising how many difficulties women will overcome when they are left in care of a farm or a home. You certainly have done well and I hope your prosperity is insured without a further detriment to health.

It is considered in this Department that the disease referred to in your letter is only kept in check by separating absolutely, the healthy from the diseased animals, as the disease is contagious.

I wish I could propose some plan by which the new barn would be a possible thing. The instrument of which you speak, if it could be sold for what was paid for it, would be of great help on the farm, but the difficulty is that these tests are not now used to write us, as it is always a pleasure to be in touch with those who are advancing the work of education in a community.

I have talked with some persons here whom I thought might know of the possibility of a sale, but they have had no encouragement. If I should learn of anything which might aid you, I shall surely write you.

I wonder how it would do to let the barn go until other difficulties are cleared up and health is insured? It is better to have it, but of late many novels have been placed before the public even a shabby barn than to have women broken down in health. Of course you know the circumstances so much better than I that it is impossible for me to help you any, but I assure you I should like to and Scott, and that the latter have only been placed upon the shelves temporarily.

Hoping that you may see a very bright prospect for happiness on the farm, and congratulating you upon your success thus far, I am,

Very cordially,

Jan. 16, 1903.

Jan. 19, 1903.
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Miss Mary V. Crossley
Mrs. May Abound
Dear Abound, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Abound:

I am sending you a package of lessons for farmers' wives, and am glad to say that you will be interested in the course. The lessons are well written, and I believe you will find them useful in your work. I am enclosing a list of the lessons and the dates when they are due. I hope you will use the lessons and that you will be able to answer the questions at the end of each lesson.

Very cordially,

Jan. 19, 1903.

Mrs. E. St. Tompkins
Henrietta, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Tompkins:

I have been much interested in reading your answers to the quizzes, and your letter of recent date. I appreciate very much the interest which you have shown in the Reading Course, and I suppose you saw in Lesson No. 7 your article on dishwashing. I hope you will be interested in the suggestions contained therein. They are excellent, and they will help the readers of the course much.

You also have mentioned your interest in the destruction of the Buffalo moth. A bulletin has been issued called "Household Insect Pest," which contains the life history and extermination of the Buffalo moth. It may be secured for five cents by writing to Experiment Station, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

If you see any opportunity for us to cooperate with you in this work, I would be glad to hear from you. The bulletin contains much of interest, not only to those who are advancing the work of education in a community, but also to those who are interested in the destruction of pests.

Your suggestion in regard to a bulletin on the subject of health appeals to me, and while we may not be able to publish one this year, yet I think it should be published next year. Thanking you for your interest in this subject, I am 

Very cordially, 

Jan. 19, 1903.

Very truly,
Jan. 19, 1903.

Miss Mary E. Crawley
Willow, N. Y.

Mrs. May Audubon
Greene, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Audubon:

Mrs. John R. Dayton
Echo, N. Y.

I am sending you a package of lessons for farmers' wives issued in connection with Lesson No. 7. I believe you will find the name of any to your interest in several subjects, and would say in regard to any you have missed, I am interested in your answers to the quiz. I am interested in your question concerning reading matter in a lesson which you are interested in reading that lesson, I hope you will be free to write me.

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Your suggestion in regard to a bulletin on the subject of health appeals to me, and while we may not be able to send one out this year, yet I think without doubt it will be sent next year.

Thanking you for your interest in answering the quiz, and the excellent suggestions you have made, I am,

Very cordially,

Jan. 19, 1903.

John R. Dayton
Mrs. John R. Dayton
Greene, N. Y.
Miss Mary E. Crowley  
Fillmore, N. Y.  

Mrs. May Abbott  
Ithaca, N. Y.  

My dear Mrs. Abbott:-  

I am sending you a package of lessons for farmers' wives, together with some other information in regard to the Course and which you have answered so well, your interest in several subjects, and would say in regard to bringing spring water from a distance to the house that if you will refer to Lessons No. 1 & 2 of the Women's Reading Course you will find several suggestions in regard to that subject. We shall have a lesson upon the subject of foods this year in addition to what was published last year in Lesson No. 4.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1903.

Professor J. H. Barr:-

I have written Mrs. Snyder in answer to her kind invitation, and am planning to spend the first Sunday with her. My present intention is to be there on Saturday in order to have a better acquaintance in this state, to use the same book in going from Ithaca to Lansing? If I do not hear from you, I shall simply buy my ticket to Lansing. Probably it is best to get a return ticket, as I shall not come from Ithaca.

Jan. 19, 1903.

Mr. E. A. Van Fredericks  
Port Jervis, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have received a copy of your excellent newspaper containing a notice of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I wish to thank you for the same. It is a very helpful thing to us to have these notices appear because the newspaper certainly goes into the farm home.

Thanking you, I am,

Very truly,
Jan. 19, 1903.

Miss Mary E. Crowley
Fillmore, N. Y.

Dear Miss Crowley:

I am sending you a package of lessons for farmers' wives, together with some other information in regard to the Course of reading, and I want to thank you for your interest in the Course. We shall be glad to place upon our mailing list the names of any women whom you may wish to send. Thank you for your very full directions for reaching Lansing. As I am not acquainted with the roads in Michigan this will be a help of your plans are working to your satisfaction. Very cordially,

Professor J. H. Barr
Ithaca, N. Y.

My Dear Professor Barr:

I am having difficulty in securing a room for an illustrated lecture at 4:30 o'clock on Feb. 10th. I have heard that your lecture room was available at that time, and that the electric circuit was kept on until six o'clock. I can find rooms, but the circuit is so unreliable that it is unsafe to hold meetings in them at that hour. Will you let me know how the matter stands?

Yours sincerely,

John Craig

Jan. 21, 1903.
pages 445-449 are missing
Jan. 21, 1903.

Miss Battie May Benjamin.

Mr. Ed. R. Taft.

Agricultural College, Mich.

My dear Miss Benjamin:—

Dear Mr. Taft:—

I have received your answers to Miss Benjamin's letter, and

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necessarily be a great help to women who want to improve their homes

and be all that is necessary for the trip. However, I am

without a large outlay of money, and it is very good of you to take

accustomed in this state to use mileage books. Will it be an ad-

vantage to use them in traveling from place to place in Michigan,

Yes, I assure you the names of farmers' wives within the state

and if so, will there be any part of the trip where I shall need to

use the same book in going from Ithaca to Lansing? If I do not

hear from you, I shall simply buy my ticket to Lansing. Probably

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and intention is to be there on Saturday, in order to become better ac-

quainted with the women's work of the club. If matters here, how-

ever, should be such as to necessitate my remaining and leaving on

I shall be much interested in reading the articles which you

Saturday night instead of Friday night, I will so advise Mrs. Snyder.

I think it is quite as well to omit the lantern slides, and

The suggestions for "holders" will be very valuable, and per-

will be prepared accordingly.

Very sincerely,

Thanking you, I am,

Most cordially,
Jan. 21, 1903.

Mrs. Minnie Wait
Silver Springs, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Wait:

I have received your answers to Quiz No. 2, and appreciate the care and attention you have given to these questions.

In reply to your request regarding the booklets that
you have received from the Extension Department, it is
true that some have been returned. I understand that
these will be disposed of under the care and direction
of the Extension Agent. Can you please organize a club
of a few women who will unite with us in securing
one of these booklets?

I want to thank you for your letter of recent date in regard to the article which I am using for "Home and Flowers." If not too much trouble, I would be very glad to have you send me a description of the white room. These things must necessarily be a great help to women who want to improve their homes without a large outlay of money, and it is very good of you to take pains to write them out.

Yes, I assure you the names of farmers' wives within the state who would be interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course will be very acceptable to me.

Before sending this letter I shall read the articles which you have kindly sent me.

I am not a soldier's daughter, but belong to a family which has been quite well known in the military affairs of New York State. Miss Evelyn Calkins
I belong to the W. R. C., because I believe the younger members of society should do all that is possible to make easier the life of those who have served their country.

Your letter of Jan. 16th has been handed to me.

I shall be much interested in reading the articles which you have sent me, and I send you under separate cover a list of our leaflets which have been issued and send to farmers' wives. This work is supported by state appropriation and administered by the College of Agriculture, Cornell University, under its Extension Department. Reading Course. I shall see that you have a copy of the number containing your letter to answer them.

Thanking you, I am,

Most cordially,
Jan. 21, 1903.

Mrs. Minnie Waite
Silver Springs, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Waite:

I have received your answers to Quiz No. 2, and want to thank you for the care and attention you have given to these questions. I have received your very cordial letter, and in reply to your question regarding the books let me say that an arrangement has been made with the State Library at Albany by which books may be secured according to the regulations indicated on page 4 of the enclosed circular guide. Can you not organize a club of a few women who will unite with you in securing one of these libraries? This is so much cheaper than buying the books, and I would suggest it as a very helpful solution of the difficulty. I do not realize that it is a very expensive thing to buy all of the books which one wants to use. If you succeed in this, let me know what books you most desire, and I will try and get them for youth or sixes, weeks, and this week has.

Miss Evelyn Calkins
264 Boylston St.,
Boston, Mass.

Very cordially,

Dear Miss Calkins:

Your letter of Jan. 16th has been handed to me to answer, and I send you under separate cover a list of our leaflets which have been issued and sent to farmers' wives. This work is supported by state appropriation and administered by the College of Agriculture, Cornell University, under its Extension Department. Should you wish to ask any further questions, I shall be glad to answer them.

Very truly,
the reading public. All this is not my attainment, but my ideal. We will have better editors and better writers when plain, practical, everyday, common sense English is taught to young people, and they know how to express themselves in conversation.

Editorial work gives women an opportunity to work quietly at home, and to be a help to students. For that reason it is, in my estimation, work for women. My dear Mr. Skinner:

I have received your very cordial letter, and in reply let me say that I will be very glad to comply with Mrs. Skinner's request to make a few remarks before the Mothers' Club in Albany on Tuesday, the 23rd. I assure you it will give me a great deal of pleasure to be a guest on that occasion, or I may say a member of your household, for I do not like to be a guest. I had engaged a room at the Kenmore, but with so alluring a prospect before me, I think I will ask to give it up and will accept your's and Mrs. Skinner's kind invitation.

There is only one reason that I know of why I may be unable to be in Albany. My mother has not been well for a month or six weeks, and this week has been confined to her bed. Her physician advises her to move to a more healthful part of the country, and although they are no more than any one else's things, although they are no more than any one else's things, it is better that she should be gained. There is no way of saying that in our days of alluring ways of saying one thing and another, of saying one thing and another. A deep thought may be expressed in a simple manner, and it is better than a superficial one clothed in much rhetoric and large words.

The world has many women who desire to be writers and editors. There will always be room for those who have something to say, and who know how to say it, providing a sufficient amount of pluck and aggressiveness is had on the part of one who wishes to come before

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they know how to express themselves in conversation and on paper.
Editorship gives women an opportunity to work quietly at home, and
complete them to be students. For that reason it is, in my estima-
tion, a pleasant occupation, but success comes at the price of hard
work, and I must say more or less anxiety, unless one is a very easy
writer.

In reply to your letter I am sending you on only
the quiz for Lesson No. 1, but each lesson that has thus far been
published in order that you may know the outline of the work which
we are now doing. I hope you may be successful in interesting the
members of the grange, and anything that we can do to further your
plans I assure you we shall be most glad to know about. You cer-
tainly are a brave woman to undertake this work with the unfortunate
condition which has arisen from your accident. I think it is a very
wise thing to make the best of the situation with life and its interests outside of
one's home in order to make the home better and give courage for
the daily routine. You have had a most useful life, and I hope
will have many years in which to be a blessing to others. Sometimes
Lessons of some value and I assure you there are no charges. We
do not make a practice of sending out of the state, but we are glad
to extend our work as far as possible, and thus far the demand has
not been so great that it has seemed necessary to cut off our out
of state readers. Should this prove necessary we shall make some
provision by which the printer can sell the work at a nominal price.

If you will look on the list of the women in your
list, if you have their names placed
upon your printing list, and they will receive the lessons as they are
published in accordance with your plan.

A few names which I have as I am writing this letter I have heard
from any latest that I have to express this doubt to you regarding
the work, and assure you that I shall do my best, I am,

Very cordially,
Jan. 26, 1903.

Mrs. Lucy Thomas Guild
Ischua, N. Y.
Agricultural College, Mich.

Dear Mrs. Guild:

In reply to your letter I am sending you on only the quiz for Lesson No. 1, but each lesson that has thus far been published in order that you may know the outline of the work which we are now doing. I hope you may be successful in interesting the members of the grange, and anything that we can do to further your plans I assure you we shall be most glad to know about. You certainly are a brave woman to undertake this work with the unfortunate condition which has arisen from your accident. I think it is a very wise thing to keep in touch with life and its interests outside of one's home in order to make the home better and give courage for the daily routine. You have had a most useful life, and I hope will have many years in which to be a blessing to others. Sometimes the impatience which comes from infirmity is as valuable an influence as one can render.

If you will send on the blue paper a list of the women in your grange and any others interested, I shall have their names placed upon the mailing list and they will receive the lessons as they are published. In accordance with your request I am sending you.

Let me know at any time when we can be of any assistance.

Very sincerely,

Yours cordially,

Regretting that I have to express this doubt to you regarding the work, and assuring you that I shall do my best, I am,

Very cordially,
Feb. 4, 1903.

Mr. L. R. Taft
Agricultural College, Mich.
Mrs. Mildred K. Stanley
Dear Mr. Netherwood, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Stanley:

I want to explain, however, that my arm is quite critically ill,
and answer, because he knows a great deal more about apples than I do.

I am very glad you have written for information along these lines,
and hope whenever any questions come up which may be answered in our
department that you will be very free to write us.

Wishing you a great deal of success in your enterprise, and
hoping that the orchard will yield fine fruit, I am,

Very cordially,

Jan. 26, 1903.

Miss Anna B. Conshane
Buffalo, N. Y.

I infer that it

would not be safe to leave it until Sunday night as something might

occur that I would not make connections. Will you be kind enough

In accordance with your request I am sending you
to write me whether, in case it seems best for me to remain until
the picture of myself. I am sure this is a simple favor to grant, al-
though I doubt if the reading public will be greatly interested in my
appointments. I pride myself upon making my appointments promptly
and do not wish to run an undue risk unless circumstances really de-
mand it.

Yours cordially,

Regrettting that I have to express this doubt to you regarding
the work, and assuring you that I shall do my best, I am,

Very sincerely,
Feb. 3, 1903.

Mrs. M. Corwin, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Corwin:

I thoroughly enjoyed your recent letter. The

Mr. L. R. Taft Agricultural College, Mich.

Dear Mr. Taft:

I expect to leave for Michigan the last of this week.

Your boys are very much better now and knowing some of the arts

remain away if it seems upon the judgment of the physician that her

work, household life, and they will always find it a blessing to case

warrants my breaking the engagement. I expect to keep on with

my work, and shall leave with the understanding that I am to be sent

for if necessary, unless something transpires that makes it best to

get. These things are quite hard to set along with sometimes, but I shall

rem. The is the first illness she has had in some years, and

hope that this is not proving in any way of more than a temporary

she is quite advanced in age. It is impossible to tell the outcome

of the difficulty, but I hope there will be a decided change for the

better between now and Saturday. I planned to be at the College Sat-

urday morning in order to get an idea of the work which is being done

for the women in that Institution. Under these circumstances I

think it best not to start until Saturday night. I infer that it

Walden, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Relyea:

would not be safe to leave it until Sunday night as something might

occur that I would not make connections. Will you be kind enough,

I am much interested in your recent letter, and I am glad to know that you are finding something in the farmers'

and I am proud of my not making my Monday appointments; I pride myself upon making my appointments promptly

and do not wish to run an undue risk unless circumstances really de-

mand it.

Regretting that I have to express this doubt to you regarding

the work, and assuring you that I shall do my best, I am,

Very sincerely,
Mrs. May Corwin
My dear Andover, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Corwin:

I want to thank you for your very encouraging letter regarding the Women's Reading Course. It is a great pleasure to me when you are doing for the good of any woman and I hope you will be a great inspiration to each member of the family to have so much that is good in the home. Your connection with outside organizations together with your church work will keep you in touch with what is transpiring in the world and the good things of life to an extent to make the home life much more attractive and enjoyable.

Your boys are very much better off for knowing some of the arts of the household life, and they will always find it a blessing to make possible to get them. They may have to substitute, however, where the accident which you had will not prove to be serious.

I hope the accident which you had will not prove to be serious. Those things are quite hard to get along with sometimes, but I shall hope that this is not proving in any way of more than a temporary injury.

Very cordially,

Feb. 4, 1903.

Mr. A. N. Card
Pittsford, N. Y.

Mrs. Carrie Belle Relyea
Walden, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Relyea:

I shall be glad to come and speak before your Grange, if it is possible for me to do so. I am much interested in your recent letter, and I am glad to know that you are finding something in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course which attracts you. We shall be glad to hear from you at any time we can send you anything helpful. I will send you something on the subjects which you have mentioned in your letter that date is not satisfactory. Will you please let me know?

Very cordially,

Feb. 4, 1903.
Mrs. Mary Abbell  
Greene, N. Y.,

My dear Mrs. Greene:—  

I want to thank you for your very encouraging letter regarding the Women's Reading Course. It is a great pleasure to know that it is adding to the lives of any women, and I hope you will let us make it as helpful to you as possible by writing us for anything which you want to have in connection with the Reading Courses, and agricultural and farm home studies. The course offers very interesting acquaintance and experiences to us, so that we are finding the work exceedingly delightful.

I have your question on the quiz, and let me say that you can probably have the books that you want if your choice is such as to make it possible to get them. They may have to substitute, however, where the books are not available. Should a group of women want to get this library, it will be very cheap and I think you would thoroughly enjoy it.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Gabriel Greeley Cлемденian  
Westchester, New York City.

Mr. G. M. Card  
Pittsford, N. Y.

I have your letter with the nice list of books. I have been looking for something in this line for a long time, and I think of others before I send the list which I have found in the meantime. If you find that date is not satisfactory, please let me know.

Very truly,
Feb. 4, 1903.

Mrs. I. O. Sly
Sherman, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bly:

February 4th, 1903.

Your very cordial and encouraging letter has been received. The work which has been done by your circle is exceeding-

ly interesting, and I am glad you have had the benefit of the books
from the State Library. These helps have been a great blessing to
women who are interested in home studies. It seems impossible to
buy all that we want in these lines and to have the books within our
reach is certainly a great help.

Wishing you a great deal of pleasure in your winter's study
reading and thanking you for your kind words, I am
Very cordially,

Feb. 6, 1903.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Feb. 6, 1903.

Mrs. I. G. Bly
Sherman, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bly:

February 6th, 1903.

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Feb. 6, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Pulsifer:

I am very glad to hear from you. I will try to arrange to come for a visit to your home, and I hope to meet you in person.

In your letter you stated that you have been much interested in the pamphlet which you have received from the publishing company. I am glad to hear that you have found it useful and informative. It seems to me that your home is well suited for the kind of work you are doing, and I am sure that you will be successful in your efforts to improve the education of the children in your care.

I have been very interested in the subject of education, particularly in the field of home economics. I believe that home economics is a very important subject for modern girls, and I am glad to see that you are doing something to promote its study.

I hope that you will be able to continue your work, and that you will be successful in your efforts to improve the education of the children in your care. I am very glad to hear that you have been able to secure the pamphlet which you have received from the publishing company, and I wish you all the best of luck in your work.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Date]

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[Date]
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Lombard
Feb. 11, 1903.

Mrs. G. N. Card
Pittsford, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Card:

Feb. 6, 1903.

I have been much interested in your letter regarding the reading in your home. You are certainly giving your children a valuable experience in this respect, and it must mean that they will secure a broad education. I do not imagine it is best to force children into solid reading. If the form the reading habit and are pursuing studies in school, they will doubtless get interested in a class of literature which is valuable. If they had tendencies toward trashy literature I should suggest something different, of course, but I do not see why you are not doing something that nothing will interfere with my trip, I am, for them what will be most beneficial. Louisa M. Alcott's books are excellent for girls. "Girls Who Have Become Famous" is also inspiring. This is written by Sarah K. Bolton, and it is published by Thomas Y. Crowell. Should I think of others before I send the letter I will add them.

Very cordially,

Feb. 11, 1903.

Bryant & Stratford, our lessons, especially to members within the state,

Toronto, Can.

Orange, Judd Co.,

Dear Sirs:

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Feb. 11, 1903.
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Mrs. Elizabeth B. Lombard
30 Randall Ave.
New York, N. Y.

Mrs. G. N. Card
Pittsford, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lombard:—

I am very glad to receive the list of names for your, and I shall be much interested to receive
Mrs. Castello's in your next letter.

In reply to your letter let me say that as the third
Saturday in February is already taken, I will try to arrange to come
to Pittsford for the first Saturday in March, unless something that
I do not now anticipate comes up to prevent. The Department at
Cornell will pay my expenses, and there will be no expense for your
Orange, although they would much prefer that I should arrange for
two or three meetings for one trip, on account of the expense of the
trip. If there is a Grange near you that desire to have me visit
them I would be glad to know about it, and it would be necessary in
that case to have the other either on Friday afternoon or evening.

Hoping that nothing will interfere with my trip, I am,

Very truly,

Feb. 12, 1903.

Secretary of Agriculture
Mrs. W. Catherine Dunn
Jamaica, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:—

Please send me Farmers' Bulletin No. 57—"Butter Making
on the Farm."

Bryant & Co.,
Toronto, Can.

and I am sending you sixty copies of each lesson, together with a
few suggestions for home study.

Will you please send me the book, "Public School Agri-
culture", Mills & Shaw, for which I enclose forty cents.

Hoping you are having a pleasant winter, and

friends out of the way,

Very cordially,

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Very truly,
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Lombard  
30 Kendall Ave.  
My dear [illegible], N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lombard, I have received your very Feb. 11, 1903. and am very glad to know that you want to thank you for the nice list of names you have sent me. I shall be much interested to read them and appreciate your thoughtfulness, only on our second year, and the fact that you are sending me the list of names for the Women's Reading Course, and want to thank you for them. This is just the help we like to receive, because we are glad to have will those who are interested receive the lessons. These names will be placed upon our mailing list to receive the numbers from the beginning.

Thanking you, I am,
Very truly,

Feb. 12, 1903.

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Jamaica, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dunn, - Please send me Farmers' Bulletin No. 57--"Butter Making on the Farm." I am glad you have reminded me of this. I am only afraid we are not that it

In reply to your letter let me say that we are very glad to send our lessons, especially to members within the state, and I am sending you sixty copies of each lesson, together with a few suggestions for home study.

Hoping you are having a pleasant winter, I am,

Thanking you, I am,
Very truly,
Very cordially,
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Lombard
30 Kendall Ave.
My dear Mrs. Lombard,

I have received your very cordial letter and am very glad to know that you have been interested in the Women's Reading Course. I have enclosed a copy of our latest bulletin, No. 57, "Butter Making on the Farm.

I want to thank you for the nice list of names of books which you have sent me. I shall be much interested to read them. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

I am sending you the Nature Study leaflets, and I hope that you will be interested in the Women's Reading Course. If there is anything else which we have which you would like to have, it will give me great pleasure.

Very cordially,

Feb. 12, 1903.

Secretary of Agriculture
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mr. D. E. Knowlton, Farmington, Maine. Please send me Farmers' Bulletin No. 57—"Butter Making on the Farm."

I am glad you have reminded me of the course. I am only afraid now that it will be too late for you, but I hope you will find it of interest. We shall always be glad to hear from you, and should there be any others whom you think would like to receive the lessons, please be free to send their names.

Very cordially,

Feb. 12, 1903.
Mrs. L. A. Smith
My dear Mrs. Walker:

My dear Mrs. Smith:

I have received your very cordial letter and am very glad to know that you enjoy the Reading Course. I am sending you the full set of lessons up to date, and you will receive them hereafter as they are published. We are only on our second year, and the third year's work is not yet written.

You know it is a very great source of discomfort to have toiled for the last few months without any part of the clothing irritating and must be trying in many respects. However, you will have a rich reward for your efforts. And the body. A man seems to wear his and woman's experience, and a broader view of life for seeing differences in the country.

We shall always be glad to hear from you, and should there be others whom you think would like to receive the lessons, please be free to send their names. Very cordially, occupation, and I hope it will prove very profitable to you to do so.

Mrs. Frances C. Bowen
Child Station, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bowen:

I am glad you have reminded me of the copies of Lesson No. 3 which you desire. I am only afraid now that it will be too late for you to receive your previous letter to determine how many copies you wished. I will, however, send ten, and should you wish more, I will be glad to have you sent a larger number.

I am sending you here with the lessons of the Women's Reading Course up to date, and am placing your name upon the mailing list to receive the succeeding numbers as they are published. There is no expense whatever connected with this, and we are glad to have our friends out of the state interested.

Very truly,

Feb. 12, 1903.
Feb. 13, 1903.

Mrs. L. A. Smith
Portageville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Smith:

Mrs. Anna M. A. Shepherd very much like the idea suggested in your letter, and I think I can bring this matter into our Reading Course sometime.

I know it is a very great source of discomfort to have not only uncomfortable shoes, but any part of the clothing irritating one by being ill-fitting to the body. A man again to wear his clothes with greater ease than a woman does.

I hope you will write us at any time when anything of interest presents itself to allow for our benefit, or if you wish any of our literature or to ask any questions, please be free to do so. Business. It is certainly a very cordially, occupation, and I hope it will prove very profitable ever, if you wish them in the way indicated in Mrs. Comstock, for whom you inquire, was here today, and while she is exceedingly busy this winter, seems to be very well.

Mrs. Frances C. Bowen
Chili Station, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bowen:

I am glad you have reminded me of the copies of Lesson No. 3 which you desire. I am only afraid now that it will be difficult for me to find your previous letter to determine how many copies you wished. I will, however, send ten, and should you wish more, will you please write me.

I am glad to place the name of Mrs. Davis on the Reading Course and thank you for your interest in the course. Although you do not give me her post-office, I infer it is Chili Station, and am sending it accordingly.

Very cordially,
Feb. 14, 1903,

Mrs. Anna M. A. Shepherd
Mrs. Lawrence Hill Nurseries,
Avon, Scranton, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Shepherd:—

You want to thank you for your nice letter and for the quiz which accompanied it. This has been placed to your credit, and I am asking to have your address changed so that the lessons will come direct to you. I wish here with a copy of the paper if you wish to have these sent, they will be arranged for and they are insured.

I think probably the Cornell woman to whom you referred was Miss Rogers, who has done some Nature Study work in Pennsylvania.

I am glad to note the sign of prosperity in your nursery business. It is certainly a very pleasant occupation, and I hope it will prove very profitable ever, if you wish them in the way indicated in the letters. I have arranged for the office to be ready for the coming year. I am very happy to think that you will find this year a better one than the last; you can see that, however, I am exceedingly busy this winter, seems to be quite as well. We are very interested in the health of Mrs. Comstock, for whom you inquired, was here today, and while she is exceedingly busy this winter, seems to be quite as well. My mother is quite ill at present and has been for several weeks. We are hoping, however, that she may be better at no distant day.

Nursing that you are having a pleasant year in your school work, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Very cordially,
Feb. 13, 1903.

Mrs. Orra Burroughs
Avon, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Burroughs:

Your letter has been referred to me to answer, and I take great pleasure in sending you eight copies of the first lesson of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and if you will give me the names of the persons to whom you wish these sent, they will be placed upon the mailing list each month as they are published. I do not object in the least to sending eight copies each month, but unless it is given special attention only one copy is sent to an individual, since they are mailed from the office where they are printed. However, if you wish them in the way indicated in your letter for any special reason, I will arrange it.

I am asking to have sent you the Nature Study Leaflets as well. We are very glad to send all of our pamphlets to any in the state who are interested.

Hoping that you will find much advantage in this plan, I am, Very cordially,

Hoping that you are having a pleasant year in your school work,

I am,

Very cordially,
Feb. 14, 1903.

Mrs. Grace Hopkins:
Rushville, N. Y.

Feb. 13, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Hopkins:

Feb. 15, 1903.

I am glad to send you the lessons which you
have received three quizzes from you nicely.

Mrs. W. M. King:
Clifton Spa, N. Y.

Mr. W. M. King:
Rushville, K. Y.

I have received your letter regarding the libraries,
and if you will kindly give me an idea of the books which you wish
are to secure, I will ask to have them sent you. I enclose herewith a
circular stating the conditions under which the books may be secured.

To I will arrange so that the books can be sent direct to you from the
any State Library, if you wish to have it done will you will notice by the
circular enclosed that any group of women selecting a library can get
it at a very small cost. You can name the books you desire, and
to if it is possible to secure them, they will be sent. Otherwise it
will be necessary to substitute wherever the books called for can
be obtained.

Very cordially,

Hoping that you will find much advantage in this plan, I am,

Very cordially,
Feb. 13, 1903.

Mrs. Grace Hopkins: Rushville, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Hopkins:—

I am glad to send you the lessons which you desire. There will be no expense connected with it at present.

I have received three quizzes from you nicely answered, and I want to thank you for your interest in the Reading Course. Through some mistake evidently, your husband has not received the Farmers' Reading Course, and I will see that the lessons are sent now.

While we feel that it is a great advantage to us, and perhaps to our members, to have them fill out the quizzes, we do not want anyone to be deprived of the lessons if they will be of any benefit to them, even if they simply read them without filling out the quiz. You may, therefore, send us the names of those you think would like to read the lessons.

Thanking you for your kind words regarding the course, I am,

Very cordially,

Williamsville, N. Y.

Feb. 16, 1903.

Mr. E. W. Pardee.

My dear Mrs. Pardee:—

I am afraid they have not received your letter, but I doubt it will be all right now. It is possible you wish to take advantage of the opportunity given by the State Library to secure a traveling library for your club. I think it would be an excellent idea. I enclose a circular which refers to this last paragraph. Possibly the members of your club are distant from each other so that it would not be very practical, besides you are not far from a city library. Your judgment in that matter will be much better than mine.

Very cordially,
Feb. 14, 1903.

Miss Eliza McCormick
101 N. Front St.,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Miss McCormick:

Mrs. John E. Powell
Canton, Ohio,

I am glad to send you the lessons which you
desire. There will be no expense connected with it at present.

Should it be impossible for us to supply you from our office at any
whitme, I will refer you to the printer who can probably sell them
unto you at a nominal price. Do not hesitate to ask for what you de-
sire, as I think you are doing a fine work in having these farmers'
books read at your home. I find I can readily place you in Harrisburg
by May, spent a year there as a teacher in Miss Woodward's school.

"Marmion", and the "Men of the Lute" by Scott are in fiction we have
"David Copperfield", "Oliver Twist", and other books of Dickens and
"Ivanhoe" by Scott, and many of the more recent books of fiction
are excellent. If one is following agricultural pursuits, books
Mrs. Mae E. W. Pardee
upon "Williamsville, N. Y." desirable, as "Edgar's works", and those
by Dewey, "Mosswood", by Bailey, etc. If you will write me a list
the more definitely of the books you would like to have in your
library, would be agreeable to the first two names in the order of
their importance, especially in regard to dairy farming. If there is
no doubt it will be all right now.

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Feb. 16, 1903.

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[Signature]
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Mrs. John R. Howell:
Brogton, Ohio:
Mr. Frank E. M. Lincoln, N. Y.
My dear Mr. Howell:

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I am in order to mention a line of fiction which will be especially
which will be most helpful to you in your home, also hard to answer
the question since people differ in their tastes, and it depends
somewhat on what one's work is, in order to know what will be most
profitable to read. In one sense, the most widely read "Evangeline"
by Longfellow, "Snowbound" by Whittier, "The Vision of Sir Galahad" by
Lowell, "Nook Arden", or "The Idols of the King" by Tennyson,
"Marmion" and the "Land of the Lord", by Scott. In fiction, we have
"David Copperfield", "Oliver Twist", and other books of Dickens',
"Ivanhoe" by Scott, and many of the more recent books of fiction
are excellent. If one is following agricultural pursuits, books
upon Nature Study are very desirable, such as Burroughs' works; and vari-
ous books on horticulture, by Bailey. People, if you will write me a letter,
more definitely of the books which you wish to read are advisable.
I shall be glad to give you information that will be particularly helpful;
I think you will enjoy "Wild Animals, That I Have Known" by Ernest Thompson Seton.
It is delightful to spend the evenings reading, but it may become
quite taxing to one's mind, and may not commence where it is possible
to attend concerts and entertainments. It is good substitute. I find
vitalizing people, into one's home, make intellectual and social
stimuli is a fine thing to do to spend the time profitably.

Very cordially,

Vary cordially,
repair. Milk and eggs do this to a great extent. Peas and beans likewise are helpful. There are some cereals which are in better condition than those who eat a good deal of meat.

Mrs. A. A. York:—

My dear Mrs. York:—

It is hard to mention a line of fiction which will be especially beneficial, except to say that standard works which create in one a healthy desire for reading, and which furnish noble impulses—and at the same time interest the reader, and which take him away from the routine of labor, these may all be useful and elevating.

I am sending you a bulletin on poultry raising, and am referring from the routine of labor, these may all be useful and elevating. Let me refer you to lesson 3 for suggestions regarding swing gardening than I do. He is always glad to give what assistance he can in these lines.

I am glad to know that your children are here at Cornell, and effort, as much as possible, in the army, in order to bring the we are greatly interested in the short course boys as well as in strain away from the back. All of one's time for work, and neglect others because they do fine work and make so much good use of the short time which they have here. I hope I may meet your sons, and quizzing questions, and I want to thank you for them. Some excellent suggestions for reading, and I am glad very sincerely.

Your question in regard to the use of tea and coffee is difficult to answer since they affect people differently. To some they are stimulants and for that reason should be avoided. For those with weak digestion it is doubtful if they are desirable, especially with the use of milk, since there is a coagulation from the tannin in the articles in "Home & Flowers", and I am pleased to put you upon the milk which makes them difficult to digest. It is doubtful if either tea or coffee contains much nourishment.

As to the question of meat, there again, people differ. It seems to me it means a far different outlook seems to me, however, if one does not eat meat that one should be careful to secure from other foods the necessary amount of protein.

I am sorry I did not meet you, but hope to be more fortunate to supply the system with the quantity which it needs for energy and endurance. I have come to Ithaca again, which I hope you will do.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Milk and eggs do this to a great extent. Peas and beans likewise are helpful. There are some cereals which furnish a good amount of protein. There is a great deal of evidence that people who eat less meat and supply the same nourishment from other foods are in better condition than those who eat a good deal of meat.

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Very sincerely,

I note your question in regard to balanced meals, and we shall

Mrs. Armelia Colwell

Wellsburg, N.Y.

that subject in the March number of the Reading

My dear Mrs. Colwell:

I want to thank you for your good letter, and assure you that the articles in "Home & Flowers"; and am pleased to put you upon the mailing list for the Cornell Reading Course for farmers' wives.

I congratulate you upon the good work you are doing with the Junior Naturalist Club. It seems to me it means a far different outlook for children if they learn to love nature and to know it as well.

I am sorry I did not meet you, but hope to be more fortunate should you come to Ithaca again, which I hope you will do.

Very cordially,
Mrs. A. E. Hall
Dear Mrs. Bardwell

Mrs. J. S. Bardwell
Dear Whitney's Crossing, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bardwell:

Mrs. Everett G. Danforth
Jefferson, N. Y.

I notice in the answers to your letter that I have had your name on the card for the New Study. I am sure your boy will find interest in these questions which you have sent me. There are excellent suggestions contained in your letter. I note, however, the rush of work which seems to fall to the lot of many of us, and prevents the quiet evenings for reading which we so much desire. I suppose what should be done is to undertake less work and spend more time in self-improvement and rest. It is difficult for me to tell you how to get time to read and still do the work profitably. There is something wrong, however, about using all of one's time for work, and neglecting the other side of life. It is easy for me to say this, but very difficult to follow. You have made some excellent suggestions for reading, and I am glad to use them.

I note your question in regard to balanced meals, and we shall endeavor to touch that subject in the March number of the Reading Course.

I want to thank you for your good letter, and assure you that we shall always be glad to hear from you, as such letters are a great help in the work.

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Feb. 16, 1903.

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Very cordially,

Mrs. Everett G. Danforth
Feb. 16, 1903.
March 11, 1903

Dear Mrs. Bardwell:

I am very glad to send you the literature for farmers' wives which is furnished from Cornell University, and am placing it in the mail. I notice in the answers to your quiz a question regarding the time when one can read to children. Louisa M. Alcott's books. I believe it right to read to them as soon as they will comprehend enough of the story so that it may not prove wearisome to them. These stories have excellent literary value, are exceedingly interesting and are very healthy in their influence upon children. I remember as quite a young child, having them read to me, and while I did not fully comprehend them, still they made a great impression. I believe you can be governed best by the way in which the child receives the books. I wish we had more of such reading for children.

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. S. Bardwell

February 20, 1903.

Mr. Leonard Felix Baldwin, Pittsford, N. Y. City

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I have received your letter and in reply will say that so far as I know it will be quite convenient to come to Pittsford on some other day than Saturday. I suggested Saturday because it was your regular day. I will arrange to come on March 4th. If nothing unforeseen occurs it can be depended upon.

Very truly,

Mrs. J. S. Bardwell

February 16, 1903.

Mrs. A. F. Hall, Minerva, N. Y.

February 18, 1903.

Whitney's Crossing, N. Y.

February 20, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Hitchcock:

I received your letter of February 15th. The epidemic to which you refer is very serious, but I think possibly the newspaper reports outside of the city may be somewhat exaggerated. However, it is a sad and deplorable state of things. I remember as quite a young child, having them read to me, and while I did not fully comprehend them, still they made a great impression. I believe you can be governed best by the way in which the child receives the books. I wish we had more of such reading for children.

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. S. Bardwell

February 16, 1903.
Feb. 18, 1903.

Mrs. A. E. Hall
Miss M. Hitchcock
Ward, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Hall:

Dear Miss Hitchcock:

I am very glad to send you the literature for farmers' wives which is furnished from Cornell University, and am placing upon the mailing list for the Nature Study. I am very glad to send you herewith the names of several courses which I think are very desirable.

Very sincerely,

Very truly,

[Redacted]
Miss Florence M. Hitchcock
Kennedy, N. Y.

Dear Miss Hitchcock:

In reply to your letter I have had your name placed upon the mailing list for the Nature Study, and am very glad that you have written for them. I am sure you will find them of interest. There is no expense whatever, as they are connected with the Extension work of the University, and are free to people living within the state.

I also send you a sample copy of a little magazine in which some of us are interested, as that also contains nature study work.

The magazine is not connected with the University work, but is a private enterprise.

Very sincerely,

Miss Florence M. Hitchcock
Kennedy, N. Y.

Feb. 20, 1903.

Dear Mr. Dewey:

I am very glad to have you write for a Traveling Library, and I enclose per this letter. Unless you prefer to have them select the books, I will suggest that you have made up a library according to your own ideas and send on to them. Most of these women will not know what books they want, and it will be easier, and probably more satisfactory all around, if when they do not signify their desires, a library is made up for them. The enclosed circular will show you what we have promised them.

Very sincerely,
Feb. 20, 1903.

Miss Edith A. McIntyre
Manhattan, Kansas.

Dear Miss McIntyre:

Mrs. Mabel V. Scriber
Lumson, N. Y.

In reply to your request regarding the public line of domestic science, let me say that we have organized at Cornell University in connection with the Extension Library. It is sent out from the State Library at Albany, and under the conditions mentioned in our circular to our members. I will be very glad if you would like to have included in the library, will you please write me at once that I may ask for them. Otherwise there will be somewhat of a variety of books, but a part of them upon the subject of Domestic Science. After the request goes from us to the State Library your further arrangements will be made through them. They will receive the money, and will advise you how and when they may have governing the use of the library.

I hope you will get a great deal of pleasure out of this as well as much profit.

I am glad to have you write me in regard to the Traveling Library. Should you decide that you wish to have it, I will write the State Library at Albany, asking them to send you the number of books which you desire. On the enclosed circular you will notice the prices. When you write me please state how many books you wish to have, and if you have any choice in regard to the books themselves, please let me know. Otherwise the list will be made up at Albany.

I hope that this will be exceedingly profitable and pleasant for you, I am,

Very sincerely,

Feb. 20, 1903.

Mrs. Mabel V. Scriber

Albany, N. Y.

...this will be exceedingly profitable and pleasant for you, I am,

Very sincerely,
Feb. 20, 1903.
Miss Edith A. McIntyre
Manhattan, Kansas.

Dear Miss McIntyre:

In reply to your request regarding the publications along the line of domestic science, let me say that we have organized at Cornell University in connection with the Extension work, a Reading Course for Farmer's Wives. This is not intended to be technical, and yet we try to interest them in better home-making and in securing the means for contented, hopeful work upon the farm. I take pleasure in sending you our publications up to date, and am placing you upon our mailing list to receive them as they are prepared. In these studies when we are not held to a certain program. Very truly,

Feb. 24, 1903.

I am pleased with your answer to the question relating to the

Mrs. Jay S. Baker
Antwerp, N. Y.

rather simply theorize upon the objections and enjoy my bed as it is.

Feb. 24, 1903.

Of course it depends very much upon how a bed is taken care of.

I am glad to have you write me in regard to the

Traveling Library. Should you decide that you wish to have it, I

the charter. When your letter came I made inquiry, and am told

will write the State Library at Albany, asking them to send you the

number of books which you desire. On the enclosed circular you

will notice the prices. When you write me please state how many

books you wish to have, and if you have any choice in regard to the

books themselves, please let me know. Otherwise the list will be

made up at Albany.

Hoping that this will be exceedingly profitable and pleasant

for you, I am,

Very sincerely,
My dear Mrs. Kent:

The names will be enrolled and the literature sent by mail immediately. We will write you.

In reply to your question as to whether it would be practical to have the Mutual Help Club take up a course in United States history, let me say that I think it would be a fine thing. The subject in itself is exceedingly interesting, and one which we all need to keep fresh upon. Judging from my own experience, it is very difficult to keep up these studies when we are not held to a certain program. You can form a very interesting series of studies if you can be known more about it than most of us do. The flies which come on the United States history.

I am pleased with your answer to the question relating to the feather bed, as my own experience is the same as yours, and I would rather simply theorize upon the objections and enjoy my bed as it is. Of course, it depends very much upon how a bed is taken care of.

I am sorry that I have not been able to send you before this charter. While you were in New York I made inquiry, and am told that the charter is already to be printed, as the cuts have been made. We will now hurry this up and try to have you have ours soon. I have been away from the office much of late on account of sickness, and our work is somewhat behind. In referring her letter to you on that account.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,

Very truly
Mr. S. N. Ward

Mrs. Mrs. C. E. Harrison
E. Ellicottville, N. Y.

Feb. 24, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Harrison:

I am very glad indeed to hear that you have

formed a club for the work of the Woman's Reading Course and for the Farmers! Reading Course. The names will be enrolled and the literature sent immediately. We

are very glad to be in touch with your work, and hope that there is anything we can do to make your sessions profitable to you.

There are several hundred members, and I will ask the

individual members, that you will not hesitate to call upon me for

assistance. It certainly belongs in a Buffalo office. I do not

know you all, and I make me proud of the Hanover Farmers' Club.

I am referring your letter regarding the flies to our entomologist, Prof. Slingerland, as this is his special line of work and

I hope he knows more about it than most of us do. The flies which come

after Sept. 1st are usually the hardest ones to get along with. I

hope Prof. Slingerland can give you some assistance on the subject.

Very cordially,

Feb. 24, 1903.

Mr. W. C. James.

Mr. N. W. James.

Feb. 25, 1903.

Dear Professor Slingerland:

I enclose herewith a letter, and since

I do not know all about flies I would be glad to have you answer.

I have written the lady that you knew more about this subject than

the rest of us do, and that I am referring her letter to you on

that account.

Very sincerely,

Very truly,
Mr. G. W. Card
E. Blooming Grove, N. Y.

Feb. 24, 1903.

Mrs. J. M. J. Sackett
F. Blooming Grove, N. Y.

Dear My dear Mrs. Sackett:

I find that I can leave here Wednesday morning and
regard two applications for current topics let me read a club for the work of the Reading Course, and I am placing me at a few of the names which you have sent me upon the mailing list. I hope you will write us freely whenever we can be of any assistance.

I want to congratulate your club upon the fine program which they have issued, both as to its artistic make-up and the work which it presents. It certainly means a very profitable year's work for you, and it makes me proud of the Hanover Farmers' Club.

Very cordially,

Mar. 8, 1903.

Mr. W. F. Humprey
Mrs. George H. H., W. Y.

Feb. 25, 1903.

Dear Mr. Humprey:

I am wondering in regard to the February lesson of the Women's Reading Courses. The manuscript was to have been sent in sending you the lessons of the Women's Reading were included. There should be in the first of the month. It occurs to me that I have not seen the first proof, and will you kindly advise at what stage it is a dozen of Lesson No. 1 of that work is ready, please let me know, if it is now. Since the course began, the woman’s course should be advanced so as to be able to write to you.

Very truly,

received. This insures greater promptness and prevents mistakes in mailing. I hope that you will find the lessons of interest and profit in the Grange. We are very glad to be in touch with your work, and hope you will write us at any time when we can be of any
Feb. 25, 1903.

Mr. G. N. Card
Pittsford, N. Y.

Mrs. Ida M. Bailey
E. Bloomfield, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Bailey:—

I find that I can leave here Wednesday morning and reach Pittsford Wednesday afternoon. Regarding the publication for current topics let me say that the "Outlook" seems to me as desirable a paper for current topics as any I know of, if one wishes to get a discussion of the news of the day without having to read so much besides. I have not seen the "Educator" for some time, but it may still be published. There are papers prepared for work in schools, and I will ask to have some sample copies sent you from a Buffalo office. I do not know the publishers nor the names of the papers well enough to give you the information regarding these that you wish.

I like the way you are answering your quizzes, and am glad to note your interest in the work.

Mrs. Bellaline V. Scriber

Feb. 25, 1903.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Geo. Chamberlain
Westville, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Chamberlain,—In sending for the books to return the application blank to the Stream Society, N. Y., together with your fee of one dollar, of the Women's Reading Course for the Grange, your request was overlooked until just recently. I send the lesson of the Women's Reading Course for the blank the lessons will be sent, direct to those whose names we have received. This insures greater promptness and prevents mistakes in mailing. I hope that you will find the lessons of interest and profit in the Grange. We are very glad to be in touch with your work, and hope you will write us at any time when we can be of any
Mar. 3, 1903.

Mr. G. W. Card
Pittsford, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Card:

I find that I can leave here Wednesday morning and reach Pittsford at 10:30 A.M. After your very careful directions I shall have no trouble, and shall look forward with pleasure to my stay among you. I received the notice of the meeting. Very sincerely,

I have received your letter and assure you that I had not forgotten our former correspondence. We have no booklets on the subject of Home Institutes, and I am wondering just what you have in mind. I do not know of anything that is published upon that subject except in the report of the Home Economic Conference held at Lake Placid last Fall.

Mrs. Habelle V. Scriber
Lansop, N. Y.

I have no doubt your meeting was a success.

Dear Mrs. Scriber:

I enclose herewith an application for a Traveling Library, together with a list of books which the State Library proposes to send for your use, providing it is satisfactory to you.

It will be necessary in sending for the books to return the application blank to the State Library, Albany, N. Y.; together with your fee of one dollar, and the list which is here inclosed. Should there be anything further regarding this that is not definite, or which hinders your securing the books, please let me know, if it is anything which I can assist in regard to.

Hoping that this will afford your members a great deal of pleasure and profit, I am,

Very cordially,

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My dear Mrs. Lyon:

I have received your letter and assure you that I had not forgotten our former correspondence. We have no booklets on the subject of Home Institutes, and I am wondering just what you have in mind. I do not know of anything that is published upon that subject except in the report of the Home Economic Conference held at Lake Placid last fall.

I am glad to note that you are busy in your line of work, and I have no doubt your meeting was a success.

I want to thank you for your kind invitation to visit you when in New York. I do not come often, and generally stop only long enough to pay a little visit to my brother who resides there. However, should opportunity offer itself, I should be pleased to call upon you.

Wishing you continued success, I am,

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensselaer
Mar. 6, 1903.

Miss Myrtle J. Mary
Albany, N.Y.

Mrs. Gabriel B. Clendena
Westchester, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Clendena:

I am forwarding the application and

to the Henry Seven, and you will no doubt know from their letter,

Mrs. Alice Elizabeth Rumple
62 Florida Ave., Summit, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Rumple:

I am pleased to know that your women have

sent me a list of names which you have sent me, and in ad-

placed upon this list these names which you have sent me, and in ad-

forwarded to you an copy of the letter on gardening, in-

noted that they did not receive their copies. I am having

one or more of the names which you have sent me, and in ad-

foreworded to you an copy of the letter on gardening, in-

be chosen for the garden, as I have not space for the in-

considerable help, although it might not pay his

sends. For stenography or clerical work I think more is allowed,

will you please send to Mrs. Ida B. Bailey, E. Atlantic

field, N. Y., sample copies of whatever you may consider useful.

I would suggest that he send his application

field for work to the Young Men's Christian Association, Cornell

University. It will be given due attention, and if anything is to

be had, this is a good way to secure it. I would be glad to have

a copy of good papers for this purpose, and I shall appreciate

in having her find out what is desirable.

I assure you it would be a great pleasure to do so. It is just

very truly,

Miss Rumple.

this class of boys that I like to see prosper, and if I can ever

add to their chances, I am pleased to do so.

Very cordially,

Martha W. Rumple.

Miss Rumple.

Mr. W. Rumple.

Martha W. Rumple.
Miss Myrtilla Avery
Albany, N. Y.

Mrs. Galadiah G. Clendening,
Westchester, N. Y. City.

My dear Mrs. Clendening:

I am forwarding the application and list of books to the Happy Seven, and you will no doubt hear from them soon. I am pleased to know that your women have been interested in the lessons of the Women's Reading Course and am sorry that all of them did not receive their copies. I am hoping when inquiry is made here, I may send an application blanks. I know very little placed upon the list those names which you have sent me, and in addition am sending you a few copies of the lessons on gardening, in order that you may have copies to distribute, should all not be promptly applications. I cannot account for the five other members provided with them.

Let me know in any way that I can serve your interest in this work and hope to see you, and if so it will be a great pleasure.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,

Martha Van Suspension

Messrs. Fall & Bacon
Mooney-Bristone Building,
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Sirs:

Will you please send to Mrs. Ida M. Bailey, E. Bloomfield, N. Y. sample copies of whatever you may consider desirable for one to read to get current events without reading everything in the newspapers and magazines. She was asked if the "Educator" is still published. I have told her I would have sent to her sample copies of good papers for this purpose, and I shall appreciate your assistance in having her find out what is desirable.

Very truly,

Martha Van Suspension

Mar. 6, 1903.

Mar. 6, 1903.
Miss Myrtille Avery
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Miss Averill E. Cleveland
Le Roy, N. Y.

I am forwarding the application and list of books to the Happy Seven, and you will no doubt hear from them soon. I want to thank you for your cordial letter, which I neglected to send before, and assure you that I shall try to call upon you when I am in Le Roy, fore. I wonder if you could send me some applications, so that which I think will be the 12th of this month. I know very little when inquiry is made here I may send an application blank to be filled about the plan for uniting with the State Federation, but would not out and forwarded to you. This arrangement will be a boon to your surprise if it were a good move, although I am not capable of farmers' wives, and as time goes on I think there will be a good judging without any more information than I have upon the subject. many applications. I cannot account for the five other members it would surely be very pleasant to be with you the 16th, but I am in the Happy Seven, but doubtless it is only the charter members afraid it would be quite impossible to make the second trip so soon. who can reach that happy state, and the others must be as happy as hoping to see you, I amc.t itself, it will be a great pleasure they can.

Assure you. We have cordially taken from the movement in Canada for better homes. It is very good of you to interest yourself in these movements along with others. I think that it consumes a good deal of time, but after all, it is very wise, to confine ourselves to our own special lines too much,

Enclosure.

I am glad to place the names which you have sent me upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and I am also glad to know that you are interested in the course. In answer to your question regarding a talk at Varna, let me say that I can go some evening which may be agreed upon, should you desire it. There would be no expense connected with it. It would have to be sometime after next week, as I have already made appointments for that time.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Mar. 7, 1903.
Mar. 7, 1903.

Mrs. Frances P. Cleveland
Le Roy, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Cleveland:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter, and assure you that I shall try to call upon you when I am in Le Roy, which I think will be the 12th of this month. I know very little about the plan for uniting with the State Federation, but would not be surprised if it were a good move, although I am not capable of judging without any more information than I have upon the subject.

It would surely be very pleasant to be with you the 16th, but I am afraid it would be quite impossible to make the second trip so soon. Hoping to see you, I am, 

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mar. 7, 1903.

I am glad to place the names which you have sent me upon the mailing list for the Women's Reading Course, and I am also glad to know that you are interested in the course.

In answer to your question regarding a talk at Varna, let me say that I can go some evening which may be agreed upon, should you desire it. There would be no expense connected with it. It would have to be sometime after next week, as I have already made appointments for that time.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
other benefits for the amount received.

I am pleased that you like "Boys & Girls." We are making a

sort of a gasping struggle for breath, because we are such busy
people that we haven't time to push as such an enterprise requires.

We have decided recently to spend a month in trying to secure the
Mrs. Minnie Jean Nisbet
subs. 125 W. Main St. adventuring, and be governed by our success in de-
Hamilton, Ontario.

ciding whether we will go on. As per your request I take pleasure
My dear Mrs. Nisbet:

I want to thank you for your letters, one of
your kindness in distributing them,
which has just reached me, regarding Mrs. Larned's visit. Mrs.
I am placing your name upon the subscription list for the
Larned is a very charming woman, and I am glad she has had an oppor-
present year, and hope that our little magazine will continue to
unity to meet our Canadian friends.
meet with your approval.

No definite arrangement has been made for me to come to Ontario
but should the opportunity present itself, it will be a great pleas-
ure, I assure you. We have much to learn from the movement in
Canada for better homes. It is very good of you to interest your-
self in these movements along with so much other work. I often
think that it consumes a good deal of time, but after all, it is
Mrs. Wm. A. Carr
very unwise, I am afraid, to confine ourselves to our own special lines too much,
and I have gained much inspiration from interesting myself in clubs
and other organizations.

A letter dated Feb. 20th from some one at
Anvers I hope you have entirely recovered from the serious exposure
which you another which you wrote me about in your previous letter.

I do not have asked in regard to the benefits to be derived by in-
dividual clubs from federation. It seems to me it is based upon
the principle that we gain most by giving most, and are much better
to be, in touch with others than to be secluded. A club gets into
touch with other clubs and gains the benefit of their ideas and
plans. In literary work especially there is a large incentive in
being associated with others. The social element, too, is an im-
portant one, and I do not know but that it compares favorably with

Mar. 10, 1903.
other benefits for the amount received.

I am pleased that you like "Boys & Girls." We are making a sort of a surprising struggle for breath, because we are such busy people that we haven't time to push as such an enterprise requires. We have decided recently to spend a month in trying to secure the subscriptions and advertising, and to govern by our success in deciding whether we will go on. As per your request I take pleasure in sending copies to you, and want to thank you very cordially for your kindness in distributing them.

I am placing your name upon the subscription list for the present year, and hope that our little magazine will continue to meet with your approval.

Yours very cordially,

Mr. Frank C. Patchin
News Editor, "Post Express"
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Wm. A. Carr:

My dear Mrs. Carr:

I received a letter dated Feb. 20th from some one at Antwerp inquiring about the traveling library. Through some carelessness on my part the second page of the letter is missing; and I do not know the writer because this page gives the signature. As I find your name on the mailing list, may I trouble you to write me if you are the writer of the letter. I am very sorry that this has occurred. I want to answer the questions contained in the letter regarding the traveling library.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Frances P. Cleveland  

My dear Mrs. Cleveland:

My dear Mrs. Cleveland is planning to leave Ithaca Thursday morning on the 7:30 train. I shall want to thank you for the copy of the Year Book for the Women's Club of Le Roy, but will not be able to reply to your letter of the 9th inst., addressed to President Schuman, as Editor of the Cornell course of Cornell University, that I shall be happy to have extended. There has been a great deal of work, and I have not had an opportunity to try these recipes, as I wished to do before sending them to you, but hope you will find them all right.

Very sincerely,

Mr. Frank G. Patchin  
News Editor, "Post Express"  
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry to have delayed so long an answer to your letter of Feb. 4th, but I enclose hereewith a recipe for salt rising bread and one for Johnny cake, which was furnished by one of our farmers' wives. I have not had an opportunity to try these recipes, as I wished to do before sending them to you, but hope you will find them all right.

Very truly yours,

Mar. 10, 1903.
Mr. Geo. T. Ward
Pittsford, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Rogerson:

Dear Mr. Ward:

I am planning to leave Ithaca Thursday morning on the 7:30 train. I do not know just what time I shall reach Le Roy, but will find you after my arrival.

Very cordially,

I was greatly impressed with the standard which your grange has for activity and excellent work. It is a great satisfaction to meet organizations of this kind, where there is earnest work and progress as was evidenced in the Pittsford Grange. It was certainly a pleasure to me to be there; and I hope that the relations between your grange and Cornell University will continue as pleasantly as

Mr. Frank G. Patchin
News Editor, "Post Express"
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 9th inst. addressed to President Schurman has been referred to me, and in reply let me say, as Editor of the Women's Reading Course of Cornell University, that I shall be very glad to send you any information which you may desire concerning the course offered to farmers' wives.

Under separate cover I send you a package containing the leaflets which have been already printed. There will be two more this year University for farmers' wives. Our work is quite free, and

Very truly yours,

If it is of value to others we are glad to have it extended. Therefore there will be no objection to your having printed in the new paper anything pertaining to the course or any part of the lessons.

In fact, it will help us to reach the farmers' wives, as we desire.

It seems to be that it must have been exceedingly hard. I wish you success in the new work, I am.

Very truly yours,
Mr. Geo. T. Ward
Pittsford, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Ward:

I have received the copy of the resolutions passed by the Pittsford Grange. Certainly this action is very cordial and kind, and it has my sincere appreciation.

I was greatly impressed with the standard which your grange seeks for activity and excellent work. It is a great satisfaction to meet organizations of this kind, where there is earnest work and progress as was evidenced in the Pittsford Grange. It was certainly a pleasure to meet them, and I hope that the relations between your grange and Cornell University will continue as pleasantly as they have begun, in what you say in regard to your son, and to the conditions in Ithaca. Very sincerely, without doubt, and I think the city has much to be ashamed of, but I want to correct what I seem to think is an unexpressed regard to the University.

Mar. 16, 1903.

Very truly yours,
is much brighter and many are returning to their work. I should mention by your answer to question no. 11 in the Marcellus y.m. y.m., and if I can do anything for his welfare or the welfare of the town, that you are troubled with the pipes failing in the basement, you may call me. I was out of town when I heard from the dear about the fire of reasoning. As this is probably the best of it.

In reply to your letter I am having the error corrected in regard to the Langand for Mr. Warner. I am sorry that there was any mistake about the sending him. We very much appreciate those of you who have to write. Our home Miss, need to know as much about household affairs as another woman, so that has not been the reason for him not having these lessons.

I am interested in what you write in regard to your son, and to the conditions in Ithaca. They are bad without doubt, and I think the city has much to be ashamed of, but I want to correct what I think is an error, namely so to the University. The responsibility of knowing these conditions and of taking care of them remained with the Board of Health and with the Water Company. The University has not as has been published, stock in this company, but they owned bonds, and this, however, did not give them a voice in matters pertaining to the management of the water supply as has been indicated in the press. I am not at all surprised. It depends much more on the weather conditions and the condition of the water, although there are many puddings that are just as good as food. However, the sanitation is making progress in the food question, although I believe they will do something short of having a great municipal house-cleaning and securing without any question, pure safe water for everyone. I have not heard very sorry indeed for the friends whose children are here. It seems to me that it must have been exceedingly hard, knowing that they are in danger. However, the outlook...
Mrs. James M. Stone
Fredonia, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Patterson:

My dear Mrs. Stone: is much brighter, and many are returning to their work. I should like to meet your son, and if I can do anything for his welfare or the quiz on gardening, that you are troubled with the plums falling while he is here, I hope I may have the opportunity to help you. From the tree about the time of ripening. As this is probably the plum curculio, I am sending you under separate cover Bulletin No. 156 crowded one of your questions regarding a balanced ration, I shall and I hope you will find it that the treatment which will aid you to try to answer in the lesson which I am now preparing. It is a very difficult thing for a woman to provide this where there is such a difference in individuals and in their occupations, but all should have a certain amount of protein, carbohydrates and fats. Occupation and temperament will determine the proportion to a great extent.

In regard to the question of fruit, it seems to me it is a safe indulgence when one eats it in a proper state. It causes trouble, however, when it is taken in an unripe form or, in some cases, uncooked, although of course many fruits are better uncooked than cooked. The reason puddings, biscuit and cake are hard to digest, is because they are made rich by shortening and sweetening. Butter and sugar are both good elements in food, but in combination, as in puddings, cake, etc. they often are quite indigestible. It depends to a great extent to a person's condition. There are many puddings which are extremely wholesome and more so than much other food. We all of us have much to learn yet upon the food question, although we have been eating all our lives. However, scientists are making investigations which will help us.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
March 17, 1903,

Mrs. James M. Stone
Fredonia, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Stone:

I have considered the request which you have made over the telephone, and wish to give you a favorable answer to question No. 11 in the quiz on gardening, that you are troubled with the plums falling from the trees about the time of ripening. I am obliged to say that I cannot do it because I am already crowded with work, and as my time is largely devoted to the extension department of the university, I do not feel justified in taking any work which would cause me to neglect it.

Your answers to the quiz indicate that you are doing good work in gardening, and you have offered some excellent suggestions.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

March 17, 1903,

Mrs. J. W. Dickerson
Manlius, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Dickerson:

I notice in your quiz that you mention a difficulty in gardening on account of a small maggot which bores into the vines below the ground. I find that we have nothing in our experiment bulletins which treat on this subject, but if you have the book of recipes sent with it, will you kindly look it over, and write to the Geneva Station, they will send you one which they have printed on the pests which affect the cucumbers and squashes.

I do not know the name of the bulletin.

Hoping that this pest will not cause you much difficulty this spring, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]
Dear Mrs. Patterson:

I have considered the request which you have made over the telephone, and wish I might give you a favorable answer, as I am much interested in the line of work which you mentioned. However, I am obliged to say that I cannot do it because I am already crowded with work, and as my time is largely to be devoted to the work in the Extension Department of the University, I do not feel justified in taking on any work which would cause me to neglect it, as this certainly would. I appreciate the honor conferred in requesting me to take the position, and hope that the executive committee will have no trouble in securing some one else.

Very cordially,

Mar. 17, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I want to thank you for your explanation regarding the Pleasant Valley Farmers' Club. I am just sending over the amount that was due, and I hope you will find the last payment very satisfactory.

Mar. 17, 1903.

Dear Mr. Banks:

I recently bought a bread making machine of you, and have lost the book of recipes sent with it. Will you kindly send me another?

Very truly,

Mar. 17, 1903.
Mrs. C. E. Breckon
Clarence, N. Y.
Mr. S. Edwin Banks

My Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Banks:

I want to thank you for your kind letter of Mar. 19th regarding the enclosed two checks—one for $80, made to Prof. De Campo, and another for $72.72. The two combined make the amount required is $100, on principal and $72.72 interest. We have As Prof. De Campo had made out his to who may $50 before left the city. I have made them for the balance and mailing amounts, and upon his return, I will settle with him. I am situated in a way to make a thank you for your attention to this matter in determining the amounts due, and I hope you may find some pleasure in them. After all, one must always remember that working too hard is unprofitable, and it is due all concerned that a certain amount of rest.

Mrs. D. L. Davis
Salt Point, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I send you the leaflets for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I want to thank you for your explanation regarding the Pleasant Valley Farmers' Club. I am just sending you your charter, and regret very much that it has been necessary to delay it.

Membrae. Hochschild Bros.
Ithaca, N. Y.

All the records that are necessary, I hope you will find the leaflets very profitable, and if we can assist you in any way, we shall be very happy.

My note for $145.15 is due you Mar. 23d. Owing to usual circumstances during the past month, it would be a great favor to me to renew the note for another month. If you prefer, I will arrange to pay $45.15; and will renew the note for $100, or it satisfies to let us on the names of those to whom you have been grateful.

I will have the new note made for the entire amount. I should be glad to rectify the error. I regret that I have to make this request, and shall be very grateful to you for your consideration of it.

Yours sincerely,

Very truly,
Mrs. C. E. Breckon  
Clarence, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Breckon:—

I want to thank you for your kind letter of March 15th regarding the Women’s Reading Course. It often occurs that circumstances are not right for carrying on a work of this kind to any great extent, and we do not urge it in the least. We are glad indeed to send the leaflets to any who may enjoy them, whether the work is carried on to the extent of answering the quizzes, forming a club, or not. Certainly you are situated in a way to make it difficult to do this, and it is all right. We are glad to send you the leaflets, and hope you may find some pleasure in them. After all, one must always remember that working too hard is unprofitable, and it is due all concerned that a certain amount of rest be taken. Very cordially,

Mrs. D. L. Davis  
Salt Point, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Davis:—I send you the leaflets for the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course, and hope you will be very happy in your work, and regret very much that it has been necessary to delay it. It is not necessary to send another list of names, as we now have all the records that are necessary. I hope you will find the lessons very profitable, and if we can assist you in any way at any time, please be free to write. All members of your club should have all of the lessons, and I do not understand why they have not. If it is not too much trouble to let us no the names of those who have not had them, we should be glad to rectify the error.

Yours sincerely,
Mar. 26, 1903.

My dear Sir:

Mrs. C. W. Locke:— Prof. De Garmo's absence your letter has been referred to this department for a reply. Were Prof. Bailey or Prof. Craig in the city they would probably be able to give you a better answer to your attention to me to have you give your attention to the description of the Extension Department than I, but as they will have written, and pleased that you are finding some time for reading not be here for several days, I send you literature which I think along our lines. You and your husband are doing a noble work, and will give you light upon the subject, and if questions arise in your the country is very dependent upon the farmers who are striving to mind concerning the work, I shall be glad to answer them, or refer make the most out of their surroundings. It means hard work and them to some one who can. I send you a full set of our publica- a struggle to conquer the difficulties which present themselves. After all, one must always remember that working too hard is unprof-
it able, and it is due all concerned that a certain amount of rest be taken.

We are glad to send you the leaflets for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and hope that you will find them profitable. Should anything occur to you about which you would like to write, I hope you will be very free to do so.

Mr. J. B. Longworth,
Cascadilla Place,

You will have constant comfort in your children, and I hope the little eight year old will be her mother's constant helper.

He has the right idea of nature, I know, from the picture of the robin which is singing so lustily. I send you the Nature Study leaflets for her. After a time she will enjoy reading them.

Your letter is not too long. It is just the kind we like to receive.

Very cordially,

Very truly,

[Signature]

[Address]

[Address]
Mar. 27, 1903.

Mr. J. T. Parson
8ascendilla Place,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Parson:-

I send under separate cover a few copies of charter, which will you kindly letter according to the enclosed slip, and return to No. 17, Morrill Hall, in my care, or if more convenient, you may mail them to me at 811 E. State St., and charge to the Extension Department of the College of Agriculture.

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Very truly yours,

Mar. 27, 1903.
Mrs. J. E. Kinne
Woodard, N. Y.

[Signature]

Mar. 26, 1903.

Dr. C. F. Langworthy:— I am sending you copy of Lesson No. 3 of the
Washington, D. C.

I want to thank you for your letter in regard

Dear Dr. Langworthy:— to the subjects connected with the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course.

Again I am to trouble you, a task which will

You have made some excellent points in this letter which will be a

be a great satisfaction to me to have you give your attention to,

great help to our work, and I appreciate the care with which you

if you are not too busy. We have to give our farmers' wives some-
have written. I assure you that a very interesting part of this

thing on the food question occasionally. As I am not a specialist

in this line, I very much desire that you will look over my manu-

script and determine whether there are any errors in it. Your

I trust that the Reading Course is affording you much pleasure,
corrections and suggestions will be very gratefully received and
and perhaps some profit.

give me a great deal of satisfaction, since I shall know then that

Wishing you pleasure in your work, I am,

there is safety in sending out the lesson.

Cordially,

I wish I might reciprocate the favor, and should an opportunity

present itself, I shall be greatly pleased.

Very truly,

Mr. C. B. Douglass
Trumansburg, N. Y.

[Signature]

Mar. 28, 1903.

Dear Sir:—

In the Extension Department of the University, under which
Cornell Livery

I was at Ithaca, N. Y., it was necessary in order to have our expense account approved.

Dear Sir's receipt for livery bills. I did not find it convenient to

It is customary in the Extension Department of the Un-

draw a check to have my man take me to the Waterburg

versity to require a receipt for livery bills, in order to have our

enclosed receipt, I am also included in the expense accounts approved. I will be very greatly obliged to you

If you will sign the enclosed receipt, and return to me:

Thanking you I am this courtesy, I am

Very truly,
Mar. 28, 1903.

Mrs. J. E. Kinne
Woodard, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Woodard:—I am sending you copy of Lesson No. 9 of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course.

I want to thank you for your letter in regard to the subjects connected with the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. You have made some excellent points in this letter which will be a great help in our work, and I appreciate the care with which you have written. I assure you that a very interesting part of this work is in the letters which we receive from our readers. It is not only interesting, but very helpful to us.

I trust that the Reading Course is affording you much pleasure, and perhaps some profit.

Wishing you pleasure in your work, I am,

Very cordially,

Mr. C. E. Douglass
Trumansburg, N. Y.

Dear Sir:—

Mr. C. E. Douglass
Trumansburg, N. Y.

In the Extension Department of the University, under which I work, it is necessary in order to have our expense account approved, to furnish a receipt for livery bills. I did not find it convenient to get this the night that your man took me to the Waterbury Grange without asking him to leave his horse and go in some where and write it out. I preferred therefore, to ask you to sign the enclosed receipt and return it to me.

Thanking you for this courtesy, I am

Very truly,

Apr. 7, 1903.
My dear Commissioner:

R. T. Parsons
148 Broadway, New York

I am sending you copy of Lesson No. 9 of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, thinking possibly it may be of some benefit to you. We feel at this department, anxious to do anything for the benefit of the rural school that is within our power and jurisdiction. You did the right thing in not trying to plan this special leaflet sent Lesson No. 9 in a quiet way, and may have already reached you by this time. You will still receive this year No. 8. It will soon be time when Jearl, and their families are much occupied with out door work, and reading will not be as convenient as during the winter.

Hoping that as the spring comes your health will be better.

Very sincerely,

J. H. Swift

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

to your request, let me say that Cornell University has no Domestics. I am told that Lesson No. 9 of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course has not been received at this Department. Will you please look it up and see if it has been shipped as we would like to send these those whom names are on our list.

Thanking you, Truly,

Very truly,

J. H. Swift
My dear Commissionaire,

24 Pearl St., Amsterdam, N. Y.

I am sending you copy of Lesson No. 9 of the Farmers' Wives Reading Course, thinking possibly it may interest you. We feel at this department, anxious to do anything for the benefit of the rural school that is within our power and jurisdiction. We feel that the Farmers' Wives can be of some benefit in improving the rural school, and will you kindly write us if there is anything which suggests itself to you wherein we can render any further assistance. Should there be women within your district to whom you would like to have the Farmers' Wives Reading Course sent, be kind enough to send the names and addresses. Should there be rural teachers to whom you would like to have this special leaflet sent, we would be glad to send a copy to any whose names you may send us.

Wishing you success in your work, I am,

Very sincerely,

T. Parsons

Mr. J. T. Parsons,
143 Comandilla Place,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Mr. Robert Washburn
200 Euclid Ave.,
Atlanta, Ga. I omitted to send the charts when I wrote you of knowing what pollens were. She is doing her Nature Study work very well. My sympathy in her district, since her predecessor had the sympathy of the patrons, she will appreciate the advice I send literature pertaining to the Women's Reading Course, which is connected with the Extension Department of the University. to whom I have asked to have sent to you a catalogue.

Thanking you, I am,
Very truly,

They have a Junior Naturalist Club, and they think Uncle John is the best specimen they have heard of.

Very sincerely,
Mr. Mrs. Mary Quadrato White
24 Beacon St., Amsterdam, N. Y.

Dear dear Mrs. White:

You did the right thing in not trying to plan
for your visit to Amsterdam, since the time was so short. I merely
noticed that I should have a day about that time, and thought best
to let you know about it, in case it also met your convenience.

The expense of a trip, should it be taken later, will be met by the
Extension Department of this University, but it is desirable to ar-
range for other appointments at the same time, in order to make as
much out of the time and expenditure as possible.

Wishing you much success in your work, I am,

Very cordially,

April 7, 1903.

Mr. J. T. Parsons,
142 Cascadilla Place,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Parsons:

I omitted to send the charters when I wrote you
recently, as I did it when I was leaving the city and was very busy.

I do not know just how many names I sent, but I leave a sufficient
number of the charters on my desk in No. 17 Morrill Hall. I shall
be away from home until Thursday evening.

I am sorry that I occasioned you the inconvenience of calling
to determine regarding the missing charters.

Thanking you, I am,

little flower that she and her pupils wish they knew the name of.

Very truly,

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the best specimen they have heard of.

Very sincerely,

April 7, 1903.
Miss Nettie A. Moore
Morganville, N. Y.

Dear Miss Moore:

I am sending you some pamphlets upon rural school improvements and hope that you will find something which will be of benefit to you.

I wish also to call your attention to an article on Page 5 of a magazine called "Songs & Girls" for which I am sending you a sample. May I give you some suggestions? This will answer your letter better than anything that I know. If I fill write me. We find the work exceedingly interesting. I am pleased and know that you are interested in improving the school grounds now. This almost commendable undertaking, and you certainly ought to have much enthusiasm and help you. You may, however, be interested to see the magazine anyway. I do not know whether we shall succeed in making it pay for itself, as we desire, but if we do, it will be a regular publication.

Miss Susie Davis, Saugerties, N. Y., is desirous of knowing what polliwogs eat. She is doing her Nature Study work without any sympathy in her district, since her predecessor had the pupils handle black spiders, and the spiders are still running through the minds of the patrons. She will appreciate the advice and sympathy from you. She wishes the Nature Study leaflets.

Miss Minnie W. Terwilliger, High Falls, N. Y., is the lady who sent you the box of flowers. I have nestled in the cotton a little flower that she and her pupils wish they knew the name of. They have a Junior Naturalist Club, and they think Uncle John is the best specimen they have heard of.

Very sincerely,
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I send you a list of members which you sent to me, and if you find that there are others to be placed upon the list, or addresses to be changed, will you when convenient return it to me with such corrections? I am sorry that we have omitted any. I send you the extra copies which you desire.

Very cordially,

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Salt Point, N. Y.

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Very cordially,

Mr. Melvil Dewey
State Library,
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Dewey:

I send the enclosure which I omitted last week.

I have to confess to carelessness in the matter.

Your suggestion regarding the library on sociology is an excellent one, and I will write you again after meeting the members of the Executive Council, Saturday, Apr. 18th.

Very sincerely,
My dear Mrs. York:—

My dear Miss Hall:—

I appreciate your very kind letter sent in reply to mine. I was much interested to know that the mothers had met at the school, and I believe there are many in that sort of cooperation. Lessons have interested you, and you will doubtless reach home before I return.

I shall be glad to send any literature which we have, and will send you Sunday night for New York, will attend four institutions, and on Saturday a meeting of the Executive Council of the W. N. Y. Federation. There will be reports from various membership in Buffalo, and return home Saturday evening.

I hope you have had a pleasant trip, and are feeling much benefited by it. We shall be glad to see you back.

There are only two things which I need to call your attention to, and they are contained in a couple of letters which I have not answered. I do not know about the bound volumes suggested to be sent in Lesson No. 8 to the farmers’ wives. Mrs. Hawley, you see, desires one.

Proofs of your work have been examined and returned to Mr. Humphrey, unless it is the last one you mentioned. I have written him that I thought I had not examined it, and asked him to look it up to see if it had been returned. He has not yet replied.

I have received a copy of your newspaper containing a notice of the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading Course, and I wish to thank you for the same. It is a very helpful thing to us to have these notices appear because the newspaper certainly goes into the farm much about it until June. I also send you the program which was used by the farmers last year in their section of domestic science.

Thanking you, I am, Very truly,

Should you wish anything more I should be glad to communicate with you later, when I may be able to offer more help.
Mrs. Arzelia G. York  
West Perryburg, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. York:—

I appreciate your very kind letter sent in re-

lation to the Women's Reading Course. I am glad to know that these

had met at the school, for I believe in that sort of cooperation.

lessons have interested you, and that you feel that we are trying

I shall be glad to send any literature which we have which will be
to do a good work.

You are to be congratulated upon your sons, and I hope the

forwarded, they will receive the copies very soon. I am sending

ambitions of the boy who visited Cornell may be realized in his be-
you several extra copies and suggestions for organizing a club to

able to come for a long course sometime. It is good for him

hoping that you may find in this something which will aid you

to have something to work toward, and he will no doubt be successful.

in planning for the work in your vicinity. I am of the foremost

workers in the Nature Study. He is a great lover of children.

I am glad to know that you are interested in

Wives' Reading Course, and thank you for the news you have sent.

There was no name signed to your letter, but I judge it is

Editor,"Rome Daily Sentinel",  
Rome, N. Y.

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Thanking you, I am,

Very truly,

Should you wish anything more I should be glad to communicate

with you later, when I may be able to offer more help.
Apr. 20, 1903.

Mrs. Elbert W. Rockwood
Iowa City, Iowa.

Miss Ellen R. Hall
West Perrysburg, N. Y.

My dear Miss Hall:

I was much interested to know that the mothers had met at the school, for I believe in that sort of cooperation. I shall be glad to send any literature which we have which will be of aid in your work, and I thank you for the names which you have forwarded: They will receive the copies very soon. I am sending you several extra copies and suggestions for organizing a club. Hoping that you may find in this something which will aid you in planning for the work in your community. Uncle John is one of the foremost workers in the Nature Study Department of Cornell University. His personality has lent a very large amount of interest to child-life in the study of nature. He is a great lover of children.

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and thank you for the names you have sent.

There was no name signed to your letter, but I judge it is.

Mrs. W. M. Smallwood
Warsaw, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Smallwood:

I am sending you what little we have that may be of benefit to you in forming a program for club work along the lines of domestic science. I intend to work this summer on a plan for that kind of study, but shall probably not be able to do much about it until June. I also send you the program which was used by the Ithaca Women's Club last year in their section of domestic science.

Very cordially,

Should you wish anything more I should be glad to communicate with you later, when I may be able to offer more help.
Dear Mrs. Rockwood:

Apr. 20, 1903.

Under separate cover I am sending you printed Mrs. E. F. Hosmer to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course of the Extension Department of Cornell University, together with a pamphlet showing the Extension work. Should you wish anything further regarding it in reply to your letter, I am sending you the Nature Study for children, and if you wish more of this material, or wish it sent to anyone else you may send me the names, or send to the Nature Study Department, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., 1903.

Uncle John is Mr. John Spencer, who is one of the foremost workers in the Nature Study Department of Cornell University. His personality has lent a very large amount of interest to child-life in the study of nature. He is a great lover of children.

I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and thank you for the names you have sent.

There was no name signed to your letter; but I judge it is from you, from the card or the envelope. I hope I am not mistaken.

Perhaps you will be interested in the accompanying copy of "Boys & Girls." We are hoping that the mothers will feel that this is a good magazine for children. I shall be pleased to have you look it over from this Department.

The names which are placed upon our mailing list, and they will receive the lessons direct. Let us assist you at any time in any way possible.

Very cordially,

Very truly,

[Signature]
April 20, 1903.

Mrs. Elbert W. Rockwood
Iowa City, Iowa.

Dear Mrs. Rockwood:

Under separate cover I am sending you printed matter relating to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course of the Extension Department of Cornell University, together with a pamphlet showing a list of the topics to which I have just received a list of the topics to which I referred in a recent letter. I think your suggestion that you make up a list of books which will be available upon these subjects, further regarding it, I should be glad to answer your questions and allow clubs to select from your list, will be by far the best plan. We greatly appreciate your interest in arranging for the library, and if you are able to submit something before the Annual meeting, June 2nd and 3rd at Niagara Falls, I will see that the list and requirements are brought before all of the clubs.

Very truly,

Miss Margaret E. Williams
Horseheads, N. Y.

Dear Miss Williams:

Your letter regarding the organization of a Reading circle in your district has been received, and I am pleased to note that the Farmers' Wives' Course is represented. We shall be very much as possible with it. It covers the material, postage for general correspondence and for the sending out of lessons, and the printing of it.

The names which you sent will be placed upon our mailing list, and they will receive the lessons direct. Let us assist you at any time in any way possible.

Very cordially,

Very truly,
Apr. 21, 1903.

Mr. Melvil Dewey
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Dewey:

I have just received a list of the topics to which I referred in a recent letter. I think your suggestion that you make up a list of books which will be available upon these subjects, and allow clubs to select from your list, will be by far the best and plan. We greatly appreciate your interest in arranging for this library, and if you are able to submit something before the Annual meeting, June 2nd and 3d, at Niagara Falls, I will see that the list and requirements are brought before all of the clubs.

Very sincerely,

Apr. 22, 1903.

Mr. Meivil Dewey
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Dewey:

I am very much interested in the little work in the Farmers' Wireless Course, and for the amount done, perhaps not very large. At least we try to do all much as possible with it. It covers one salary, postage for general correspondence and for the sending out of lessons, and the printing of the newspaper, "Roscoe-Rockland Review", traveling expenses for occasional visits to these organizations, etc. The papers are examined by myself, although I want to thank you for the copy of the Review, and for the mention of the Farmers' Wireless Course. We greatly appreciate the kindness of the newspapers in bringing it into touch with the rural life. A feature of the work has brought to our attention the fact that the rural community reads the newspapers, thus we find it on every helpful relations in our efforts to reach the farmer and his family. members in good standing, believing that these women are past the time of doing work of this kind for marks and credits. We

Very truly,
Mrs. Mary R. King gain an interest in the work, and want it for the good that it may be to them. This is the fourth winter which has been devoted to the work. The membership is scattered over a large territory, which makes it impossible to have an organization. Meetings are held locally, according to arrangements made by the members themselves, and you will answer your questions to the best of my ability.

The Reading Course probably you will be rewarded in one time with success in the work. The funds used for the women's work are a part of the appropriation could be done so that our material might be made available.

Should you desire this, further correspondence may be had. One fact that the farm home should be a part of the work. This expenditure is, as much as possible with it. It covers one salary, postage for general correspondence and for the sending out of lessons, and the printing of these lessons, besides traveling expenses for occasional visits to magazine, "Boys & Girls", granges, women's organizations, etc. The papers are examined by myself, although of course it is not on strictly school plans, where an exactness has to be had. We believe that the women will do better for work, in many ways Illinois is ahead of us, and is to be congratulated upon the aggressive pass along these lines.

We have on our mailing list eighteen thousand women, but not more than one-fourth answer the quizzes. We do not grant a diploma, but recognize them as members in good standing, believing that these women are past the time of doing work of this kind for marks and credits. We
April 22, 1906.

My dear Mrs. Sinclair:

I want to acknowledge from you the letter which prefers to have them gain an interest in the work, and want it for the good that it may be to them. This is the fourth winter which has been devoted to the work. The membership is scattered over a large territory, which makes it impossible to have an organization. Meetings are held locally, according to arrangements made by the members themselves, at which time the lessons are discussed and studied. By far the larger part do much more than make a beginning. However, many and more of them alone in their own homes. We are encouraging them more and more in clubs and in granges. The Reading Course is not for sale to women outside of the state, but it is possible something could be done so that our material might be made available.

Should you desire this, further correspondence may be had. One feature of the work, which is only just begun, is the fact that the State Library will make up libraries for our clubs as they may be desired.

Notice of this appears on the folder in Farm Home Studies.

Mrs. Ge...am pleased to know that you are interested in the little magazine, "Boys & Girls".

Dear Mrs. Rose:

Do not hesitate to write me again if there is anything further which I can tell you about the Women's Reading Course, you referred to in your letter. I am not able to supply plans, but I have been much interested in your Year Books and in programs which referred to Mr. F. J. Lockwood, Randolph, Ill., who has this for work. in many ways Illinois is ahead of us, and to be congratulated in her own kitchen. No doubt her carpenter could give you the required drawing and dimensions.

Very cordially,

Very truly,
Ayr. 22, 1905.

Mrs. D. J. Sinclair
Caledonia, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sinclair:

I want to acknowledge from you the list of names sent for the club, and they have been placed upon the mailing list to receive the lessons. The many good ideas and I am anxious to have others. As you are meeting all other requirements in studying the lessons, I wish you might give the farmers' wives a name, and elect a president and secretary, that we may send you our charter. We appreciate the fact that this is a busy time of year, and you can probably not expect to do much more than make a beginning. However, that is worth it, much, and next year, no doubt, you will be in good working order.

Thanking you for the interest you have taken, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Apr. 22, 1905.

Mrs. D. I. Davis
Salt Point, N. Y.

Mrs. Calla P. Rose
Bemos Point, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Rose:

I am sorry that your charter went out not dated. It was an oversight, and you may tell it. I have been hoping to find pictures of the dummy which you referred to in your letter. I am not able to supply a plan, but would refer you to Mrs. E. J. Lockwood, Randolph, N. Y., who has this dummy in her own kitchen. No doubt her carpenter could give you the required drawing and dimensions.

Wishing that I might assist you more, I am,

Very truly,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Mrs. C. R. Stebbins
Miss Broad Creek, Va.

My dear Mrs. Stebbins:

I am very much interested in the letter which you have written, and sent to accompany your quiz. The description of the inquiry about traveling expenses and accommodations which you have given has given me many good ideas, and I am anxious to have others know what may be done in this line. I suppose you will not object to my using it in print, and if you prefer, I will not use your name, although it is so creditable an article that I see no objection to it. I will do, however, just as you say about it. I think it is too useful an article not to have other women have the advantage of it. I am sorry that you have not yet received the circle for the seal, and if you wish to receive it, I will send it to you. It is necessary to be exact. The seal of the University is only used on certain documents, and I am glad that you have asked these questions, and that we may correct the error of the date, and explain about the seal.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensler

Apr. 22, 1903.

Mrs. D. L. Davis
Salt Point, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I am sorry that your charter went out not dated. It was an oversight, and you may fill it in if you please. The date should be somewhere about the time that you received it. It is not necessary to be exact. The circle for the seal we have to leave unsigned stamped, although we hope the time will come when this can be arranged. The seal of the University is only used on certain documents.

I am glad that you have asked these questions, and that we may correct the error of the date, and explain about the seal.

Very cordially,
April 27, 1903.

Miss Myra L. Ingalls
Hartford, N. Y.

My dear Miss Ingalls:

Since my return to Ithaca I have made some inquiry about traveling expenses, and I find that the fund for this year is so low that all members of the Department are having to give up some of the work they have planned, and although Prof. Craig said he would like to have me go to your Association, he felt that it was quite a little distance to go for one meeting, considering the present state of the funds. I regret that I cannot do as you have asked me at this time, and hope another year I can combine it, should you still wish the visit, with other meetings, thus warranting the trip.

I also send Nature Study material, and hope you will write if there is anything more which you can use.

Very cordially,

Margaret van Heusden.

Mrs. Wm. J. Smith
632 Madison Ave.
New York City.

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Some one has sent a request to this office to have sent to you the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course from the Extension Department of this University. The name of the city was not given on the card, and I try New York because I know there is such an avenue there. Let us know if New York should be added to the card.

Very cordially,
Apr. 27, 1903.

Mr. Fred J. Smith
Addison, N. Y.

My dear Commissioner:

I want to thank you for the fine list of names sent me. It will surely give us an opportunity to do some work in the rural communities of your county.

My dear Miss Davis, I hope that we may not be unsuccessful in accomplishing something even overlooked until recently. For the study of these things, that probably could be made from the refuse water from the kitchen, or you can send a list of these names in one envelope. That would do for names which you send, and if you wish to distribute the cards for them to take to their homes, you could do so besides.

I also send Nature Study material, and hope you will write if there is anything more which you can use.

I want to express my interest in your work, and trust that you may be very successful in your plans for Arbor Day.

In reply to your letter received this morning, let me say that I will write a letter to the children on the Future of Farming, so that you may receive it before the 8th. I am preparing to go away for some talks before Institutes, and if you leave tonight, I shall have no time to prepare this letter.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martin Van Beren
Mr. Fred J. Smith
Addison, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Smith:

I want to thank you for the fine list of names which you have sent me. It will surely give us an opportunity to try at least to do some work in the rural communities of your commissioner district. I hope that we may not be unsuccessful in accomplishing something. Rest assured this department will always be ready to assist you whenever possible in your efforts for the betterment of the rural schools.

The best way to irrigate the soil from the refuse water from the house, is to extend common drain tile, perhaps in three directions in the ground, to be irrigated at a depth of about eight inches in the loam. This tile should be with open joints, in order to allow the escape of the water. Perhaps one hundred and twenty-five feet of tile would be sufficient for the purpose. He assures me that it will not freeze. The only other way that I know, would be to collect the water, and thus make it quite inconvenient.

In reply to your letter received this morning, let me say that I will write a letter to the children on "The Future of the Rural School", so that you may receive it before the 8th. I am presently preparing to go away for some talks before Institutes, and as I leave tonight, I shall have no time to prepare this letter today. However, I can send it to you so that it will be in good time.

Very cordially,

Apr. 28, 1903.

If. Fred J. Smith
Addison, N. Y.
Mr. Walter E. Andrews
Pierrepont, N. Y.

My dear Commissioner:

Dear Mr. Spencer:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent me. I will surely give us an opportunity to do some work in the rural communities of your county.

My dear Mrs. Ward:

I am sorry that I have been so long in answering your letter, but it was overlooked until recently. I am told by one who makes a special study of these things, that probably I am not be unsuccessful in securing the interest of the people in her district.

The best way to irrigate the soil from the refuse water from the house, is to extend common drain tile, perhaps in three directions, in the ground, to be irrigated at a depth of about eight inches in the loam. This tile should be with open joints, in order to allow the escape of the water. Perhaps one hundred and twenty-five feet of tile would be sufficient for the purpose. He assures me that it will not freeze. The only other way that I know, would be to build a cess pool, thus collecting the water, but it would have to be dug out and placed on the garden, thus making it quite inconvenient.

Mrs. Flora S. Davis

I hope you will succeed in accomplishing the work in this line which you desire. I judge that it is a difficult thing to try to raise very much under these circumstances.

Very cordially,

S. Glan.<br/>
Mr. Walter E. Andrews
Pierrepont, N. Y.

My dear Commissioner:

Dear Mr. Spencer:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent me. It will surely give us an opportunity to S. Davis, who wishes something in the way of penny packages. Will you kindly write her if you know of anything she can secure? I have had previous correspondence with her. She is inviting three or four schools to unite with herself on Arbor Day, and sent for help. I sent her the Farmers' Reading Course and Farmers' Wives with cards, and suggested that she get the people interested in her district. Thanking you for your attention to this, I am,

Very sincerely,

Mrs. R. W. Burchard
Dongan Hills, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Burchard:

Your card relating to the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course has been referred to me, and in reply let me say that we are glad to send you the lessons as they are published by this department, but I am sorry to say that the books which you refer to cannot be supplied by us. These are only mentioned by us as a construction of the suggestions of persons who are interested in active work along the lines of home improvement. Under the first lead I would suggest for me to confer with the Kindergarten leaders in your city to have something which will interest parents in the same manner.

My dear Mrs. Davis:

I have asked Mr. Spencer to write you where he thinks you can secure the penny packages of flower seeds. I am glad to know that you are progressing in your work, and hope you will continue to write us if there is any way in which we can assist you.

Very cordially,
Mr. Walter E. Andrews
Pierrepont, N. Y.

My dear Commissioner:—

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent me. It will surely give us an opportunity to try at least to do some work in the rural communities of your commissioner's district. I hope that we may not be unsuccessful in accomplishing something. Rest assured this Department will always be ready to assist you whenever possible in your efforts for the betterment of the rural schools.

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Hoping that you will find something of interest in what I am sending you, I am

very cordially,

[Handwritten signature]

P.S. The plan I can make it possible to go, I think I can perhaps interest some of the workers in the Chautauqua plan. This meeting should be one for discussion and exchange of ideas. I would like to have someone represent the subject from the college standpoint, another from the government
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appreciation point of view, and another from that of the women's society. I think it
may be a basis upon which to plan for the pleasure and instruction of the audience; another
having for its value the getting together of persons who are interested in active work along
the lines of home improvement. Under the first head, I would suggest that you arrange for
me to confer with the Kindergarten leaders at Chautauqua, in order to have something
which will interest parents in the care and education of their children. Then, that you
also let me arrange with Mrs. Norton and Miss Barrows, for something to

sanitary science and food values. Third, that a discussion

concerning parent teachers' organizations be a part of the program.

If, regarding the idea of a conference, I would suggest that a
correspondence be opened by which persons engaged in home economics
might be brought together to discuss plans for work. This

would be somewhat like our Lake Placid Conference, which is held every

year at Morrinburg, and which brings together leading economic

workers in the world. In this conference, will be held in Boston in

connection with the N.R.A. this year. If I can make it possible
to go, I think I can perhaps interest some of the workers in the

De Chautauqua plan for. This meeting should be one for discussion and

exchange of ideas. I would like to have someone represent the

subject from the college standpoint, another from the government
appropriation--point of view, and another from that of the Woman's Relief Corps. I think Mr. Speckman would be a good man to represent their interests in this part of the work. There are several who might take it up, from the college standpoint. Mrs. Larned of Syracuse, would be a good one for the Women's Organization, since she is National President of the Home Ecological Association.

I do not know how many persons you will feel like inviting, but I will submit herewith a suggestive outline for you to consider.

If we were able to organize it might be that in the future these persons would come because of what they could get work upon, or at least expect to get work paid for, although it is much less frequent that persons can be paid in the way you did.

Right here let me suggest that it might be well for Chautauqua to invite the Lake Placid Home Ecological Conference to meet at Chautauqua in 1904. It was organized, and has met for years, at Lake Placid. The speakers have been guests of the Lake Placid Club. Others have paid their board bills, and all pay their traveling expenses. The conference is limited to one hundred members, who represent work in England, the United States and Canada. It is for the discussion of methods of work. Such persons as Prof. Atwater, Mrs. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey, Miss Barrows, and Mrs. Norton, are members and workers.

I would suggest, however, that I do not know how Mr. and Mrs. Dewey feel about the place for holding the meeting, and they may very much desire to have it continued at Lake Placid, making the
Boston meeting only an exception. I believe both you and I feel so cordial toward Mr. and Mrs. Dewey that we would neither of us want to suggest any move that would not be in accordance with their wishes. Therefore, I leave it to you to manage according to your best judgment.

I wish there were some way of getting as strong people as I have mentioned, on this Home Day program, and emphasizing the organization side, so as to make strong people interested in coming for a meeting of this kind.

I do not think these suggestions are better than others that might be made, but it will give us something to work upon or at least depart from, as they can be improved.

I judge that you will prefer to invite the speakers as you did last year, but please advise to what extent I may correspond with persons when you decide upon as speakers, and others whom it would be well to write to to interest. If I have a clear understanding of this, I will not be apt to precipitate matters. I should like to, after you have notified any whom you wish to correspond with the Kindergarten workers, if that topic is approved. Also with Mrs. Norton and Miss Barrows, in order that they may feel that they are represented as their department ought to be in such a program.

Very sincerely,

Anticipating pleasure in meeting you and in this Institute, an idea that one would go to Chaunake when she attended the

I am, Very cordially,
May 8, 1905.

My dear Mr. Daway :

Mrs. Salome Cutler Fairchild
State Library, Albany, N. Y.

I had hoped to look in upon you before the spring is over, but I do my last Institute work next week, closing on Friday, and have to be in Buffalo the next morning.

Through the correspondence with Prof. Bailey and Prof. Craig I understand that I have been designated to attend the Utica Library Institute on May 12th, to speak on "The Use of Agricultural Books in Rural Libraries." I shall be very glad to be of any service possible in this line, but am anxious to do the thing which is really wanted, rather than to disappoint you in what you wish to secure. There is hardly time for me to get these special books and make myself familiar with them, although I may do the best I can, of course. I shall anticipate some delay in the appointment on their part. Perhaps if this letter reaches you in time you may be able to send me some suggestion. I shall try to give them the benefit of my observation of the state, and what I think they need, and while Mrs. Fairchild's letter referred only to agricultural books, I had thought of making a plea to have domestic science in the libraries as well.

As I see by your last letter to Prof. Craig, I am to be in Utica in the afternoon; I shall remain in Utica until Tuesday morning, reaching there about noon. I think then, unless this letter finds you away from home, that I may be able to hear from you before I leave.

It would give me great pleasure to remain in Utica for the 13th, but when your letter came I had arranged to speak in the extreme northern part of the state, and must go to Albany the night of May 12th in order to reach my appointment.

Anticipating pleasure in meeting you, and in this Institute, I am, very cordially,
Boston meeting.

I had hoped to look in upon you before the spring is over, May 8, 1903, but I do my last Institute work next week, closing at Malone on Friday, and have to be in Buffalo the next morning.

My dear Mr. Dewey:

I submitted an outline of a program to Dr. Vincent, and may

Albany, N. Y. I think probably you are not yet aware that I have something more definite to write you about it before long. I belong to your staff. I do to the extent that I am to speak at the Library Institute, May 12th, on "The Use of Agricultural Books at This Department is usually very generous regarding my traveling in Rural Districts." I find the first one on the list sent me is "Report on Diseases of the Horse." Then follows a long list of books on kindred subjects. I shall not tell you Mrs. Fairchild are having to figure very closely to have the money last until the how little I know of fodder and forage plants and American breeds next appropriation is available. However, I may go to Boston on of beef cattle, but I shall try to make them think that I was se-

lected to do this work because of my knowledge, whereas the real reason is because the rest are busy and away from home at that time. I shall do the best I can, of course, but shall anticipate some dis-

appointment on their part. Perhaps if this letter reaches you in time, you may be able to send me some suggestion. I shall try to give them the benefit of my observation of how farmers' families treat the reading question, and what I think they need, and while Mrs. Fairchild's letter referred only to agricultural books, I had thought of making a plea to have domestic science in the libraries as well. I am glad to have your letter regarding the Morr
c County Pymms Grange, and should you wish to arrange for me to speak at that meeting on June 13th, I shall be very glad to be that you and Mrs. Dewey are to be there. I am greatly pleased to know this. He had asked me previously if I would look after a Home Day at Chautauqua. I had thought of Mrs. Dewey, but had feared that it would not be a date that would suit her, since I had an idea that she wanted to go to Chautauqua when she attended the

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My dear Mr. Skinner:

I am hoping to go to the Economic Conference, if possible. This Department is usually very generous regarding my traveling expenses, considering the small amount of money they can give my place to your discredit in the least. It is only a wonder that part of the work, but as is often the case in such departments, we are having to figure very closely to have the money last until the next appropriation is available. However, I may go to Boston on my own account.

Very sincerely,

May 8, 1903.

Mrs. C. U. Martin
W. Henrietta, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Martin:

I am glad to have your letter regarding the Monroe County Pomona Grange, and should you wish to arrange for me to speak at that meeting on June 13th, I shall be very glad to be present for that purpose. I will, however, expect to hear from you when you find whether the plans proposed in your letter are carried out. I am sure it would be a great pleasure to meet the members of your grange.

Very cordially,
May 6, 1903.

I believe you are right in preaching this doctrine, and if your friends will work along the same lines for a year, I believe the work along the same lines for a year, I believe the

Hon. Charles R. Skinner
Albany, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Skinner:

Let me emphasize what I said in Malone, that your failure to return the manuscript which I sent you, has not been placed to your discredit in the least. It is only a wonder that you have gone through the hard winter and attended to matters so well, in the midst of so much to worry and annoy. I merely thought that it had been overlooked, and when the time came to print it, I went ahead. I enclose copy of a letter sent out to the School Commissioners regarding it. Some have responded, and we are following up their suggestions, believing that a little done where it is needed and desired, may be better than to try to work over the entire state to no special purpose. I wish we might get the women interested in fixing up the country school house, looking after sanitation, etc. I send you a few copies for any purpose that might happen to appear to you. You will notice that on the eighth page I referred to the Wadsworth prize.

I think you will strengthen your position in the State decidedly by your interest in the rural school, and want to say that, while I had no question whatever in my mind as to the loyalty to the State Department, your talk in Lowville strengthened my convictions and made it entirely clear that the Regents University had one work to do, and the Department of Public Instruction another.
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Very sincerely yours,

May 8, 1903.

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Very sincerely,

May 13, 1903.

May 9, 1903.

Mrs. James Catt,
Clintonville, Wis.

My dear Mrs. Catt:

I was much interested in the quiz which you returned, and pleased with your answers. However, I feel that I can not solve the problem regarding the large amount of work to be done by one woman. There isn't any doubt but that a woman should keep in good condition physically, but to do it and still accomplish the work before her is another question. I assure that we can do much more work with less fatigue when we keep our minds free from worry. We must be contented when we are sure we have done the best we can and trust that everything will come out right. To stop and rest to and relax is one for renewed energy and more effective work.

Studying to find out how work can be done most methodically and with the fewest steps is another means of help... It to clear mind when one can learn to take one step in place of two by yourself. I wish you would read a letter which is printed in the May number of "Home & Flowers," from a woman in the state of Washington. Possibly you will be interested in my reply to her. I will ask to have a copy sent to you.

Your question regarding ice I cannot answer better. I think, than by my reference to it in Lesson No. 1, "Saving Steps." If ice could be in the farm home, it would save an immense amount of work and waste. An old building, if one has it, instead of constructing a new one may be as good. You have the river from which to get the ice, then all that is needed is the help and the sawdust. Some
women have secured this and made a little money out of their ice harvest by supplying it to others.

Very sincerely,

May 18, 1903.

May 12th, 1903.

May 9, 1903.

"Home & Flowers,"

Mrs. A. E. Clark.

Copenhagen, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I have not yet had time to look these over, but want to without delay thank you for them, and am hoping that I may find pictures which will be a help in our Extension work in Cornell University.

You certainly have an exceedingly pleasant line of work before you, which it seems admits of no end of advancement and study.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Very cordially,
May 18, 1903.

My dear Commissioner:

I want to thank you for the fine list of names which you have sent me. It will surely give us an opportunity to try, at least, to do some work in the rural communities of your commissioner district. I hope that we may not be unsuccessful in accomplishing something. Rest assured this Department will always be ready to assist you whenever possible in your efforts for the betterment of the rural schools.

I am pleased to know that my work gave any pleasure or profit at the Lowville Institute. It is a very satisfactory Institute to speak of, and I think you are to be congratulated upon the standards which your teachers present.

Kindly remember me to your daughter.

Hoping that you will soon be better in health, and that you will know what is best to be done about the problem which you have mentioned, I am, Very sincerely,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
May 19, 1902.

My dear Mrs. Perry:

I am wondering just how to answer your letter in order to be of the most assistance. It is impossible at this distance, without seeing your house, to advise in regard to repairs of the purchase of another building to add to yours.

I regret very much to learn that you are not well, and obliged to be shut in. A reasonable number of quizzas from the women, for a book which might be of benefit to you is one written by Prof. Roberts on "The Farmstead." I send a description of the book.

I realize that it is not easy to repair old buildings, but if one has ingenuity along that line, very comfortable homes may be made from old and perhaps cheap buildings.

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May 19, 1903

Miss Margaret M. Williams
345 Lake St., Elmira, N. Y.

My dear Miss Williams:

I am much interested in the club which you have organized, and hope that it will be possible for this Depart-
ment to be of some service in making your work pleasant and profit-
able. There is only one thing lacking regarding the charter, and
that is, that the first series of quizzes shall have been sent in.
Upon the receipt of a reasonable number of quizzes from the women,
about exhausted, I heard that you had not received the book, and
perhaps had had no explanation of it. I have now heard that you will send you the charter for farmers' wives, and I will say the
same regarding the Farmers' Reading Course. This is a requirement
that we have thought best to make in order to make the charter mean-
some of both the Farmers' Reading Course and the women's Reading
more when it is obtained.

Please let us know in any way that we can aid you in the good
that we can aid you in the work you are doing in your office, and I
work you are engaged in.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
May 19, 1903.

Mr. W. F. Humphrey
Geneva, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

Your letter of May 11th can May 19, 1903.

I am not able to say how it happens that these calls are coming, several at a time, for the Farmers' Wives' Course, and cannot recall Mrs. W. A. Hawley to Pearl Crick, N. Y. City, whom you would lead to it. It is suggested by this

My dear Mrs. Hawley:

Through some mistake I am a little confused as to whether the request contained in your letter of April 3d for a bound volume of the lessons of the Farmers' Reading Course has been answered. I handed the letter to some one to send the book, but when I learned a day or two ago that the present edition is just about exhausted, I feared that you had not received the copy, and perhaps had had no explanation of it. Will you kindly advise me in regard to this, and I should you wish to report this.

I send you under separate cover a full set of the Reading Lessons of the Farmers' Reading Course and the Women's Reading Course, and hope that you will be free to call upon us at any time.

Very cordially,

Very cordially,
Mr. W. P. Huieh-:
Geneva, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

May 19, 1903.

Your letter of May 11th came during my absence.

May 20, 1903.

I am not able to say how it happens that these calls are coming,--several at a time, for the Farmers' Wives' Course, and cannot recall having read the letters which you have received, and therefore could not tell you the name or place to which they would lead to it. It is suggested by this that we should not to be sold by you and are supplying the occasional caller among those to be sold by you.

I am much interested in the work you are doing among the farmers' wives, and have recently received the quizzes answered in a very satisfactory way. I assure you we want to aid you in this all that is possible, and I am sending today thirty copies of Lesson No. 4. If other copies are desired, please let me know. I enclose a roster, upon which may be given the name, date and organization of a club. Should you wish to report this to us, we would like to enroll you as a regular Cornell Farmers' Wives' Reading Club, and as you have fulfilled the requirements regarding the answering of quizzes, we can, when we know you have taken a name and elected officers, send you this charter. This might be somewhat of an inspiration to the farmers' wives with whom you work, and I suggest it for your consideration.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
May 19, 1903.

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Very truly,

Miss E. Lilian Hatch
Mannsville, N. Y.

My dear Miss Hatch:

I am much pleased to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' reading Course. This course is not one of the "New Thought," and neither I as the older person, nor you as the younger, have anything about it that people who have been interested in the life of the community in which she lives and teaches, and I have long wanted to interest such teachers in the courses of reading.

But I want to thank you for the nice list of names which you have sent answer without seeing the house. I believe I could not be of any for the course, and assure you that your name will be retained upon help to you unless I saw it. I am sorry that I cannot the list, and if there is any way that we can aid you in your work, your last question, too, is difficult, since I believe that we be sure and call upon us.

Very cordially,
May 20, 1903.

Mrs. Laura E. Travis
Park M. After they are much happier in the homes where they have
lived in, which they have built up. Still without younger
people to add them, a problem indeed to know that you are in-
terested in the Farming Wives' Work. Of course, I am especially glad
that anything which we have sent out has enabled you to make your
work lighter.

I want to thank you for the excellent suggestions which you
have given in your letter. These will be a help to me, and to oth-
er parents, to which I was more than glad to move on in
regard to feather beds, since I am partial to one myself in cold
weather. I see no reason why your method of making them would not
be a good one, and I am glad to know about it.

The Dorset steel ought to be as good as the flexible palette
knife, which is used so much in the kitchen for the same purpose.

It is a unique idea to use the Dorset steel.

I cannot say anything about the "New Thought," edited by Ella
Wheeler Wilcox, because I have not yet seen it. I shall be inter-
cested to do so.

Very sincerely,

I am having sent you some bulletins upon the "Gravity Separator"
and I think it will answer the question which you have asked.

The question in regard to the repair of the house is hard to
answer without seeing the house. I believe I could not be of any
help to you unless I saw it. I am sorry that I cannot.

Your last question, too, is difficult, since I believe that as
May 22, 1903.

Dear Professor Roberts:

Last week, at the request of the Director of the Institute of the State Library, I spoke at Utica on the subject of "Reading for Farming." The object was to try to interest librarians in getting the farmers and their families interested in reading. People grow older; they are much happier in the homes where they have lived for years and which they have built up. Still without younger helping, to add them, and without means to hire, it is a perplexing problem. I believe that hard work should be given up by the older ones, and that the children, now grown up, should take the work. Another plan often followed is to rent or sell the farm, move to a near-by village and have only land enough for garden, and depend perhaps on a cow and horse. I sometimes wonder, however, if people are as happy when they do this. Perhaps you will have to adopt this one thing, and that is, that people who have worked hard all of their lives are entitled to comforts as they advance in years, and I hope that they may be yours in good time. Very sincerely, 

Very sincerely,
Dear Professor Roberts:

Mrs. E. N. B. McMillan last week, at the request of the Director of the State Library, I spoke at Utica on the subject of "Reading for Farmers." The object was to try to interest librarians in getting the farmers and their wives to read in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Circles. I hoped also to interest them in the Farmers' Reading Circles and in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Circles at home. I am glad to know that these are being conducted, and I am glad to know that the Farmers' Wives' Reading Circles are the only ones that I am acquainted with. I hope that they will be successful.

May 22, 1903.

Mr. W. F. Humphrey

Geneva, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Humphrey:

I have received the correspondence referring to the lessons for farmers' wives, and will give them immediate attention. These seem to have been sent out from the Experiment Station, and it may be that they are inspired by some article that someone has written. I do not know otherwise how to account for it.

I have been trying for some little time to get "Boys & Girls" into shape again, and am still endeavoring to do so. The only possible way that I see is to have someone who is interested in it sufficiently, take charge of it and arrange for a publisher who will depend upon his pay in stock, or wait until it is on a paying basis. However, it remains to get things properly settled up here first.

Miss Cornelia B. Killborn

I wish you would permit me to say confidentially, that I think it would be best for you to send Mr. Stevens a bill for whatever is due you, and urge its payment. The rest of us are very anxious to have the bill settled, and we hope that the money will be paid before the end of the month. We shall be glad to hear from you in this respect.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear Professor Roberts:

Mrs. E. M. E. McMillen, 164 Fingerboard Road, L., N. Y.

Last week, at the request of the Director of Institutes of the State Library, I spoke at Utica on the subject of "Reading for Farmers." The object was to try to interest librarians in getting the farmers and their families interested in reading libraries, and perhaps forming libraries in their own community. I said at this meeting that our literature would be sent free of charge to all libraries in the state desiring it. Will you kindly give direction what to have sent out from the Experiment Station in response to applications from public libraries? I shall from time to time send up names of librarians who desire to add this literature. An application is in this morning from Miss Cornelia E. Kilbourn, Librarian, Kirkland Town Library, Clinton, N. Y.

Thanking you, I am;

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Anna M. Martin
Comfort Inn
East Henrietta, N. Y.

May 22, 1903.

I judge from your letter that you have arranged for a talk soon after the annual of the Farm and Home Grange in Rochester, June 13th.

My dear Miss Kilbourn:

I am sending you our series of Nature Study leaflets for the Kirkland Town Library, together with the Farmers and Farmers' Wives' Reading Courses. This work is all free, and if you wish duplicate copies, I hope you will let us know. We shall be glad to be of any service possible in your work.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,

May 22, 1903.
May 27, 1903.

Mrs. E. M. B. McMillen
164 Fingerboard Road,
Rosebank, L. I., N. Y.

My dear Mrs. McMillen:

I am glad to know that you have been interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and we shall be glad to continue them at your address. While we cannot send out a large amount of literature, we are always pleased to know when it interests those to whom it goes.

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very cordially,

May 26, 1903.

Mrs. Emma F. Martin
Comfort Inn,
West Henrietta, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Martin:

I judge from your letter that you have arranged for me to speak before the Pomona Grange in Rochester, June 13th. I can leave Ithaca in the morning at 7:30 and arrive in Rochester at 10:20. We can arrange for a talk soon after the arrival of the train at the Ithaca station, or at the place of meeting just before I am to speak. As I do not know the location of the hall, suppose you state where you would like to see me at one of those two hours, and I will be there.

The expense of the trip will be borne by our Extension Department at Cornell University.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
May 29,'1903.

Mrs. J. O. Barringer
R. R. D.
It will Naraup, N. Y. oh I have on hand and you may keep it, as I

Dear Mrs. Barringer:—my own use.

Do not hesitate to say that we send but five lessons

I am sorry to say that we sent but five lessons

for the Farmers' Wives' Course during the year. You should have

My dear:—as we are on the first year's work, Lessons 1-5 inclusive.

The lessons will begin again next November, and you will receive

Five more. Or we will not allow us to publish more than this, as

there are very many other lines upon which we are working.

I find it. You will be interested which will be a benefit to the community.

Very cordially.

I send you a blank application which you can fill out and send

to the State library at Albany, telling them about what kind of

books you want and also sending the dollar, if you desire the

library of five books. I am sure you will get a good deal of

physician advice. We will ask to have two or three copies of sample

magazines sent you. If you need to send information concerning our

institutes, you may see whether they are doing anything in the way

of Farmer's Wives' Reading Course and do so under separate cover.

May 30th, 1903.

May 30th.

I was much disappointed at not attending the institutes in

Michigan. I had expected to gain much by meeting the women

who I believe would help women.

Robertson interested in the same work in your state. My mother was

very ill when it was the time to go and died within a few days

after. Therefore, I have much to be thankful for that I did not

go. The book which I have gotten

is a book which I have gotten

a good copy of, and I felt it at all wise.

やはり、I must give me pleasure to send you anything which we have from this

department. I will give you the price of that book. Very cordially,
May 30th 1903.

My dear Mrs. Doren:

Very cordially.

I am much interested in the letter which you have sent me, regarding your work in the home and in the grange, and I assure you it is the kind that we like to receive. It is a fine spirit to try to get enterprises started which will be a benefit to the community.

I send you a blank application which you can fill out and send to the State Library at Albany, telling them about what kind of books you want and also sending the dollar, if you desire the library to send books. I am sure you will get a good deal of pleasure out of it. I will ask to have two or three copies of sample magazines sent you, in order that you may see whether they are desirable in your line of work.

I enclose a notice of a book which I believe would help you very much in your plans for building. It is written by Professor Roberts. If I had a copy at hand, I would lend it to you, but I have not any at present. You might ask to have it included in your traveling library. "How to Build a Home", published by Doubleday and McClure Company, New York City, is a book which I have gotten a good many fine ideas from. If I can get hold of a copy, I will send it to you, but if you do not receive it within a week from the time you get the letter, you may know that I have not been able to find it. The price of that book is fifty cents, but if I send it, I will see that she has all this year's leaflets, so that she may be with the rest in her work.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

May 30th, 1903.
May 30, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Tinkcom:

It will be a copy which I have on hand and you may keep it as I have an extra one for my own use.

I am Mrs. Dawley. I have so many books that I have not yet been fortunate to write my name first, but I hope that you will answer them.

the dear of me as the Teacher of the Woman's Reading-Course.

Some years ago I was School Commissioner in Cattaraugus County and always met with a great deal of interest in the work that was done in our own county for the Woman's Reading-Course, since I consider it still my home in a way.

I have read your answers to the questions with much interest and hope that you are finding pleasure in the Reading-Course.

Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Dawley:

About a year ago you wrote me that the ladies of your grange had formed a Reading Circle and I have been wondering of late if the Circle would not be entitled to the charter which is granted by our Department. Of course, this does not signify a great deal, but it may be a stimulus to some of the women. You will notice that it is necessary to have a President, a Secretary and take a name also to hold regular meetings and answer some of the questions, in order to obtain the charter. We do not think it best to ask that all the women answer all of the questions, because we would not wish to deprive any of the members simply for reading when they thought they had to answer the questions and do not feel like doing it.

I hope to meet you again sometime and renew our pleasant acquaintance.

Very cordially,

May 30, 1903.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Reynolds
My dear Mrs. Tinkeoon:

Miss Little Williams by your last quiz the question whether
Ozonea, N. Y.
I was Miss or Mrs. I have to confess that I have not yet been
fortunate to write my name Mrs., but hope that you will think none
of mine as the Editor of the Woman's Reading-Course.

Some years ago I was School Commissioner in Cattaraugus County
and always watched with a great deal of interest the names that
come from our own county for the Woman's Reading-Course, since I
consider it still my home in a way.

I read your answers to the questions with much interest and
hope that you are finding pleasure in the Reading-Course.

Very cordially,

Your truly,

June 5, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Scriber:

I am wondering if all of your members have
received the entire number of leaflets for the first year. Each
one should receive five which are on the first year's course.

Dear Sir:

The next five will be sent next year, but I am sorry we cannot send
more than five during a year.

I am delighted to know that you have your library and are
enjoying the books. Mrs. Reynolds is placed upon the mailing
list and I will see that she has all this year's leaflets, so that
she may be with the rest in her work.

Very cordially,
June 6, 1903.

Miss Grace L. Betteridge
Miss Albany, N. Y.
Story Creek, Ont., Can.

My dear Miss Betteridge:

Miss Bottie Williams
Ozonia, N. Y.

I am sending you a copy of Mr. A. J. K. Green's Circular No. 29, dealing with the subject of 'The Value of Reading'. This circular is now in the process of publication and I am sending you a copy of the manuscript. The circular will be published in the next number of the 'Country World'.

I am also sending you a copy of the circular on 'The Value of Reading', which I have written for the 'Country World'.

I am glad to hear that you are in the process of organizing a 'Farmers' Reading' Association. I am sure that this will be of great benefit to the farmers in your district.

Yours very truly,

Martha van Reeselaar.
Miss Grace L. Betteridge
Miss Albany, N. Y.

My dear Miss Betteridge:

June 9, 1903.

I am sending you copies of the list of books selected for Western New York Federation topics in connection with the subject of sociology, and I want to assure you of our appreciation of this work. I have decided to have copies made of the list and sent to each one of our clubs. In that case, would you send me a sufficient number of hand books to go with the copy? We now have fifty-one clubs and would need sixty hand books.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

June 6, 1903.

Mrs. John H. Wood
New Hackensack, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Wood:

June 9, 1903.

Sometimes ago you wrote me that you would like to form a Farmers' Wives' Reading Club in connection with the Grange. At that time we could not offer as much assistance as perhaps we can now, and I would be glad to know whether the club was organized and whether we can send you anything which will aid in your work.

I enclose a circular which will give you an idea of what we try to do. When you have elected a president and a secretary, have returned the first set of quizzes, and have taken a name, we shall be glad to send you the charter which is issued by this Department. You may not wish to undertake this this summer, but we will be ready to aid you at any time whenever it is possible.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
June 8, 1903.
June 10, 1903.
June 9, 1903.

Miss M. W. Nash
Stony Creek, Ont., Can.

My dear Miss Nash:—

It had not occurred to me that you had not received my telegram of May 3 asking you to send me the names of the teachers who were doing the work of the Teachers' Reading Course. I am sending you copies of lessons of the Women's Reading Course, and shall be very glad to answer any questions which you may wish to ask regarding it. I am hearing excellent reports of the work which the women in Canada are doing along these lines, and think you are to be congratulated upon its success.

I am sorry for the delay in replying to your card, but it was quite unavoidable.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Renselaar.

June 10, 1903.
June 9, 1903.

Prof. J. T. Parsons
Ithaca, N. Y.

I am very glad indeed to send you the copies of Dear Prof. Parsons:—

Strength. I hope you will ask for anything of this kind at you and think you have in blank quarter of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I am sure that you please will do it for the Mutual Help Home Improvement Club of Hennibal, Missouri. would give the date Apr. 15th? If convenient, will you leave it at Room 17, Morrill Hall, or let me know when it is ready, and I will send to your rooms for it. Change my address from 103 Summit Ave. to 31 E. State St., Thanking you, I am,

Very truly,

Martha Van Renselaar.
June 10, 1903.

My dear Miss Harris:
Miss Maria A. Wilde
Franklin, N. Y.

I want to ask whether a Woman's Reading Club...

My dear Miss Van Rensselaer:
Mrs. A. Eaton
Sterling Valley, N. Y.

It had not occurred to me that you...

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I am sorry to learn that Miss Study is not well. I fear she...

June 10, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

Dear Mrs. Dunn:

Very cordially,

I am very glad indeed to send you the copies of...

I hope you are prospering in your work, and that you are in...

June 10, 1903.
June 10, 1903.

My dear Miss Harris:
Miss Maria A. Wilde
Franklin, N. Y.
I want to ask whether a Woman's Reading Club
was organized in Middletown, as Mr. Schultz wrote me some months
ago it might be. It had not occurred to me that you
were delinquent in not writing me. I know how busy people can be
and not be able to do the things which are most desired.

I wonder which bulletin you refer to on health. If it is one
of ours, I will send you whatever number you may desire.

I have placed your name on our regular mailing list, and will
be glad to mail copies to anyone whose names you may send, and sup-
ply you with whatever number you wish. Your activity for the good
of others is an inspiration to the rest of us, and the good work
which you are doing will lighten the cares of many.

I am sorry to learn that Miss Study is not well. I fear she
has overdone in the school room, but hope the summer vacation may
restore her to health.

Mrs. M. E. Long
Macedon Center, N. Y.
June 15, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Ewen:
Last year you wrote me about a Reading Club organized
during your visit to our state work for
women's work in the state. We are very glad to do so to
send that book. They are of some value to you
Mrs. Mary M. Ewen
Honeoye Falls, N. Y.
June 10, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Ewen:
I am much interested in the question which you have
answered and sent in your letter. You always give me good ideas,
and I am pleased to know of your interest in our reading course. I am
wishing you a pleasant summer, I am,
Very cordially,

Very cordially,
My dear Miss Harris:
Miss Maria A. White
Franklin, N. Y. I want to ask whether a Woman's Reading Club
may be started in your vicinity, as Mr. Schultz wrote me some months
ago it might be. If the members of your organization, or other
families, will be placed upon the mailing list and begin to receive their leaflets, and
be of the work in the fall when your organization is in full
swing, I have been wondering about Home Day at Chautauqua.

I am not sure whether I can receive you at any time this
summer, as I am so far from Buffalo and do not have a chance to see the Buffa-
lo papers. However, I will send you something if I can find it.

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. D. Bennett
Elyria, Ohio

June 15, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Bennett:

In view of our former correspondence, I am sending you a full
copy of the latest issue of the YWCA Journal. The issue is not necessary for me to give it
you, as I have already received it in the mail, but I have been
promised that it is important for you to see it.

In reply to your letter, I am sending you a full
copy of the latest issue of the YWCA Journal.

This issue is important for me to give it to you, as I have already received it in the mail.

I am glad to have received your letter and will try to keep you informed of any changes in
the work of the YWCA. If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesi-
tate to contact me.
June 15, 1903.

My dear Miss Harris:

I want to ask whether a Women's Reading Club was organized at Ransomville, as Mr. Schultz wrote me some months ago it might be. If the organization was perfected, and a name was taken, officers elected and any quizzers have been sent in, we can now send you a charter, which we shall be very glad to do.

Perhaps you found it difficult to organize, and have not done so, and I do not wish to urge anything which does not seem best.

I was glad to see you at the Niagara Falls meeting, and shall for the day is quite complete and attractive. I do not see that there is any necessity of my doing anything to make it more so, and your program.

I was glad to see you at the Niagara Falls meeting, and shall be much interested in the Ransomville Federated Club.

Very sincerely,

June 23, 1903.

Mrs. C. D. Bennett.

Dear Mrs. Bennett:

In reply to your letter I am sending you a full set of our leaflets up to date. While we do not make a practice of sending these outside of the state, we are very glad to do so to some extent, and if it does not interfere with our state work for which the fund is provided by the legislature. I am glad to have you have these lessons, and hope they may be of some value to you in your grange work. There will be no expense connected with it, although it may be later that an arrangement will be made by which the printer will furnish to out of state persons the lessons in the same way that he does the Nature Study work.

Very cordially,
June 26, 1903.

Dear Mr. Vincent:

Mountaineer, Oklahoma. Very cordially,

I have been wondering about Home Day at Chautauqua. I notice by the program which has been circulated, that the program for the day is quite complete and attractive. I do not see that Wives' Reading Course and wish I might be of some help to you in any necessity of anything to make it more so, and your perplexities. It is difficult for a busy woman to attend to the trip from Ithaca to Chautauqua is somewhat expensive. I do not think that household cares and at the same time improve in her reading, not wish to plan to go unless there is some special reason for it. I have your letter regarding the Farmers' Day it probably is not necessary for me to give it any further attention. However, to view of our former correspondence, that you live outside of the State of New York, and we have no presence, I thought best to write you to know just what you were expecting for extending to any extent our literature, inasmuch as it is provided by state appropriation. I can send you the lessons as if you wish me simply to be present to look after some details which they are published, but if I had not been able to supply the number might be needed, would it not be better to delegate some of the many readers. We are helpers who are already there, and not incur the expense of a trip to come, upon your name upon our mailing list, and hope you may from Ithaca? I am not wishing to shirk anything which might be of aid to you, because I am very glad indeed to assist in any way. I hope the question which you ask regarding your music, that is possible.

I have never had experience in studying by correspondence, but have very sincerely;

made some inquiry since your letter came, and have learned that with the knowledge which you already have, it is quite possible for you to make decided progress in your work. It, of course, would be apparent that such instruction could not be as valuable as to be with a teacher. It is a good thing in this, as in other
lines, to listen critically to one's own work, having as high a
standard as possible to which to work. I wish you a great deal
of success and admire your ambition.

June 26, 1903.

Mrs. J. W. Wildman
Mountaintown, Oklahoma. Very cordially,

Miss Mary

I have your letter regarding the Farmers' Reading Course, and wish I might be of some help to you in your perplexities. It is difficult for a busy woman to attend to her household cares, and at the same time improve in her reading, music, etc. However, she is just the woman who should make the extra effort, because with so much of the routine one is liable to neglect the side of life which lifts us out of the monotony of hard work. The first difficulty which I find in aiding you is the fact that you live outside of the State of New York, and we have no provision for extending to any extent our literature, inasmuch as it is provided by state appropriation. I can send you the lessons as they are published, or possibly in letters if you choose; I have not been able to secure for you any helpful information, but I have not been able to supply the number which you would need in organizing a circle of readers. We are glad to put your name upon our mailing list, and hope you may receive some helpful suggestions.

I notice in the answer you gave me you had answered the question which you ask regarding your music. I never have had experience in advising by correspondence, but have had some inquiries since your letter came, and have learned that with the knowledge which you already have, it is quite possible for you to make decided progress in your work. It is a good thing in this, as in other
lines, to listen critically to one's own work, having as high a standard as possible to which to obtain. I wish you a great deal of success and admire your ambition.

R. W. D., No. 2.

One thing is necessary with so much work before you, and that does not, to become unhappy in the inability which you will have to do all that you desire. It is not wise to make ourselves unhappy over these conditions. I am planning to be there on the date mentioned, and am looking forward to attending the meeting in Boston during June 27, 1903.

Dear Mrs. English:

In reply to your letter let me say that I was not able to get any full information regarding the subject of the drives and saving strength are certainly reliable when the combination of these conditions is understood and the new editions are printed.

My dear Mrs. English:

I regret very much that both the lessons on Sav- ing Steps and Saving Strength are out of print. We had just enough to go through to the present time, and our next year's readers are very much in need of the help you can give us. I am sorry I cannot send you more at this time. The clerk misunderstood my request that I refer to the Fish and Game Commission, Albany, N. Y.

I want to thank you for the response which you so generously gave to my request regarding the little magazine. I hope to assist you in securing the stock which you refer to the Fish and Game Commission, Albany, N. Y.

I want to thank you for the very excellent way in which you have answered the questions on the quizzes. Your answers show much thought upon the subject, and I sincerely hope you are enjoying the work.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
June 29, 1903.

Dear Mr. Robinson:

We shall always be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

Mr. L. K. Robinson
R. F. D. No. 2,
Hornellsville, N. Y.

June 30, 1903.

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I am anticipating much pleasure in attending the Aug. 4, 1903.

Mrs. Annie English, and am planning to be there on the date men- tioned.

I shall attend a meeting in Boston during the week of Aug. 4.

In reply to your letter let me say that I presume I cannot give you very full information regarding the subject of driven wells, but they are certainly reliable when the amount and depth of underground water are known. All attempts in securing these wells are not successful. The price varies from $1 to $3 per foot. If water is assured at a certain depth below the surface it can be secured for the household by the household of rock, driven wells are often cheapest in the long run. Engines for pumping are available where skilled labor is employed.

Mrs. Henrietta Terwilliger
Arkport, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Terwilliger:

I notice in the answer to a quiz which you have sent me a question regarding the stocking of a pond with fish.

It is interesting to know your experience with goat's milk. I have not been able to secure for you any helpful information, but I do not see why goats might not be more commonly used, and perhaps would refer you to the Fish and Game Commission, Albany, N. Y., as a matter of economy they would be better than cows, since I understand there they will give you the desired help, and if I am not mistaken, assist you in securing the stock.

I want to thank you for the very excellent way in which you have answered the questions on the quizzes. Your answers show much thought upon the subject, and I sincerely hope you are enjoying the work through their patience and assurance they teach those who are more active lessons which they need very much to know. You have our hearty sympathy, and I hope that you may gain in health.

Very cordially,

June 30, 1903.

I have been able to do so many things that they have written the proposed article that would meet the demand which your readers would have it ready when you desire it. Another consideration is as to whether I could write an article that would meet the demand which your readers would have it ready when you desire it. Another consideration is as to whether I could...
hearthy sympathy, and I hope that you may gain in health.

We shall always be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

June 30, 1903.

Aug. 4, 1903.

Mrs. Annie English
185 Green St.,
Hudson, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. English:

In reply to your letter let me say that I presume I cannot give you very full information regarding the subject of driven wells, but they are certainly reliable when the amount and depth of underground water are known. All attempts in securing these wells are not successful. The price varies from $1 to $3 per foot. If water is assured at a certain depth below a stratum of rock, driven wells are often cheapest in the long run. Engines for pumping are only practicable where skilled labor is employed. Windmills are ordinarily more satisfactory on the farm. Powerful hand pumps are now available at small cost. These will force water to elevated tanks without great labor.

It is interesting to know your experience with goat's milk. I do not see why goats might not be more commonly used, and perhaps as a matter of economy they would be better than cows, since I understand they do not require as particular feeding.

I am exceedingly sorry to know that you are an invalid, and I firmly believe that invalids who are deprived of so many of the privileges of life, and are not able to do so many things that they wish to do in the line of usefulness, have a mission on earth, since through their patience and endurance they teach those who are more active lessons which they need very much to know. You have our admiration.
hearty sympathy, and I hope that you may gain in health.

We shall always be glad to hear from you.

Very cordially,

My dear Mr. Le Bosquet:

Chicago, Ill.

I wrote for the farmers' wives upon this subject would not be suitable, I believe, and it might be more technical than this. If you have time and wish to undertake it, you might write an article that would meet the demand which your readers would have. It certainly ought not to be too technical, must be very readable. The lessons which we are now offering are at the same time quite readable. The lessons which I outlined may not be a success. There are those who want something more than the reading offered by the household magazines, and still cannot attend a school of domestic science. If you will be glad to refer any to you who I think would be interested to get the information that they desire, I like the outline which you have sent, and hope it will be a very popular course.

Your second letter regarding the preparation of a paper on Sanitation, I have given considerable thought to, and have been quite undecided as to whether it would be possible for me to undertake it. My time is exceedingly full, as I have already arranged to write several magazine articles, besides my regular work which calls for the preparation of lessons for our farmers' wives for the next year. This is one objection I have found to promising to write the proposed article, as I do not wish to disappoint you in having it ready when you desire it. Another consideration is as to whether I could write an article that would meet the demand which your readers would...
Mrs. C. La Brants
Beaver State, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. La Brants:

I was glad to receive your letter and to know of your interest in the Reading Course. We certainly can excuse anyone who has so much interest as a new boy baby. I assume you certainly ought not to be too technical, must be very accurate, and at the same time quite readable. The lessons which I wrote for the farmers' wives upon this subject would not be suitable, I believe, and it might be more technical than this. If you are willing to run the risk of my making something satisfactory in this line I will undertake it, but I assure you I am not a specialist in the line of sanitation, although I am greatly interested in the subject, and think if I were to specialize it would be in this line.

I shall be glad to be kept in touch with your work, and if at any time I can be of any assistance in any way, please let me know. I shall be glad to refer any to you who I think would be interested in such a course of correspondence.

Very truly,

Mr. L. K. Robinson

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I was glad to receive your letter, and to know about the meeting which I was unable to reach, and also to know that I may still have the pleasure of being with your charges on some other occasion. I think next time I shall have to start the night before in order to get into Holloway early in the morning. I will plan to be with you the second Saturday of September, and hope that nothing this time will interfere. I will write you just before the time of meeting in order that you may know the exact time of my arrival.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Mrs. C. Le Brantz  
Beaver Duma, N. Y.  

My dear Mrs. Le Brantz:—

I was glad to receive your letter and to know of your interest in the Reading Course. We certainly can excuse anyone who has so much of interest as a new boy baby. I assure you I believe you are spending your time more profitably than by answering the quizzes. I hope that you will soon be quite strong again, and not be obliged to overtax yourself. The German recipes are very desirable. It is the good old-fashioned cooking, and better than all the new French dishes. You need not worry because you find little time for answering the quizzes, but hope you will continue to join the Reading Course.

Very cordially,

Aug. 4, 1908.

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Mr. L. K. Robinson  
Hornellsville, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Robinson:—

I was glad to receive your letter, and to know about the meeting which I was unable to reach, and also to know that I may still have the pleasure of being with your family on some other occasion. I think next time I shall have to start the night before in order to get into Hornellsville early in the morning. I will plan to be with you on the second Saturday of September, and hope that nothing this time will interfere. I will write you just before the time of meeting, in order that you may know the exact time of my arrival.

Very sincerely,
Aug. 4, 1903.

Mrs. C. Le Brantz
Beaver Dams, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Le Brantz:

I was glad to receive your letter and to know of your interest in the Reading Course. We certainly can excuse anyone who has so much of interest as a new boy baby. I assure you I believe you are spending your time more profitably than My dear Mrs. McMillan :-

by answering the quizzes. I hope that you will soon be quite strong again, and not be obliged to overtax yourself. The German recipes are very desirable. It is the good old-fashioned cooking, and which you despise is familiar to me as I have visited rural better than all the new French dishes. You need not worry because schools a grant deal and know the conditions which affect them, and you find little time for answering the quizzes, but hope you will continue to join the Reading Course.

Very cordially,

Mrs. C. Le Brantz

Aug. 4, 1903.

Mr. L. K. Robinson
Hornellsville, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I was glad to receive your letter, and to know about the meeting which I was unable to reach, and also to know that I may still have the pleasure of being with your group on some other occasion. I think next time I shall have to start the night before in order to get into Hornellsville early in the morning. I will plan to be with you on the second Saturday of September, and hope that nothing this time will interfere. I will write you just before the time of meeting, in order that you may know the exact time of my arrival.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
My dear Mrs. McMillan:

I wish you much success in your efforts, and if we can at any time assist you, rest assured we shall consider it all privilege due to you in your work, I shall be glad to send you that number, No. 3—Saving Steps—will be reprinted early in the fall. We have already exhausted two editions.

Very cordially;

Aug. 11, 1903.

Mrs. Mary E. McMillan
Havelton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. McMillan:—

The picture you describe is familiar one to me. I have visited rural schools a great deal, and know the conditions which affect them, and the difficulties to be overcome. However, the condition that you mention which prevents the opening of the windows is a serious one, and should be removed. It is a difficult thing to get up property owners sometimes to see that their plans interfere with the health and best interest of the children. It will be a fine thing if your district can purchase the piece of ground and attach it to your school property. The children will appreciate it for a playground, and besides, it will make it possible to so improve the school enough grounds that they may be attractive. These are two things quite essential that is to give the children an opportunity to play, and also have space to secure good effects in the way of decoration.

I wish you great success in your efforts, and if we can at any time assist you, rest assured we shall consider it all privilege due to you in your work, I shall be glad to send you that number, No. 3—Saving Steps—will be reprinted early in the fall. We have already exhausted two editions.

Very sincerely,

Aug. 4, 1903.
Mrs. G. E. Maxwell

Mr. F. Maxwell

My dear Sir,

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and assure you that I shall try to arrange the meeting for Thursday or Wednesday. St. Paul and Thursday are my only available days for meetings. I am interested in your circle if you are able to continue it. My dear Sir, let me know in any way that I can help you, and I will be glad to have the number I have asked for.

Professor Bailey was out of the city when your letter came, and it has been referred to me. I was unable to send you any number of copies of the Reading Lessons, but am very sorry that I neglected to write you to this effect. Lesson No. 3 is entirely out of print, and we could not spare the copies of Lesson No. 9. We have never made any arrangements for furnishing these lessons in quantity outside of the state. The work is provided under state appropriation, and of course is confined largely to readers in New York State. With the opening of the next year of work, in September, I will bring the matter before Professor Bailey, who is at the head of this Department, and determine what arrangement can be made for sending these lessons to any who might wish them enough to pay the printer for the cost of printing. We never receive pay for the lessons, but it can be arranged as has been done in connection with the Nature Study work and the Farmers' Reading Course. I regret very much that we could not send you these lessons. If twenty-five copies of No. 9--The Rural School and the Home--will be of any value to you in your work, I shall be glad to send you that number. No. 3--Saving Steps--will be reprinted early in the fall.

Very sincerely,

We have already exhausted two editions.

In regard to the meeting on October 15, it would not be feasible for me to be present on Wednesday morning as I have an engagement on Wednesdays and Fridays. I could leave here on Saturday even.
Dear Mrs. King:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and assure you that we shall all be interested in your circle if you are able to form one. Let me know in any way that I can help you, and if you succeed in doing so, write me about your times of meeting, and perhaps I can arrange to stop sometime at Victor when you have a session.

Your letter reached me this morning, together with the list of names for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course for Thursday as Wednesday. We shall during the next year make a point of trying to organize circles in different parts of the state. I hope to keep in touch with your work and supply you with what literature you may desire. As some of our lessons are out of print, and it will be some weeks before a new supply is obtained, I will not be able to send the complete set to those whose names you have sent, but will place them upon the mailing list to receive the numbers as they are published from month to month. I am glad to send you a package of lessons which may be used as sample copies at the time of your County convention, and will see that your letter of July 22nd is at hand, and our conversation at Chautauqua has perhaps straightened the matter of desired at the State convention. The name of your club may be the slides very satisfactorily. If you have not become responsible according to the Robinson model, it is satisfactory in any way that for the purchase of the box referred to, I think it will not be long before you desire it. We shall have planned the box and that the meeting of your club on Saturday night, should anything have occurred which makes you prefer to postpone the meeting, please let me know immediately. The D will arrive at the Depot when his depot at 10:15 o'clock and glad to have a chance. If you have ordered this for me please this. Information on our slides and quizzes, we shall be glad to send you and I will send for it, unless you can easily dispose of it.

Very sincerely,

Aug. 11, 1903.

Mrs. H. B. King
Victor, N. Y.
reaching Binghamton at two o'clock. I think I could then get to Stamford that night at six o'clock. I would be obliged to leave Stamford Thursday afternoon in order to arrive home on Friday morning. Tuesday and Thursday are my only available days.

If you can as easily arrange the meeting for Thursday as Wednesday, I would very much appreciate your doing so.

Mrs. Nettie B. Fernald
West New Brighton,
Staten Island, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Fernald:

Your letter reached me this morning, together with the nice list of names for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I want to thank you for the interest you have taken in it. I hope to keep in touch with your work and supply you with what literature you may desire. As some of our lessons are out of print, and it will be some weeks before a new supply is obtained, I will not be able to send the complete set to those whose names you have sent, but I will place them upon the mailing list to receive the numbers as they are published from month to month. I am glad to send you a package of lessons which may be used as sample copies at the time of your County convention, and will see that you have what are conversation at Chautauqua has perhaps straightened the matter of desired at the State convention. The name of your club may be the slides very satisfactorily. If you have not become responsible according to your own selection. It is satisfactory in any way that for the purchase of the box referred to, I think I will not take it, you desire it. We wish the name of the club, of the president and inasmuch as I am not giving any special attention to that department secretary, and the names of the members to whom we shall send the any of the work at present. I got along very well last year by using lessons regularly. It is then desired that a proportion of the members of the club answer the quizzes, and after we have received glad to have a new box. If you have ordered this for me, please this information and some of the quizzes, we shall be glad to send let me know and I will send for it, unless you can easily dispose a charter.

In regard to the meeting in October, it would not be possible for me to be present on Wednesday morning as I have a class here on Wednesdays and Fridays. I could leave here on Wednesday noon,
reaching Binghamton at two o'clock. I think I could then get to
Stamford that night at six o'clock. I would be obliged to leave
Stamford Thursday afternoon in order to arrive home on Friday morn-
ing. Tuesday and Thursday are my only available days therefore.
If you can easily arrange the meeting for Thursday as Wednesday,
I will be with you.

I shall be much interested in the New Brighton Club, and I
hope you will be very free to call upon us for anything that is
within our power to give.

Wishing you a great deal of success in your good work, I am
Very cordially,

Sept. 14, 1903.

Mr. E. G. Routzahn
5711 Kimbark Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Routzahn:

Your letter of July 22nd is at hand, and our
conversation at Chautauqua has perhaps straightened the matter of
the slides very satisfactorily. If you have not become responsible
for the purchase of the box referred to, I think I will not take it,
inasmuch as I am not giving any special attention to that department
of the work at present. I got along very well last year by using
one of Prof. Craig's. Should I do much of this work I shall be
glad to have a new box. If you have ordered this for me, please
let me know and I will send for it, unless you can easily dispose
of it.

Very sincerely,
The College opens, but have not found it possible to leave my work.

Anticipating much in the pleasure of seeing you, I am,

Very affectionately,

[Signature]

Sept. 16, 1905.

My dear Mrs. Harron:

- I present a very flattering proposition. One source of consolation which I have is that I do not usually have a fee for speaking, and it is not good for one who has talked before Village Study clubs, and been interested in them, to have only lost their time. Since you suggest paying me expenses, I would feel necessary to make it worth while for me to arrange to go to Harriman, and I could arrange to go to Harriman no doubt something in October.

- We can arrange upon a date. I am obliged to be here for work in the Fall, and I do not know whether I can do that or not. The University on Wednesday and Fridays. In addition to that, out of the grade I would not be able to call upon a friend until Saturday, the 17th, is taken. Please let me know what date suits supports my Department, and it is a real question whether it suits you best, and I will try to be there at that time. There would be no expense excepting the expenses, and if I arranged some other appointment at the same time, this expense would be borne by our Department.

- It will be a pleasure to meet your city club, and hope connection with the Agricultural College of Cornell University on should it be arranged, I shall be glad to have you give me an idea of your line of work, and what should be the aim in speaking on the cannot leave until after my work Friday, the 17th of November, I subject of Household Economics. Should it be to interest the women would reach Coosdale on the morning of Saturday. I think, however in a social study, or to take up some phase of the subject which that it would be better for me on the first opportunity to consult might be instructive, or to create a sentiment in favor of better the Director, Professor Bailey, and determine whether I may have a homes.

- Thanking you for any information you may give me to reach the heartly, I will then write you immediately. Your being present at the midst of your work, I am sure, that time will be a great inducement to me to go, and I shall hope that you will be able to come every so often, you will not be too busy for a visit.

- I am sorry you have had the hot weather in the city. I think you must have found it pretty cool in the Catskills during the summer, I do not expect to have a couple of weeks in the Adirondacks beforehand. To getting it to me therefore is greatly appreciated.

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fore the College opens, but have not found it possible to leave my work.

Anticipating much in the pleasure of seeing you, I am,

Mrs. J. N. Stewart

Very affectionately,

Sept. 10, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Dunn:

You present a very alluring proposition. One source of consolation which I have is that I do not usually have a fee for speaking, and if it isn't good for anything those who have heard it gave only lost their time. Since you suggest paying expenses, I would feel it necessary to make it worth while to my audience, and I do not know whether I can do that or not. As it is out of the state I would not be able to call upon the fund which supports my Department, and it is a real question whether the association ought to afford these expenses. I certainly would not want more. The only other question is whether I can get away at that time. Beginning next year, I give two lectures a week in connection with the Agricultural College of Cornell University on home topics. These will occur on Wednesdays and Fridays. If I cannot leave until after my work Friday, the 6th of November, I would reach Toledo on the morning of Saturday. I think, however, that it would be better for me on the first opportunity to consult the Director, Professor Bailey, and determine whether I may have a leave of absence, securing someone else to take my place on Friday here. I will then write you immediately. Your being present at that time will be a great inducement to me to go, and I shall hope you will not be too busy for a visit.

I am sorry you have had the hot weather in the city. I think you must have found it pretty cool in the Catskills during the summer. I had hoped to have a couple of weeks in the Adirondacks be-
Before the College opens, but have not found it possible to leave my work.

Anticipating much in the pleasure of seeing you, I am,

MRS. J. N. STEWART. Very affectionately,

My dear Mrs. Stewart:

Sept. 26, 1903.

I take pleasure in sending to Miss Mattat a copy of our Reading Course literature both in reply to your letter of Sept. 26, 1903, and by sending literature, I was greatly pleased to receive your letter and to have the satisfaction of feeling that my trip to Adrianville brought you pleasure. As to myself, I am glad to know that you are interested in agricultural work. I am still at work, and believe I will have something to speak to you about. You are greatly improved with the fact that you were bringing into your farm work life so much of the higher things of life, and still were carrying the burdens which came to the farmer's wife, where help is so difficult to find. You felt, too, that you need to be careful that you are not very strong, and there is much danger of you being overtaxed. I want to commend to you strongly the idea of self-education. I have handed me your letter, and read it over, and I hope you will take the time to look it over. I should talk about it.

I am glad to send you the "Farmer's wife" magazine, of which I have the editor and have placed your name upon the subscription list for the present year, beginning with the October number. We hope you will be glad to want to thank you for the umbrella which came in due time and in good condition. I do not know whether I told you that this is an umbrella which my mother had used for a number of years, and I do not often carry it because I am afraid of losing it. Your kindness in getting it to me therefore is greatly appreciated.

Hoping that you are all well.
Mrs. J. M. Stewart
Glenridge, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Stewart:

Sept. 26, 1903.

I take pleasure in sending to Miss Moffatt copies of our Reading Course literature both in reply to your letter of Oct. 10, 1903. I am glad indeed to know that she is interested in literature. I am glad to know how the work which we are doing is at all inspiring to other women, and I am very kind of you to give me this encouragement.

I was greatly pleased to receive your letter and to have the satisfaction of feeling that my trip to Oberlin brought to you pleasure in other respects as well as to myself. I was also glad to know how the work which we are doing is to all inspiring to others, and I am very kind of you to give me this encouragement.

I was strongly impressed with the fact that you were bringing into your farm home life so much of the higher things of life, and still were carrying the burdens which come to the farmer's wife, where help is so difficult to find. I felt, too, that you need to be careful, since you are not very strong, and there is much danger of your being overtaxed. I want to commend to you strongly the idea in the lesson on saving strength, copy of which you probably have.

If you haven't it, please let me know.

I am glad to send you our BOW AND ARROW magazine, of which I am now the editor, and have placed your son's name upon the subscription list for the present year, beginning with the October number. In the meantime, you will hear from us to this.

I want to thank you for the umbrella which came in due time and in good condition. I do not know whether I told you that this is an umbrella which my mother had used for a number of years, and I do not often carry it because I am afraid of losing it. Your kindness in getting it to me therefore is greatly appreciated.

Hoping that we may all live
Sept. 28, 1903.

Mrs. J. N. Stewart
Glenridge, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Stewart:

I take pleasure in sending to Miss Moffat copies of our Reading Course literature both in reply to your letter and to one from her. I am glad indeed to know that she is interested, and we shall try to keep up her interest, if we can do so, by sending literature.

I will try and send you something for the October "Altruist." I think I can get it ready in the course of two or three days. Just at present I am somewhat rushed with other work.

I also send some literature to Mrs. Murphy.

Very cordially,

Sept. 29, 1903.

Miss A. Wanda Thompson
North Woodstock, N. Y.

Dear Miss Thompson:

R. E. D. No. 1,

Barker, N. H. Spencer has handed me your letter, and I am wondering if you are asking to have sent to Mr. Tucker the Women's Reading Course. Intrapolishing it. We have not received your name or address for the Woman's Reading Course addressed at the address on your label. We trust you will be sure to anything you may desire.

Very cordially,
Mr. C. C. Gardiner

26, Mr. Le Bosquier - Canada.

Dear Mr. Gardiner:

I enclose herewith an outline for the paper on Sanitation. Some work has been done upon it, and I am planning to have it finished by the last of October. I had forgotten that you asked for an outline, or I should have sent this before. I like Miss Maud Gardiner the best, and unless there is some reason why this may not be used, I would like to do so, with possible some slight changes. You must check that I cannot send you the lessons. Thank you for your offer of assistance, and assuming you are willing to have the lessons sent, there will be no difficulty, and I shall want it when I come to submit material.

Very sincerely,

Miss Mildred R. Allen

R. E. D. No. 1,

Barker, N. Y.

My dear Miss Barker:

In reply to your letter I am sending you announcements of the Short Course in Agriculture, which I believe your friend will be interested in. Should any questions come up which you would like to have answered, I hope you will be free to write again.

Very cordially,

My dear Miss Barker:

In reply to your letter I am sending you announcements of the Short Course in Agriculture, which I believe your friend will be interested in. Should any questions come up which you would like to have answered, I hope you will be free to write again.

Very cordially,
Mr. G. C. Greeman
Mrs. James Greeman, Ottawa, Canada.

My dear Mr. Greeman:

I am trying to study my topics so rapidly that I may say when the time comes, whatever I may design, have I would thank you for Monday evening—The Farm Home. I would like to see some fine clubs among the Mothers' organizations.

Dear Miss Gardiner,

May I have to put down as plain Miss, but I can't help it this time. I am sorry that I cannot send you the lessons to which you refer. Part of these are entirely out of print, and have to be reprinted. Our own reader's work is possible that we may make some arrangement with the printer by which these lessons can be supplied in quantities outside of the state, but he now tells me that he has no more copies on hand. The work comes under a state appropriation, and while we send out copies to persons here and there who are interested to know what our work is, we cannot use this money for sending them out in quantities. I regret very much that this is the case, for I should like to send them to you.

Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Da Hart:

I am very glad indeed to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I take pleasure in sending you a set of the lessons. There names are sent to persons who would like to receive the lessons to follow this study, as begin by sending a simple lesson in November, and follow this up through the winter months. We desire to keep in close touch with the clubs in order to be as much benefit as possible to them.

I hope you will write me if at any time I can help you in the work which you have, and I am sure you have a noble one.

Very cordially,
Mr. G. C. Graelman
Mr. G. C. Graelman
Mrs. Jane Glaze
Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
West New Brighton, N. Y.
Mr. C. Graelman :-
My dear Mrs. Fermanid :-

I am trying to study my special subject so broadly that I
may say when the time comes, whatever I may desire, have I would
suggest for Monday evening - The Farm Home, Women's Work in
Economics.

I suppose you will have to put your plans on paper;

Anticipating the pleasure of the visit to Guelph, I am

Very sincerely,

Oct. 14, 1903.

Mrs. Susan L. De Harte
Staten Island, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. De Harte :-

I am very glad indeed to know that you are interested in the
Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I take pleasure in sending you a set of the
lessons.

I have sent to persons who are interested in the lessons to follow the study,
in order to be as much benefit as possible to them.

I hope you will write me if at any time I can help you in the work which
you have, and I am sure you have a noble one.

Very cordially.

Oct. 15, 1903.

Very cordially,

Thanking you for your letter, I am,
Mrs. James C. Fernald  
West New Brighton, L. I., N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Fernald:—

I am very glad indeed to know of the cordial reception to the  
Women's Reading Course at the convention last week, and feel that we have you to thank  
for presenting the matter in a way to demand it. I am sure that through your instrumentality in this way we shall gain some fine clubs among the Mothers' organisations.

I would not be able to send you all of last year's publications in any quantity.  
The lesson on Saving Steps we shall have reprinted in November, but the one on  
Saving Strength will not be ready before January. I can send out a large enough  
number as fast as they want them, however, because we issue each month, and will meet  
the demand as it comes. I think, therefore, you are safe in making the announce-  
ment in the State paper. The new bulletin I cannot send you because they are not  
yet printed. We have them printed as we do magazines—one each month for five  
months. Read what you have sent.

from I hope your winter in Washington will be very pleasant indeed, and that I  
may meet you upon your return: a fine race of mothers. Of course it is  
not possible for all. Very cordially, like farm work well enough to re-  
main there, and perhaps it is well for them not to do so unless they  
can take hold of the farm life with zest and interest. However,  
I am much in sympathy with everything that strengthens a child's  
interest in the farm, because I believe that it is a life that may  
with intelligence and strength become very beneficial and pleasant.

I am pleased to know that you have gone reading in your library.  
Now I wish I knew how to tell farm wives how to get more time  
for reading and find recreation, but I realize there is a large  
amount of work you or how can ever get more time  
for reading.  

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very cordially,

Oct. 14, 1903.
My dear Mrs. Hall,

I am sending you a circular regarding the Traveling Library, and am very glad indeed that you are interested.

I am afraid of trying it in your school. I shall know a little better what is wanted. I would know better what to ask about, as I am a school girl. I would probably like a library on varied subjects, and I will ask the Department at Albany to send you a list of books for your approval. If this does not please you, please let me know, and I will not think the work. I am only asking for your approval.

Concerning the reading course for farmers' wives, you will know that you are enjoying the course. I am always glad to know when others enjoy the course. I am sure your family, and I congratulate you upon having your oldest boy already in the High School. We expect much of the boys who come from the farm homes because they have proven to be such fine material.

Oct. 15, 1903.

The farmers' wives are a fine race of mothers. Of course it is not possible for all children to like farm work well enough to remain there, and perhaps it is well for them not to do so unless they can take hold of the farm life with zest and interest. However, I am much in sympathy with everything that strengthens a child's interest in the farm. It is great, I believe, that it is real that may give you any definite information. As yet we have, strictly speaking, no Domestic Science Department at Cornell University. I am giving two lectures a week for twenty weeks, which will be followed by another twenty weeks of a course in literature in the fall. There is also work on the materials of the home, in the way of cooking, cleaning, and such like.

I am pleased to know that you have good reading in your library.

How I wish I knew how to tell farmers' wives how to get more time for reading, growing flowers, plants, etc. Credit is given in all of this work in the way of college course.

At the present time it is impossible to project a more extended course in Domestic Science. I hope some day it may come, and think when it does we can have it set aside as the work is occasionally and resting and playing as the have an extensive department. If your daughter wishes a regular course in the same science I would not advise her to come here at present, although I wish we could.

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. D. Hall

[Address]
Mrs. T. Mrs. George H. Hall
Winnadilla Farms, N. Y.

Mrs. Eula W. Yermod
Dear Mrs. George H. Hall

My dear Mrs. Yermod: I am sending you a circular regarding the Travel-
list of library, and am very glad to know that you are considering the
of trying it in your club. If I knew a little better what
books you would like to have, I would know better what to say about
Ladies' selection. You would probably like a library on varied subjects,
and I will ask the department at Albany to send you a list of books
for your approval. If this does not bring you what you desire,
please let me know, and if there is anything more that I can do
shall be glad to hear of it. I am placing the names of these
ladies upon our mailing list, and hope that they will thoroughly
enjoy the course. 

Very cordially,

Oct. 19, 1903.

Oct. 15, 1903.

Mrs. E. P. Johnson
126 | Naywood Ave.,
Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Johnson,

My sister and I wish I might be at the meeting in Syracuse, but must here
be excused. I hope it will be an unusually good meeting. You have a fine
boy. As it is so hard to get such a boy, I think it was a most

My Austin Engineering Co.,
Albany, N. Y.

Our conservation was so marred Saturday that I fear I did not
give you any definite information. As yet we have, strictly speaking, no Domestic a
to.

There has gone to you today by U. S. Express, two pic-
science department in Cornell University. I am giving two lectures a week for twenty
weeks, which will be followed by another twenty weeks of a course on literature in the

Reading course. As the manuscript has been sent to the printer,
home. There is also work on the interior of the home, in the way of building-dec-

May I ask that this work may be done as soon as possible, and cut
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Very truly,

have an enthusiastic department. If your daughter wishes a regular course in
Domestic science I would not advise her to come here at present, although I wish we
might offer such a course for her.

Very cordially,
Mrs. T.H. Holcomb
Winthrop, N. Y.

Mrs. James C. Fernald
West New Brighton, Staten Island, N. Y.

Oct. 20, 1910

My dear Mrs. Fernald,

I am glad to receive your cordial letter and to have the fine list of names which you have sent for the Reading Course. I hope that your good friends enjoyed them and that you can keep at home the Assembly Hall in the great new building we have just completed for the Extension Department of our University, but carefully moved to one side, and visited them when he called.

I regret it exceedingly. There are about a hundred more, and we have never had any of the work done. So far as I know, the Extension Department has been entirely supported by voluntary contributions.

I hope you will make whatever disposition you wish of the pictures when I send them to you today. Our desire is simply to have these pictures go to those whom pleasure of seeing them will be of much benefit. It is not our policy to have anyone feel that they must be urged to take up the work. In other words, we do not want to have anyone feel that their work is not of much benefit.

Very cordially.


Mrs. F.P. Fernald,
128 Noyes Ave.
Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Fernald,

I hope it will be an unusually good meeting. You have a fine organization and a fine program. I hope you will have a good time.

Very cordially,


Our conservation was so hurried Saturday that I fear I did not give you any definite information. As yet we have, strictly speaking, no Domestic Science Department in Cornell University. I am giving two lectures a week for twenty weeks, and you will be interested in having the Extension Reading Course for the last week, which will be followed by another twenty weeks of a course on literature in the home. There is also work on the externals of the home, in the way of building, decorating, growing shrubs, plants, etc. Credit is given in all of this work to the President, with the belief that you will carry the meeting through your college course. At the present time it is impossible to promise a more extended course in domestic science. I hope some day it may come, and think when it does we shall have an enthusiastic department.

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Oct. 26, 1903

Mrs. T. H. Holcomb
Winthrop, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Holcomb:

I was glad to receive your cordial letter, and to have the fine list of names which you have sent for the Reading Courses. I hope the Indians will enjoy them, and that we may know at any time when our department may be of assistance.

Assembly Hall
is the good work which you are doing. I will send each one of these women our Reading Syracuses, N. Y.

 Influence
Our desire is simply to have these list so to those whom they pleasure of sending to St. Lawrence County and to Winthrop.

Very cordially,

We have eighteen thousand women on our list, and are now reinstating those who care the most for the work, and are trying to form clubs among rural women.

Dear Mrs. Raymond:

Mrs. David D. Mead
Assembly Hall,
Syracuse, N. Y.

Our program, and I know it will be exceedingly beneficial.

My dear Mrs. Mead:

I am sending a letter to Mrs. Raymond of which the enclosed is a copy. Should she not be there, may I trouble you to hand the letter to the woman who would be interested in having the Homemaker's Reading Course for her exchange table? A package is sent by express containing the literature to which I refer.

I am positive you are to have a fine meeting, and I send my greetings to you as President, with the belief that you will carry the meeting through very successfully.

Very cordially,
Mrs. champagne West
Mrs. E. Frankel, N. Y.
2214 Fourth Avenue

Dear Mrs. West, York City,

Dear Mrs. Baldwin. In reply to your letter let me say that I would like very much to visit your Grange. In fact I am writing to you today, also that I am going to leave this afternoon for Assembly Hall, University Block, Syracuse, N. Y., and will be back there in the first place. I have already arranged your office by this time. It was very convenient. My father was going to write you in the first place. I have been to many other places and it is not convenient to make such an arrangement, I will take whatever action you wish me to take. I had intended to write you before, but was unable to do so. If you do not wish your letter to appear in the literature department of the Mothers' Congress, I will be glad to have it printed in the same way. My dear Mrs. Raymond, I hope you will make whatever disposition you wish of the package which I send you today. Our desire is simply to have these leaflets go to those who may in any way benefit, but do not want to have anyone feel that people must be urged to take up the work. I hope it will be an unusually good meeting. You have a fine program and I know it will be exceedingly beneficial. I have just heard from Mr. Parker, and will send him a letter. I remember meeting you at Utica and the conversation which we had about your Institute. It will give me great pleasure to call and see you at the time of the Institute. We will have Mr. Mitchell for the drawing, and if it can be arranged, I shall be glad to send the two hundred that you desire. Very truly yours,

Oct. 26, 1902.

Mrs. James M. Eagle
Syracuse, N. Y.
Nov. 2, 1903.

Mrs. Chautauqua West
Mr. E. Bronschweig, N. Y.
287 Fourth Ave.

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I am reply to your letter let me say that I would like very much to visit your Grange. In fig., you kindly write me that your regular time for holding its meetings does not coincide with that of your Grange, and that you would like to make a trip to see us, also what time in the day the meeting would be held. Of course I am happy to have you come, although if it is not convenient to make such an arrangement, I shall take the trip especially.

I thought perhaps you would like to keep the letter which I included from 'your Grange,' putting it in your file, because it is the intention to answer all letters sent to this office which may require it. Either the letter did not reach me, or it was mislaid and neglected. I do not find it on file. If I know who the woman were whose name you sent, I could easily find out whether they are on our lists. If I may trouble you, N. Y. Would like to have you send the names again, and if they are not all in your letter, I will be glad to forward them.

You will receive this letter by return mail. The one on my desk is the first one of the two that were written for you, and which I forwarded to you from Mr. Bronschweig.

Very truly,

Very sincerely,

Nov. 4, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Meyer:

I am your letter regarding my attending the Institute at Marcy, and shall be very glad to do so if it can be arranged. I have not yet heard from Mr. Bronschweig about the two hundred that you desire in January, and will send you a letter from him. I remember meeting you at Utica and the conversation which we had about your Institute. It will give me great pleasure to come and to make the trip if your Institute can be arranged.

There will be still more lessons ready in December. I have found that we have a very limited number of the lesson on saving strength, and it will have to be reprinted in time to send out in January. I am sending you ten copies, however, and wish I might send more. I shall be glad to send them if you desire, but if you will not hesitate to write me again, if you do not get what you wish, because the
Nov. 4, 1903.

Mr. E. F. Baldwin
28V Fourth Ave.
New York City

In reply to your letter of the second inst. regarding my article

on what farmers are reading, let me say that I forwarded this manuscript two or three

days ago, and think it must have reached your office by this time. It was, however,

addressed to Mr. Made, as the request came from him in the first place for the

article. I think I explained that it is longer than the fifteen hundred words.

but I thought perhaps you would like to select from the letters which I included from

farmers' wives, retaining that which you thought would be the most interesting to

the public.

Very truly,

I enclose herewith a Bill of Miss Mitchell's for the two

drawings which she made for the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Courses. The one on measur-

ting was used. The other we did not use, but had instead one from Mr. Parling.

I wish you would fill in what you think should be paid Miss Mitchell for the drawing

she did not use, and O.K. the Bill, if it meets with your approval in other ways.

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if you will remind me of it at that time. Now that I know your desires, I hope

you will not hesitate to write me again, if you do not get what you wish, because the
Nov. 18, 1903.

Mrs. Mary Olive Barry White

*object of the course is to render as much assistance everywhere as possible in women's work, and we entertain no prejudices against organizations. Our work is founded upon other principles than these.*

My dear Mrs. White,

My dear Mrs. Harris:

Your letter of the 4th inst. was received just as I was leaving for a trip. I have read it with much interest, and I regret very much that your letter of a year ago did not receive attention. I want to assure you that it was accidental, because it is the intention to answer all letters sent to this office which may require it. Either the letter did not reach me, or it was mislaid and neglected. I do not find it on file. If I knew who the women were whose names you sent, I could easily find out whether they are on our lists. If I may trouble you to do so, I would like to have you send the names again, and if they are not already on the list, they will be enrolled to receive the lessons. One thing that we want to have the Superintendents of the W. C. T. U. Departments use the course wherever it will be a benefit in their work. One thing we have found to be desirable, and that is, to have names of women sent to us to be placed upon our lists, rather than to send out our lessons in packages. This we can do to some extent, however.

I should be glad to send you any that you may desire to use, if they are in print.

I would suggest that you send for as many as you wish of the lessons which are to be sent out in November, and forward me the names of those to whom we may send direct.

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Very cordially,

Mrs. Delia M. D. Harris

Brighton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Harris:

My dear Miss Johnson:

Nov. 8, 1903.

Very cordially,

Nov. 9, 1903.

My dear Miss Johnson:

I have been much interested in the subject of the course, and am anxious to know the outcome of the work, and to know of your interest in our Farmers' Wives' Institute. I have been very much interested in the subject, and would like to have the names of the women to whom you would like to have sent the course as it seems to me that if a Trade School were offered to be held, it would be desirable, and that is to have names of women sent to us to be placed upon our lists, rather than to send out our lessons in packages. This we can do to some extent, however.

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Mrs. Mary Clumford White

Nov. 12, 1903.

I have been much interested in the subject of
which you have written, and am anxious to know the outcome of the
Miss Ella J. Johnson
Utica, N. Y., in regard to it when I was
Salamanca, N. Y.,
time, and it seemed to me that, if a Trade
My dear Miss Johnson:
School were formed, Amsterdam was definitely in line for that school.
I was very glad indeed to receive your letter
I sincerely hope it will be placed there. It will then interest
and to know of your interest in our Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course.
not only New York City women, but the "up state" women in

My dear Mr. Marshall:
I note in your letter that you say you like to know some one else
I am very glad indeed to hear from you that you are interested
in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. You should have had five lessons last year.
I send you all that have been printed up to date, and you will soon receive the lessons
many of us who are making more of a show, perhaps, and many of us
for this coming year, one a month, beginning with November.
would like to have again the privilege of doing just what you are
I am sorry to know that you have had illness in your family, and hope that
doing. It is a blessed experience, which is a privilege to you,
you will not become too severely overtaxed. It is a blessed thing to be able to
and if it were not done how much unhappiness there would be. So
serve at such times, and one may be thankful for strength with which to do so. The
you see I think you are filling a very important place.
only thing is to be careful not to overdo,
I appreciate your kind interest in what I am doing, and I
V. very cordially,

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Mrs. Mary Olmsted White
24 Paul St.,
Amsterdam, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. White:

Nov. 12f 1903.

I have been much interested in the subject of which you have written, and am anxious to know the outcome of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. If agreeable to you, we would rather have the names of the women to whom you would like to send the course, as it saves some trouble here, and may also save you some trouble in distribution.

I note in your letter that you say you like to know some one else is doing something in the world, even if you are not. I also notice that you say your parents are both in poor health, and that you are housekeeping. Let me say that you are doing more than many of us who are making more of a show, perhaps, and many of us would like to have again the privilege of doing just what you are doing. It is a blessed experience, which is a privilege to you, and if it were not done how much unhappiness there would be.

I appreciate your kind interest in what I am doing, and I think very, very often of the friendships formed throughout Cattar- augus County among the teachers with as much pleasure as I could possibly have now in my new experience.

Let us know at any time if we can send you literature, or be of any assistance in the efforts which you are making to interest the women and the children in your community.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Mary Olmsted White
24 Paul St.
Amsterdam, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. White:

Nov. 13, 1903.

I have been much interested in the subject of which you have written, and am anxious to know the outcome of the Utica meeting. I talked with several in regard to it when I was there even for a short time, and it seemed to me that if a Train School were formed, Amsterdam would be very much at home in that part of the state. I sincerely hope it will be placed there. It will then interest not only New York City women, but the "upstate" woman as well. I shall be glad to let you know if at any time I shall be in your part of the state, as it will be a pleasure for me to stop in the names of the women, I will place their names upon the mailing list, and they will receive each month until March, a copy of the Reading-Course. There will be suggestions for club work, which possibly you may like to follow. Never mind if they do not all answer immediately, as may be desired when I meet the conditions presented, but the quizzes. If they are interested, and a part of them answer, I am sure I can do that which will help the women as much as possible, it will be a matter of growth, and all may in time get interested. I shall be glad for the State Library, Traveling Library, to work in this field, and I hope you may receive your questionnaires, and am very greatly, my led to you for your trouble. I enclosed therewith 25 cents, which is but a slight payment for the picture. The negative is yours, and the prints will be made up, or all day in answering your letter, which you have been kind enough to write to me. I have been busy for the last week, and will try to illustrated, I have been busy for the last week, and will try to illustrated.

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Mr. Wm. Ewing

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Mrs. Ellen Cheney
Poland Center, N. Y.

Nov. 13, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Cheney:

I am very glad indeed to hear from you regarding the club which you have recently formed. Anything which we have is at your disposal, and I hope we may be able to work together. In reply to your letter, let me say that I gave Mr. printing along the line of home work, and if you will send me the names of the women, I will place their names upon the mailing list, and they will receive each month, until March, a copy of the Reading-Course, Woman's Work in Economics. There will be suggestions for club work which possibly you may like to follow. Never mind if they do not all answer the quizzes. If they are interested, and a part of them answer because I want to do that which will help the women as much as possible, it will be a matter of growth, and all may in time get interested. I had thought of writing Mr. Credman that if you have a need to do their part toward answering the quizzes. I send you a package of leaflets which will show you what we are doing in regard to the Traveling Library, which answer all of your questions, I believe. If you will write the State Library, trouble to arrange a lantern, you may think best to send this.

Regents University, Albany, N. Y., they will advise you in regard to the selection of books. I would suggest, however, that you may ask for some special library which is already made up, or tell them what your needs are, and let them make you up a library which you may desire to use for six months. The fee depends upon the number of books. Since you have organized and elected officers, some of you may answer the first quizzes and send to this department. We will then send you a charter showing that you are
regularly organized under this department. I shall then hope to hear from you at various times, if we can in any way be of any assistance. I have an unusual interest in your project since I know you, and feel so much at home in that part of the state.

Very cordially,

Nov. 10, 1903.

Mr. C. A. Zayitz
Guelph, Ontario, Can.

My Dear Sir:—

In reply to your letter, let me say that I gave Mr. Creelman the following subjects, which you may use upon the program:

Monday evening,—The Farm Home.

Tuesday,—Woman's Work in Economics.

I have used these subjects in order to give myself whatever latitude may be desired when I meet the conditions presented, because I want to do that which will help the women as much as possible. I had thought of writing Mr. Creelman that if you have a lantern, and some one to run it, I could illustrate the evening talk. However, as the talk is not a long one, and it is considerable trouble to arrange a lantern, you may think best to omit this. If I do not hear from you, I shall conclude that it is not to be illustrated. I have been away for the last few days, hence the delay in answering your letter.

Very truly yours,
Nov. 14, 1908.

Mrs. Yerxa Morton
Groton, N. Y.

Mr. Morton—

Mr. F. B. Clay—

Fayetteville, New York. I have received three pictures, Moonlight Pictures, together with the two

which were sent separately for the Farmers' Wives' Course, and one which Mr. Spencer desired for his work. I have retained the latter, the pictures, and neglected to write you the name of the three you sent. I did not consult your memorandum as the pictures were not returned with the other three. The Moonlight pictures are to be charged to me personally, and the three others to be charged to the Extension Department, as I have it necessary to do my work there on the Agricultural College. Signify on the bill that one was ordered by Mr. Spencer, an

two by myself. You may send the bill to me or to Prof. Bailey, as you desire.

The pictures are all received. I know how much I am to speak.

If it is to be a general subject, I may speak in the Farm Home Club more than once, you may give the subject Saving Strength in the Home. If a stump speech is to be used, and you desire me to bring slides, I can do so. In this case, it was

advising you to send me topics for this course, since other schools of the same kind.

I will be pleased to hear from you again, that I may know what prepare

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Mr. F. E. Dawley
Fayetteville, N. Y.

Mr. F. E. Cullum
Dear Mr. Dawley:

In reply to your letter received this morning let me say that I
will be glad to go to the Institute at Marcy. Mrs. Myer wrote me that she would
like to have me come, and said that you would probably write me a letter. I replied that I
did not say that we had decided anything about it, but I would go if you desired it,
and nothing was said as to how much work was to be given.

I note that the 16th is on Wednesday. If I have a classroom that day, and would find it
necessary to do my work there on the 16th,

It is difficult to state my subject matter. I know how much I am to speak.

If it is to be a general subject, you may call it "The Farm Home in the Winter," but
with the utmost hesitation. If you desire me to bring slides, I can do so. A talk on this topic
would be in general, farm home topics, for this course, since other schools of the
same kind have been given this for other courses, since other schools of the
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I will be pleased to hear from you again that I may know what preparations
you can offer better advantages. I send a circular giving the courses in the
College of Agriculture, and call your attention to Course 7, p. 15. Should you be
coming to Cornell for other lines of work, and wish to enter this class, we shall
be glad to see you, and to offer any suggestions further that you may desire to
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Very truly,

[Signature]

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if it be read, and you desire me to bring slides, I can do so. A talk on this topic
would be in general farm home topics, for this course, since other schools of the
same kind have been given this for this course, since other schools of the

I will be pleased to hear from you again that I may know what preparations
you can offer better advantages. I send a circular giving the courses in the
College of Agriculture, and call your attention to Course 7, p. 15. Should you be
coming to Cornell for other lines of work, and wish to enter this class, we shall
be glad to see you, and to offer any suggestions further that you may desire to
obtain.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Nov. 19, 1903.

My dear Miss Cullum:

I found a request on my desk some days ago, asking that the work of the late A. Spender be made known to me. I have not been able to obtain the slides, but I can send you a proof of the engravings used, if you care to have them. I have no idea, however, from your letter, that your topic relates to the vertical decoration of the home. Prof. Craig has slides and photographs upon that subject.

In reply to your request regarding a Domestic Science course, let me say that we have no established course in that subject, having for the first time organized this year a course in connection with the College of Agriculture, two hours a week, in which are treated subjects pertaining to home life. This course extends throughout the entire year, although for the first half it is more particularly intended for those persons who are pursuing other lines of work in the University, but who wish to become interested in this subject as a better preparation for home life, or with the intent sometime to take it up more seriously for teaching. I could not advise any one to come here purposely for this course, since other schools of the same kind give more along this line than we are giving. I hope some day, however, that we can offer better advantages. I send a circular giving the courses in the College of Agriculture, and call your attention to Course 7, p. 15. Should you be coming to Cornell for other lines of work, and wish to enter this class, we shall be glad to see you, and to offer any suggestions further that you may desire to obtain.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Mr. Wm. D. Hurd
My de Crore, Maine.

My dear Sir: - I found a request on my desk some days ago, asking that the work of the Forgem. Mr. Spencer, has asked me to write you regarding lantern slides on the subject of Home Decoration. I cannot think now of any photographs which I may have relating to interior decoration. I send you, however, a leaflet just prepared on that subject, and can get you a proof of the engravings used, if you cared to have them. I have no idea, however, from your letter, that your topic relates to the outside decoration of the house. Prof. Craig has slides and photographs upon that subject. I would be very glad indeed to send you anything which I could obtain one, if it were along lines which you desire. If we could use any material already in the plan you mention as a little box near the holidays, since writing you I have decided that Prof. Bailey is willing to do everything. Perhaps I should see him, and talk with my views will continue until the next of January, and it may be possible for me to talk about the idea. I trust that you will enjoy the work of the present year, the first lesson of which is now being mailed. It is not yet determined whether a certificate will be issued to those completing the course at the end of this year, but I am quite positive that there will be one, so it would doubtless add to the interest of the course.

Very sincerely,

Martha Van Renselaer

Nov. 19, 1903.

Mr. Leonhard Felix Fuld
130 E. 110th St.
New York City.

Dear Mr. Fuld:

I have received your answers to quizzes, and find your record is excellent up to date. I wish all of our quizzes showed as much thoughtfulness in answers as yours. I trust that you will enjoy the work of the present year, the first lesson of which is now being mailed. It is not yet determined whether a certificate will be issued to those completing the course at the end of this year, but I am quite positive that there will be one, so it would doubtless add to the interest of the course.

Very sincerely,

Martha Van Renselaer

Nov. 19, 1903.
My dear Mrs. Gage:

I found a request on my desk some days ago, asking that the work of the Farmers' Wives' Course be sent to Miss Hathaway at Solon. These have been sent, together with the Nature Study work. I have found that the edition of Professor Gage's leaflet on "The Toad" is exhausted. However, I have asked to have one of the few left in the office sent to Miss Hathaway. I think this one of the most interesting leaflets ever issued by the Department. Before I came to Ithaca, or thought of coming, I got more out of it than from any other. I wish that Professor Gage would prepare something for BOYS AND GIRLS upon this subject, or some other one, meat in the matter and in fact that I have never seen a more useful leaflet. You mention in a little note about the idea that my work will continue until the middle of January. The question at present is what time you have for arrangement and writing. You cannot say what plan would suit us best regarding the future. I should offer you a certain amount of money for the same's work, and then try to pay it before you seem, or at least have it pledged. I would not like to assume any responsibility in this work, because I am not sure to go to New York at that time.

Very cordially,

Mrs. Sarrah Walrath Lyons
54 W. 105th St.
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Lyons:

I have received your letter, and am interested in what you have said. The subject is of much value, and while I have not had the pleasure of hearing you, your progress would indicate that you are successful. I should be glad to either write Mr. Gage, or speak to him in the near future. I have nothing to do with arranging for lectures in the State, so my personal talk would not be very valuable. However, I am always glad of the opportunity to assist in a good enterprise.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensselaer
Mrs. R. W. Potter
Miss Helen M. Spring

My dear Miss Spring,

I want to thank you for your cordial letter Nov. 19, 1903.

I am pleased with your answer regarding the work in Ithaca, and the course will supply your class. I will see if we can spare them. If not, it can be purchased at normal price, or supplied by the printer, who will sell them on his own account at a slightly lower price. We do not take money for these periodicals at this Department, and it now remains for me to find out whether it can be arranged here. My judgment says that you find some value in them. I do not know whether you will be interested in the matter, and in fact that of those whom I have consulted, is that the date in our Nature Study work. I enclose a circular which will give you an idea of what you mention is a little too near the holidays. Since writing you I have found the work in, and how to obtain it.

My dear Miss Barrows:—

that my work will continue until the middle of January, and it will be as well for us to continue it there, if you can arrange it, to have you come between the first and the middle of January. The question of finances is all that must now be determined, and I will find out in regard to that as soon as possible, and write you. I cannot now say what plan would suit us best regarding payment, but it is my impression that we should offer you a certain amount of money for the work, and then try to pay it before you come, or at least have it pledged. I would not like to assure you a moderate sum and share further proceeds, because I do not want to go into it for a business enterprise.

Very cordially,

Martha Van Rensselaer.

Miss Anna Barrows.
17 Yarmouth St., Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Barrows:—

as I come between two classes in the University, and could not possibly arrange it at this time. D. Should it be so in the future that I could do so, I certainly should be pleased.

Dear Miss Barrows lectured that you like the work which we are trying to do for the farmer's family. It is a pity you did not receive the Reading-Course last year, and we very glad you have written again, because it was owing to some mistake that it did not reach you. I will put you on the list now, so that I think there will be as much difficulty about it, and I sincerely hope you will be much interested in the Course.

Very cordially,
Nov. 23, 1903.

Mrs. R. W. Potter
Miss Helen M. Spring
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Potter:

My dear Miss Spring:-

I want to thank you for your cordial letter. I assure you it is a great satisfaction to know that our efforts are held in appreciation by these women. I am sorry that I did not meet you in St. Louis, but was obliged to get back to my work the next morning.

I would like to send you all that will be of value in your class work, and if you will let me know how many of each number of the Farmers' Wives' Course will supply your class, I will see if we can spare them. If not, it can doubtless be arranged with the printer, who will sell them on his own account at a nominal price. We do not take money for these periodicals at this Department. I enclose a circular which will give you an idea of what the work is, and how to obtain it.

I am glad you find some value in them. I do not know whether you will be interested due largely to my experience as School Commissioner for six years in Cattaraugus in our Nature Study work. I enclose a circular which will give you an idea of what the work is, and how to obtain it.

Very cordially,

Hoping for your continued interest in the Reading Course.

Very sincerely,

Nov. 23, 1903.

Miss Pratt:-

I have your letter asking me to be with you when I come to Guelph, and I wish I might arrange to do so. However, I have to make a very hurried trip, as I come between two classes in the University, and could not possibly arrange it this time. Should it be in the future that I could do so, I certainly would be pleased.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Nov. 23, 1903.
Mrs. R. W. Potter  
Mrs. State Bridge, N. Y.  
School of Technology,  
My dear Mrs. Potter,  

My dear Mrs. Richard, I want to thank you for your cordial letter. I assure you it is a great satisfaction to know that our efforts are held in appreciation by those we are corresponding with whom we are corresponding in the work of the Reading-Course. I am sorry that I did not meet you in St. Louis, but was obliged to get back to my work the next morning early. Since you have asked me regarding my knowledge of farm life, I will say that I was born and brought up in a small village in Western New York, a fine little place surrounded by a good farming country. My interest in farm life, however, is due largely to my experience as School Commissioner for six years in Cattaraugus County, where I had over 150 school districts to visit, a large number of which were rural. I have a very high estimate of the farming population in our state, and believe in their standing out prominently in good citizenship and the work they are doing, since they are so well qualified to do so.

Hoping for your continued interest in the Reading-Course, I am,  

Very sincerely,  

[Signature]

Nov. 23, 1903.

Mrs. Artemia L. Codd  
R. D. No. 1,  
Wellsville, N. Y.  

Dear Miss Chase:  

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the Farmers' Reading-Course. I am glad to place the names which you have sent me upon the list. I am sorry that you like the work which we are trying to do for the farmer's family. It is a great deal of interest I assure you, and am very glad you have written again, because it was owing to some mistake that it did not reach you. I will put you on the list now, so that I think there will be no more difficulty about it, and I sincerely hope you will be much interested in the Course.

Very cordially,
Nov. 23, 1903.

Mrs. B. H. Richards
School of Technology,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Richards:-

Mrs. Florence N. Reynolds shall begin unpacking it today. It will be placed in Barnes Hall, one of the buildings of this University.

In reply to your inquiry regarding literature, I will let you know when I find out how many should already have it. It would be well to have copies of the works. Perhaps a report on sale may be written, if not known whether there would be a demand for them. They are excellent reports, which ought to be in the hands of students of Domestic Science. Books, which I happen to have, and which I think may suggest something to you. Keep them as long as you wish. Very sincerely, yours, and then mail them back to me of your convenience. More clubs print their literature together with the program, and these are the ones which I shall try to send you. I shall try to help in the same way as at the time of a club meeting. I shall circulate the list of looking at you, informally at a meeting, if that will not be before 1904, however.

Miss Susan Chase
Buffalo State Normal, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Miss Chase:-

I want to thank you for your cordial letter regarding the Farmers' Reading-Course. I am glad to place the names which you have sent me upon the mailing list, both for the Farmers and the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Courses. I am very glad indeed that you like the work which we are trying to do for the farmer's family. It has a great deal of interest I assure you.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Nov. 28, 1903.
Nov. 28, 1903.

Mrs. Florence N. Reymond
Phoenix, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Reymond:

17 Yarmouth St.,
Boston, Mass.

I am very glad indeed to hear again from The Happy Seven, and I will see that the names which you have sent me are entered to receive the regular work. We have never issued any by-laws for clubs, but possibly I can find something which may help you along this line. It will doubtless be in the line of literature of Club Year Books, which I happen to have, and which I think may suggest something to you. Keep these as long as they will be of service, and then mail them back to me at your convenience. Some clubs print their by-laws together with the program, and these are the ones which I shall try to send you. Should I ever happen to be in your part of the state at the time of a club meeting, I shall claim the privilege of looking in upon you informally at a meeting. That will not be before 1904, however, I am glad you wrote me the situation, and I cordially gave it to Miss Hall and her committee to decide who shall be called. I am sure Mrs. Lincoln will be very welcome, and if arrangements are made for her to come, I shall do all that I can to make her stay in Ithaca pleasant. I am very greatly obliged to you for your kind attention to this.

Very cordially,

Martha the Rectorian.
Mrs. Mary Logan Tucker

Miss Alice Barrows
17 Yarmouth St., N.Y.

My dear Miss Barrows:

Replying to your letter of April 10 in reference to this work, I received your letter regarding Mrs. Lincoln, and have communicated the subject to Miss Hall, in whose hands it has been placed. Miss Hall has been in my class for several weeks, but I did not have the opportunity to communicate the letters written by New York women for her. It is possible that she was thinking of this line of work for the Kindergarten, which is, in fact, a commercial interest in the work of Extension in Agriculture, since the latter is a kind of work. My plan was only to bring the work before my class and before the Kindergarten Association, whether it be in my class or not. The plan is to bring the work before my class and before the Kindergarten Association, whether it be in my class or not. I have the plan that the Kindergarten Association makes arrangements, and it will be better for us to do so. I am glad to know that you are taking an interest in any work which may help them than to have one all our own, and that they will undertake the same work as is necessary in your community, and I hope you will time. I am sorry that the prospect does not look favorable for your being here, but it is only by any other means, I am sure Mrs. Lincoln will be very welcome, and if arrangements are made for her to come, I shall do all that I can to make her stay in the State, and I am, Ithaca pleasant. I am very greatly obliged to you for your kind attention to this matter and call upon you. Very sincerely,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Fair Woolsey
Nov. 28, 1902.

Mrs. Mary Logan Tucker
Mrs. N. Hal Bragg Parke

Averiss, Mo. In going to your Groves I ask you at the expense of the
Palmerine, N. Y. 

Necessary. Twice in present here in Carnegie. Our work is under state appro-
riations. We try to_replying to your letter to draft髦ive relative to the work. We
have

.lineTo keep up the leaflets which have

been circulated among the farmers' wives of New York. State culture
differs in this world's work, the board is under state appropriation. If you

thought property to come under the head of Extension in Agriculture, since the first

where has so much to do with progress in the struggle. The work is intensely interest-
ing, as you may well know from the observance to which you refer in your letter.

I assure you that we should be glad to assist you in any way possible in any work which

you wish to undertake with the farmers' wives in your community, and I hope you will

tell me of any way that I can be of service. Of course we can send but a limited

number of leaflets outside of the state, whereas a few sent on each subject will

not complete substitutes are always near. If you come to Ithaca I shall hope to

meet you. When you reach the city, I shall arrange to see you when you first arrive, be

sure and call upon me.

Very sincerely,

Very cordially

[Signature]

[Signature]
My Dear Mrs. Heldomba:

Mrs. N. H. Bronkville

I am going to your Groone I would go at the expense of the

Sulhamon, N. Y.

My dearest Bronkville represent here in Cornell. Our work is under state appropriation. My dear Miss Johnson:

Nov. 26, 1905.

Nov. 28, 1905.

My dear Mr. Bronkville:

I am glad to hear that you are interested in the lessons of the

Farmers' Institute Reading Course, and particularly glad to know that you think of coming
to Ithaca. I feel pretty certain that you will enjoy the Short Course in Agriculture

offered at this University. Several ladies take the course each winter, and find

reading use in it which not only interests them, but which is very instructive. The work

which you have taken elsewhere will make it valuable to you I would think. I have

been shown that the books are very valuable. In any particular thing you desire, or you can

ask Mr. Fletcher who has charge of the Short Course, to write you regarding it.

I am sure that your four years at Emerson College will be of special value to you in

the work which you take up in the application of your agricultural knowledge. It is

proper while to learn now to present things well, and I have a high idea of the

courses in Emerson College. I am sorry I missed you at the Warsaw Institute, but my

trips to those Institutes are always short. If you come to Ithaca I shall hope to

meet you often, and if I can be of any assistance to you when you first arrive, be

sure and call upon me.

Very cordially,

Walter Van Raafwolde.
Nov. 26, 1903.

My dear Mrs. Holcomb:

Miss Ellia Johnson,

Dear Mrs. Keietiribs:

We are going to your Grange I would go at the expense of the
Salamanca, N. Y.

Department which I represent here in Cornell. Our work is under state appropri-
below that it is a good thing to meet the women in the bank
Wives' Reading-Course has been established and entered upon our list
Granges, and at their meetings. I should be governed little by circumstances, but
you for them, and I hope there will be much interest among them.
would talk about the Farm Home. I think you have given us some good points in the
reading. If a club is formed, and a library ordered you are good points in the
remark which you made to the master. I wish I were able to do that particular thing
that you desire, or you can ask the librarian at Albany to make up
very feasibly. I would be able to speak both in the afternoon and evening, provided
the places are near enough together. It is difficult to leave my work here,
and I do not like to have too much time between the meetings. I shall be more at
liberty later in the year than now, and perhaps it will be quite as convenient for me
I shall be much interested in this work.
you then. You are a stranger, although I do not find it convenient to get into the
and the first quarter next, I shall do my best to have the meetings very
for their regular work.

Wishing you a pleasant year in Grange work, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Dr. Edith W. Roopman
Nov. 30, 1903.

Dear Miss Johnson,

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and hope you will enjoy the work. I have not had much experience in upholstering, but what little I have done has been in the line of upholstering boxes for window seats. I secured a furniture dealer an upholstering needle and told him the books are for a rural club. It was some little time to get which was long, and could be pushed through my cushion with the thimble, and it is well to send the order as early as possible. Should you wish to thread intended to the dye, one of these I strong please bring mention some books which you want, and let them supply the rest, you could do so. Mr. S. 3. was raising on the thread used to passe through the cushion, so that it remained in place where the cushion was tied. This might not be the first quizzing sent in, we shall be glad to send our charter desirable in all upholstering, however. Some persons use a button covered with the same material. Hair can be secured from the furniture store, or excelsior makes very good packing, and is less expensive. The material used to upholster needs to be pretty strong. I should think cushions for vehicles might be made in the same way. I will keep your request in mind, however, and hope I may be able to prepare something for you.

Hoping that this will be of some service to you, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Nov. 26, 1903.

Miss A. M. Armstrong
Baltic C. I., Mayfield, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Hugh McVitty
Miss Mila Johnson,
Wine, R. S. C. M., N. Y.
Salamanca, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. McVitty:

Miss Mila Johnson:

I shall be very glad to have that your request is attended to. That very useful tool is a very desirable, but I am informed that a pair of scissors is much more generally used. Very truly,

[Signature]
Nov. 30, 1903.

Mrs. Hugh McNulty
Box 146,
Bay Shore, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. McNulty:

I take pleasure in placing your name upon our mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and hope you will enjoy the work.

I have not had much experience in upholstering, but what little I have done has been in the line of upholstering boxes for window seats. I secured from a furniture dealer an upholstering needle which was long, and could be pushed through my cushion with the thread intended to tie it. In one of these I strung plain, brass buttons on the thread used to pass through the cushion, so that it remained in place where the cushion was tied. This might not be desirable in all upholstering, however. Some persons use a button covered with the same material. Hair can be secured from the furniture store, or excelsior makes very good packing, and is less expensive. The material used to upholster needs to be pretty strong. I should think cushions for vehicles might be made in the same way.

Hoping that this will be of some service to you, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Nov. 30, 1903.

Mrs. A. E. Compston,
M. J. H. D., 256 W. 47th St.,
Dear Mrs. Compston:

I shall be very glad indeed to see that your work is making progress.

I have been engaged in attending Institute work lately, and hope that your work will receive the same attention as mine. Even though it is not convenient for you to answer the question.

I shall have occasion to attend Institute work in the future, and hope that your work will be as successful as mine.

I have noticed that Institute work is very successful, and hope that your work will be as successful as mine.

Very truly yours,

Nov. 30, 1903.

Mr. H. F. Comstock,
Mr. S. R. Poole,
Ottawa, Ont., Canada.

Dear Sir:

I was glad to hear from you, and I hope you will take the trouble to answer this letter. I have noticed that Institute work is very successful, and hope that your work will be as successful as mine.

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Very truly yours,
Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Copy of your paper has been received containing the notice of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and I wish to thank you for the courtesy extended in publishing it. Owing to certain changes in the agricultural department of Cornell University, the newspaper is a very acceptable means of reaching the farming community, and I have the pleasure of informing you that you will soon receive the Lessons of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I am glad to know that you are enjoying the work.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

November 30, 1903.
Miss Cora Lee Kinsey

Mrs. D. W. Work, N. Y.

Harmon, Colorado,

Dear Miss Kinsey,

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter today I can tell you that you will soon receive a copy of the Farmers' Weekly, which contains the account of your trip to New York. This paper is in the hands of Mr. Batley, who has agreed to send it to you.

Mr. Batley has also given me permission to use his name and address to any interested parties. I have been in communication with him regarding the matter, and I hope that you will be pleased with the result.

Very truly,

[Signature]

[Address]

Dear Sir:

Copy of your paper has been received containing the notice of the Farmers' Weekly, and I wish to thank you for the courtesy extended in publishing it. The newspaper is in a very acceptable form of reaching the farming community, as we find those who are most interested in the extension of scientific help among farm and home lines are those who take the papers.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Nov. 20, 1903.

Miss Cornelia Kinsey
East Greenbush, N. Y.

Dear Miss Kinsey,

In reply to your letter of May 25, 1904, I am glad to know that you will soon receive No. 4 of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and during the year may expect Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive. Owing to a readjustment of duties in the Agricultural College, our printing is somewhat later this year. I am glad to know that you are interested in the course, and am sending to Mrs. Morris the lessons. There are no fees, as this Institute of Technology, work is provided with state appropriation for women in New York State who are interested in this subject.

Richard

I enclose a circular explaining in regard to the Domestic Science Exhibit which is to be opened at the Agricultural College. It includes a table to be made and a basket to be woven.

I have been told by the principal of the Home Economics Department of the Institute of Technology that it is very nice to have the courses put into shape, and that they are very much interested in these courses. I will return the tickets and order the books as soon as possible.

I have had the pleasure of seeing the pictures and have been very much interested. I hope you will enjoy the exhibit, and I am sure you will enjoy the lecture on the subject of the Domestic Science.

I am very much interested in having the exhibit here, and if you have been interested in the subject, I am sure you will be interested in the exhibit.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

Martha Van Rensselaer

There are three pictures from which I should like to have copies made for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, two copies for the magazine BOYS AND GIRLS, one of the pictures for the magazine. I would like to have some copies made for the magazine, and if you have any others that you would like to have copies made, please let me know.

The pictures for BOYS AND GIRLS are of the Playhouse, which I have an interest in. I would like to have a copy of the playhouse, and if you will direct me to whom to write in regard to obtaining information concerning it, I would be very grateful.

Very cordially,
I have been pleased to have your letter and understand that it will be sent on to Mr. Gould and Mr. Leach.

I am glad to know that you are going to be with us for a few days. I shall be very glad to have you here. I hope that you will enjoy your stay with us.

I am going to write a circular explaining in regard to the Domestic Science exhibit which is to be passed on to Mr. Gould and Mr. Leach.

It is best to have one of our home economists present when the exhibit is opened, and I have tried to see that it is done by a woman who is the representative of the home economics department.

I therefore shall not have the exhibit passed on to Mr. Gould and Mr. Leach until I have a chance to give it to you. I will have a chance to give it to you and I shall write a letter to the woman who brought the exhibit and to the woman who will be with you.

Six or eight of the pictures have been taken and the woman who will be with you will take the exhibit and ship it. Six or eight of the pictures have been taken and the woman who will be with you will take the exhibit and ship it. Six or eight of the pictures have been taken and the woman who will be with you will take the exhibit and ship it.

I have thought seriously of presenting the exhibit to the railroad company. I am writing to Mrs. Maddox of Buffalo, suggesting that you ask her to have in her exhibit what you have brought here. It was an idea that I thought of, but I would have written the letter for her without your advice in regard to it. However, the idea will be in the hands of the woman who will be with you and you are free to do as you think best in regard to it. We feel that we have been highly favored in having the exhibit here.

There are three pictures from which I should like to have a copy made—one for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, one for the magazine BOYS AND GIRLS, and one for which I need you. The one for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course in one of a series.

Sewing Laundry pictures. If there is any objection to this, of course let you to express it. The pictures for BOYS AND GIRLS, if of the Playhouse, which I have an idea was made at Springfield, I would like very much in the magazine to tell about this playhouse, and if you will direct me to whom to write in regard to obtaining information concerning it. Very cordially,

[Signature]

Mrs. Harry L. Madden
933 Elmwood Ave.
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Madden:

I enclose a circular explaining in regard to the Domestic Science exhibit which is to be sent to St. Louis next summer. It occurs to me that as chairman of the Home Economic Department of the Federations, it would be very nice if you would get it to Buffalo. It would need a pretty good sized room in which to display it, and I wondered if there was not an opportunity in the Industrial Union. It consists largely of pictures, charts, plans, about five cases of under-clothing, a few fabrics, etc. If you would like it, will you write at once to Mrs. Ellen Richards, Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass. The only expense attending it is to pay the freight from the point from which you receive it. There is some other expense, such as packing, unpacking, and drainage. Probably your entire expense would be not far from eight dollars. You might be able to divide this among the Clubs. We have it here now, and shall be through with it the middle of next week, ready to send it on wherever Mrs. Richards indicates, and I have told her that if you want it you will write her at once.

I am wondering if you have sent out a letter to the Clubs, or whether you have thought of sending it in touch with the work they are doing in domestic science. You may think best to send a circular letter suggesting plans, in order to determine what work they are attempting along the lines of domestic science this year. This letter can be mimeographed. The Federation now has a mimeograph in charge of Mrs. Shuler, which I suppose can be utilized for this kind of work.

I should be glad to assist you in any way you may suggest.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1903

Mrs. Laura M. Meyer
Marcy, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Meyer:

I want to thank you for your cordial letter assuring me of a welcome to Marcy. I shall be very glad indeed to be in your house. I shall probably go as far as Utica the night before Mark Butler. Marcy the next morning. I do not know whether there is not a street car line, but I judge I will be with you by 9:12 A. M., according to my November time table. If there is a street car, I may come on that. I am obliged to be back for aid you in your work in the Mothers' meetings. If you wish to take up a subject at each meeting, we can supply the leaflets for you to use. I would suggest that you report to us at 12:00, giving the names of the women, with their postoffice address.

After the first guides are sent in we will send our charter, and shall hope to keep in touch with you as the work progresses. I send a blank upon which these names may be written. Upon the receipt of this blank I will have sent the first lesson to each woman in the club. I hope you will write me at all times when we may furnish any assistance.

I assure you it is a help to us to have the Mothers' organizations to cooperate with. I think the Mothers' meetings are a power for good, but it in the January Num-

Very cordially,

Christmas stories for December, however, because we had few enough and decided to shorten it in this way in making your story in next month.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1903

Mrs. Laura M. Meyer
Marcy, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Meyer: —

I want to thank you for your cordial letter assuring me of a welcome to Marcy. I shall be very glad indeed to be in your home. I shall probably go as far as Utica the night before, and on the Marcy the next morning. I do not know whether there is not a street car line, but I judge I will be with you by 9:12 A. M., according to my November time table. If there is a street car, I may come on that. I am obliged to be back for my class the next morning, thus cutting my visit short, for which I am sorry. However, I shall be glad to see you even for a short time.

Very cordially,


Mrs. Helen Wells
116 Onondaga St.
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Wells: —

I have had all of the story Harry and the Magic Powder set up, but decided to start it in the January number because we had two or three Christmas stories for December, and I saw that the magazine was going a little beyond what I had planned for it in size for December. I do not want to make it smaller in a later number, so decided to shorten it in this way by cutting your story in next month.

Very cordially,

March 2, 1912, New York.

Miss Isabel Devlin
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Miss Devlin:—

I note that you are going to have the exhibit next, and I want to make some explanations regarding the objections of Mrs. Richards to have it put into first-class condition, and send the bill to her. I have just returned from a trip to Canada, and before I went away I had the men who was to do the cleaning remove all of the things to a room where they could be locked.

I am informed that he has packed them, and called the boxes.

I will see him as soon as possible, and if they are already packed, I believe it will be better to send them to you, and let you have them unpacked. The breakages consist of a large glass in one case, and the glass in your picture which hung on the wall. I hope I may be able to send it away, because I shall be sorry to have trouble with that man, it could not be a part of your understanding. I had it ordered for your packing, and the exhibit opened Saturday afternoon, and I was not able to watch the packing, and I hope I might. However, we had an experienced packer, and it was everything in all right. Things are getting the way we want. I hope you will not be affected by this. I have been to the museum in Toronto, and I suppose I shall have to prepare a short paper on the subject of a slide-linen cloth, if it is now considered necessary. A very pleasant letter from Miss Brown, and I hope Anticipating much pleasure in meeting you, I am,

Very truly yours,
There is so much to do.

The difficulty in the farm home is that the men settle down to work all day, and the women wait in the house and wait, and both of them get to a point where they will not dress up for outsiders, much less for visitors. Mrs. Smith's son, William

Mrs. J. C. Parks will help to keep life a little brighter for them, and

Dear Mr. Parks, as given, so I believe I would have that work and

your opinion. I am using my best judgment relative to the Farmers' Dress, having seen and spoken to farmers and different

ing your own words, I believe that it is an expression of doubt to

the Farmer's condition on too low a plane. It is thought by many

that they have as many comforts and privileges as any class of

people. We try to write for the largest number of our readers,

and I suppose we fail in a good many cases to reach the upper

class, and the best class, to have but on our list about 1,000

or 1,500 women, most of whom are bright and intelligent, and a very

pleasant class of people with whom to work. I knew the kind of

women you speak, but, of course, it would not do to write for them

alone.

I don't believe I agree with you in regard to the table cloth.

A white oil cloth is better than no table cloth at all, but I be-

lieve meals would taste much better of a white linen cloth, if it is possible to obtain it. Perhaps the points in regard
to ironing without creases would not be practical in a farm home.
where there is so much to do.

One difficulty in the farm home is that the man settles down
to work out of doors, and the woman stays in the house and works
all day, and both of them get to a point where they will not dress
up for outsiders, much less for each other. A little dressing of flowers
on the table will help to keep life a little brighter for them, and
if they did simple things more, the insane asylums would not receive
so many farmers' wives, so I believe I would have less work and
more flowers. At least that is a good standard, and have done
admirably as possible.

I am glad

L.

'hearn.
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1903.

Mrs. S. H. Perdue.


My dear Miss Perdue:

In reply let me say that I am anticipating much pleasure in meeting you, and in attending the meeting of the Association and Institute.

I shall want to be as near you as possible, and will plan to be in the city for the purpose of looking around in calm and relaxed frame of mind.

However, that I have not this year on account of stopping the work, and making arrangements for the next year, I shall find myself hurrying back when the work is completed there. I thank you most cordially for your invitation, and if I have an opportunity to be in your home, it will give me great pleasure.

I appreciate your kind explanation regarding the place.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
The letter begins with a greeting and an introduction:


The body of the letter discusses the location and nature of an event, possibly a meeting or gathering:

"My dear Mrs. Farnsworth,..." 

The text then moves on to discuss the details of the event, mentioning dates and locations:

"...the meeting of the manufacture..." 

The letter ends with a closing remark:

"Very cordially,"

"[Signature]"

Dear Mr. Bech -

In my efforts to interest young people in rural life, I have written to various leaders in farm work and home economics. I am especially interested in the right person to find the reasons for teaching gardening and farm work in schools. The Department with which I am connected has men in it who have tried all at their tongue’s end. They are Prof. Bailey, Prof. Craig, and Mr. John W. Spencer. My own line of work is in connection with home economics, which, I think, should be taught in the schools. Every girl has something to do with the home, and it is the art of living with which she is most closely connected in after life. If she boards, she needs to understand the art of home life, in order to make her world approach as near to a real home as possible. There is a great need for work in homes and boarding houses. If she is a housekeeper and hires her work done, there is every reason for her having a correct knowledge of the subject, or else there is much efficiency lost on the part of her servants. If she does her own work, the happiness of all concerned are dependent upon her knowledge. This appeals to men as well as to women, since they have an opportunity of knowing how dependent one is upon his home surroundings. Physiology is taught in the schools, the names of the bones are drilled upon, but few girls learn what food should be furnished in the daily diet, to produce an element to the bones, teeth and nerves. There are those who must avoid starch in food, but the average girl is not taught the difference between protein and carbohydrates. Girls may be taught to paint a picture, and
To reply to your letter, I am sending you the...
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people on the farm, a larger interest in their work and less of seeming drudgery to them. Young people go into school in the rural districts, learn things from the text book, and go to and from school with their arms closed. A boy who came here for the agricultural course, who had had a full high school course, told me that he should go back to the farm and see something of the trees more than a" just" fir wood, and that now he was interested in farming, before he did it because his father was a farmer, and he supposed it was the usual way to do it. But now he is interested and is doing it.

Men who stand around complaining of the lot of the farmers, are not the men who take an active interest in the improvement of their stock and the possibilities of their soil. The chemistry of the soil is of as much interest as any other chemistry now taught in the schools. The treatment of plants, and vegetation generally, may be more interesting from an economic standpoint, to any who may ever own a piece of land, and yet this is not usually what is taught to a class in botany.

You have an interesting topic before you, and I believe you will be very successful in its treatment.

very sincerely,

[Signature]
Miss Mabel Potter Baggett
634 E. 107th St.
New York City.

Dear Miss Baggett:

In reply to your letter I am sending you the
literature of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and would refer
you to an article by Prof. Bailey, in the November "World's Work",
Mrs. Mary B. Beardley herself, in the first December issue of the
"Outlook." Copeland's three are upon this subject, and may give
you a very useful, practical course which will help you in preparing what you wish.

I am sorry, but I am unable to furnish the names
Sara's women for the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and shall be
especially interested in these clubs as they are among the whither
hence not the better, unless those are new names to begin them, if
with desire No. 14 rather than with the first Lesson No. 4. However, I
will do as you say about it, and I ask that you send to each one of these
women, eleven Lessons, but they would come all in a bunch, and I
think there would not be as good work, as if I begin with Lesson ten,
No. 1 now, and continue them during the months to follow, or else,
when I come to the first year's work in a bunch, and they could be
with the second year's work. I will you kindly write me, since
you know the circumstances, and tell me which you would rather is
would be. I enclose a roster upon which you kindly give the
name of the club, and the president and secretary, after which,
first quizzes come back, I will send you a sheet of questions.
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the to add in an long date in the secretarial.

In order that each may have a discussion on the first
evening, I will send an extra mimeographed copy of Lessons
the Johnson, which I hope to
some of the clubs which are in rural dis-

very truly,

Miss H. M. H. W.
Miss Mabel Potter Daggert
834 E. 187th St., Clubs, because already we have a large de-
New York City.

Dear Miss Daggert:

In reply to your letter I am sending you the
literature of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and would refer
you to an article by Prof. Bailey, in the November "World's Work",,
also to an article by myself, in the first December issue of the
"Outlook," These articles are upon this subject, and may give
you some information which will help you in preparing what you wish.

I am sorry, but I cannot report a club that is very near
Syracuse.

I can see that it might be a poor time to inter-
I was thinking only a day or so ago that I should like to
have some photographs of women as they are in the Clubs, etc., Illinois,
and should you desire further information, please advise me.

I do not know very cordially at anything beneficial to you
for your work, but would be glad to do so if I could. I think all
clubs ought to take up a few "Ithaca," N. Y., Dec. 15, 1905.

Miss Juniatia L. Shepperd
St. Anthony Park, Minn.

Dear Miss Shepperd:

Your letter to Prof. Bailey, and one to Miss
McClosey, have been referred to me, and in reply I will let you say that
I should be very glad to have your book upon Household Science.

I hope I may send you a copy of "The Science of Housekeeping," which I
shall do if I have a chance. The book is a very good one, and you will find
it most interesting. I shall also send you one of the articles by Miss
Wells, which I hope I may have time to write for "World's Work."

I am glad to write you, and tell you what I think about the book,
I will send it to you on the condition that you will send it to any others which
can be of interest to you.

Very truly,

[Address]
to force this upon any clubs, because already we have a large demand, and it is not necessary now to push the matter, in order to get it before the women. I think it is always best in such matters not to urge it unduly, so I leave it all to your judgement.

I hope the work will afford you much pleasure during the year. I shall be glad to see you that no. 19, Dec. 15, 1903.

Mrs. Henry S. Madden
383 Blawood Ave.
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Madden:

I can see that it might be a poor time to interest people in a Domestic Science exhibit. It has been arranged that it go to the State Association of Domestic Science in Illinois, and will start this week.

I do not know that I can suggest anything beneficial to your work, but would be glad to do so if I could. I think all clubs ought to take up a few home topics each year for discussion, and for reading. It always adds an unusual interest to a meeting when these things are touched upon. I think I should suggest that this be done, and that if you wish, have reports sent to you of the discussions. The year that I was chairman of this committee, I asked each club to appoint one person who should report this work to me, and this should arrange for such topics to be considered.

Anything which can be furnished from this Department on that subject, I shall be glad to have you or the clubs write me about.

We have a large membership on our Reading-Course along these lines. Much of the reading is not as well suited for city women, but we will send it to any who may desire it within the state.

Under separate cover I send you literature which will show you what we are doing. Should the clubs which are in rural districts, wish to take up this course of reading in connection with
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I hope the work will afford you much pleasure during the year. I shall be glad to see you at Angola Jan. 26th.

Mrs. E. Holcombe: very cordially,

for us with our present arrangements, to organize a club outside of New York State, but I will send you the literature from month to month. I would be incapable when I have your letter, and believe you are a very energetic woman. You have been so specific in your arrangements, that it would be a pleasure to travel under your arrangements. Now as to time, that is a mere difficult matter. As Mrs. A. Weller, Oct. 22nd, my work in the University would not permit me to leave before the first of January, as I have Dear Mrs. Weller:— two lectures a week which I cannot very well leave. I find since your letter, that my work is to last until Jan. 21st. I wonder to start you upon the work for a club, providing there are enough if it can be put off until that time, I would probably arrange interested to take it up in that way. You are at liberty to ask for the special books you desire, or you can ask the Librarian, it will be, I will tell you the time that I can arrive. at Albany to send you ten books, telling him about the work you of the work you intend to do. When you have your list, I should be glad to have near enough so that they can be reached easily. I shall be glad the names, with the names of the clubs and officers upon the club. indeed to make as much use of the time as possible while there. sheet which I send you.

I shall consult with Prof. Bailey, our Director, and write you. I hope you will write me in any way I can to do any assistance to you.

I shall be glad to meet Mr. Know, and to become interested in his work, and to be in your home. That will be a great pleas-

Very cordially,
I have your letter, and am glad to know that you are interested in the New York Women's Reading Course. We have an appreciation for carrying on this work, and it is always a pleasure for me to hear from our New York State members. I am always glad to help people start off on the right foot.

For us, with our present arrangements, to organize a club outside of New York State, it would be impossible without your help. You have in mind the list you sent us, and if it were possible for us to include New York State members, I would be very glad you would send us the names of some energetic women who have been so specific in your arrangements. We are not very good at the club making, but if you would be willing to make the list yourself, or very good at making a list, I would be very glad you would make the list and send it to me.

I am told you in my letter of Oct. 22nd, my work in the University of New York would not permit me to leave before the first of January, as I have two lectures a week which I cannot very well leave. I find since I began writing you, that this work is to last until Jan. 21st. I wonder if it can be put off until that time. I would probably arrange last week, and did not get the literature to you, so that you might be there most of the week, and as soon as we decide which week to use it at the time of your meeting. I think it will be a capital plan for you to have a women's section, and pursue the work of the Women's Reading Course if you will find the blue blank, near enough so that they can be reached easily. I shall be glad to give you any information about the officers and members, we will start the day to make as much use of the time as possible while there, and I shall send you any material which will be helpful to you in your work. I can mention these points by letter, and I shall consult with Prof. Bailey on the subject of the course, and his suggestions will be essential in the work you are interested in.

I shall be glad to meet you, and to become interested in your work, and to be in your homes. That will be a great pleasure.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

[Date: Dec. 15, 1903]
Miss M. Ethel Elliott
41x573,
Dec. 15, 1903.

Dear Miss Elliott:

I am writing this letter to let you know that you are interested in the Women's Reading Course. I have no supervision for carrying on this work extensively yet, and only a few New York State women are always glad to help. If you start an enterprise such as you have in mind, it would be very helpful when you are with our present arrangements, to organize a club outside of New York State. I will send you the literature from time to time, and if it helps you in the club, I shall be very glad. Can you make out the list yourself, or you very cordially think you can make out the list yourself, or you very cordially think you can make out the list yourself. I send you literature that will help you. I wish you very much success, I am,

By dear Mrs. York:

I regret very much that I was away from home last week, and did not get the literature to you, so that you might use it at the time of your meeting. I think it will be a capital plan for you to have a women's section, and pursue the work of the Women's Reading Course. If you will fill out the blue blank, giving the names of the officers and members, we will start the course and especially glad I know that the lessons Lessons to them at once. Let me know at any time when we can send you any material which will be helpful to you in your work. We are very cordially interested in this club.

Very cordially,

I am glad to acknowledge your letter, since it is always encouraging to know that our readers are interested in the work we are doing.
Mrs. Mae True
Forestville, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. True:

I am sending you literature which will give you some ideas as to the manner of forming a club in your locality. I hope you will be very successful in this, and that you will let us be of any assistance possible to you. It may be slow work at first, but it will do a great deal of good, I assure you, when it is done.

In reference to the State Library, you will see that you can get the number of books that you desire. You can make out the list yourself, or you can ask to have them make your list.

I send you literature that will help you to form a Farmers' Club, as well as a Farmers' Wives' Club, as you may wish to have them together.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1903.

Mrs. W. Dickson
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 23, 1903.

Mrs. Gordon Woodbury
Manchester, N. H.

Dear Mrs. Woodbury: In the "Sunday Express" of Dec. 16th, we noticed the article "I-"-"-I-. I should like them for our Farmers' Weekly, and was interested in the work of the reading course. I am sending you a package containing the work which my class has completed, and I hope you will continue your course when the end of the term is reached.

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The other pictures, as large and I will ask you to send me a print of the photograph or that of the photograph and put of "I-"-"-I-. If you have any regarding the reading of women or "I-"-"-I- I will be interested to read an article on that subject.

I hope that you will continue your course when the end of the term is reached.

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Pittsford, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1933.

Dear Mr. Bragg:

In the "Sunday Express" of Dec. 5th, appeared two excellent pictures. I should like them for our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, some copies of which I send you under separate cover. The one "Getting Ready for a Chicken Dinner" is suitable size for our leaflets, as it can be saved down a little. The other would be altogether too large, and I will ask you to send me the photograph of that, and the photograph and cut of "Getting Ready for a Chicken Dinner." Will you please put them into a separate bill, and make it out to the Extension Department, College of Agriculture, Cornell University, and send it to me.

Relative to the cuts and photographs which have recently arrived, and the bill accompanying them, before I send check I would like to say that I have made a mistake in ordering two or three of those, since they are too large for BOYS AND GIRLS. I am sorry I have made this mistake, and will not ask you to exchange these cuts for the photographs unless you can do so without too much trouble. If it can be done I should be glad to send them along the same bill to you, and will return the bill to be rectified before sending check. I feel that you are favoring me in supplying me with these pictures and cuts, and want to simplify the matter as much as possible in your office.

Very truly,
Tulsa, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903.

To:
Mr. E. W. Wilson,
Secretary, Kansas Agricultural College.

Dear Sir:

I was very glad to receive your notice of our meeting
tomorrow, and am anxious to come, hoping to give you some
help in the preparation of your address. I am working on a
paper which I hope to read at the meeting. I have written to
Mr. C. G. Greene, of Cornell University, asking him to send
me a copy of the paper you will read at the meeting. I hope to
get a copy of the proceedings of the meeting.

With the exception of the paper you will read, I am
not able to spare any time from my work at the university.
I am quite busy with the preparation of the next volume of
the "Journal of Agricultural Economics." I am also working on
a special investigation for the state, and have received a letter
from Mr. C. G. Greene, asking me to send him a blank for
the purpose. I am glad to say that I will send my expense
account to you for the trip to Chicago. Before doing so, I
will advise you whether a special form should be used, and
whether an affidavit is necessary. As we do in this agricultural
college, where bills are audited by the state officials, I think
this is the case, and I am willing to send me a blank. I enclose a
more statement of expenses.

My trip was an exceedingly pleasant one, marred only by the
fact that I had not the pleasure of meeting you. I sincerely
hope that you are fully recovered by this time. It was a constant
source of regret to all present that you were not there as their
leader. Everything was exceedingly successful, it seemed to me,
and I am sure to return the beautiful books which

Very truly,

[Signature]

Tulsa, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903.
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903.

Mrs. Berta Miller
216 High Street
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Miller,

I am very glad to send you copies of our Reading Course, and I am sorry that I have not been able to send you the original text of the course which you desired in the form you mentioned. It should be given to students at the beginning of the year, but in the meantime giving an outline to the Department, etc. There is as much in works of other times that it would be quite as good to make an outline of the material as supplied, we should have the advantage of sending this class in getting back at five o'clock, and received half an hour too late for my work, owing to the same on the railroad. The same reason now to that I did not have the pleasure of sitting with you again to date the letter at which you have written. I should like to visit畜, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903, was taken in great spirit, and was entirely proper, then I

Dear Mr. Hubbard,

I am happy to return the beautiful books which you have offered me at this date. I was sorry for it, should like to retain them, and read for the same as usual expenses this month, however, prevents me doing this, and from the state they are sent.

Very truly, I am (name) that you are in your letter is true, and if I should fall in meeting an acquaintance of the family who is taking up with whom, etc. [Signature]

I have not for a social event that I have been out with, and I may say some sentiments

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903.

Mrs. Bella Miller
Guelph, Ontario, Can.

Dear Mrs. Miller:

I am very glad to send you copies of our Reading Course, and hope that they will prove of interest to you.

Mr. A. W. Niski in Guelph was exceedingly pleasant, and I gained a large amount of enthusiasm regarding the good work which is being done there. It is very kind of you to express your pleasure in my visit, and I wish for you, and for all the good people whom I mean, comfort and a suitable hour for leaving Utica. My best, a very pleasant season, and much success.

Conscience was too active, however; and in considering my duty, Very sincerely,
in getting back to my class. I came at five o’clock, and reached home half an hour too late for my work, going to the store on the railroad. The idea regret now is that I did not have the pleasure of talking with you again regarding the matter of which you have written. I should like to take in good rotlnie, and one entirely proper, when I shall be in Utica.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903.

Dear Mrs. Miller:

We are very glad indeed to continue sending the riceita in the Winter, but knowing about it your season.

I am glad to know what they and of benefit to you in the winter, which you have.

Certainly ought to be interested in our neighbors.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1903.

They have every reason to think of this advice because they are so
Mrs. Alice Agee
capable of my misjudging the men, and themselves, are much
Dear Sirs:

I have now another reason to regret that I did not remain comfortable until a suitable hour for leaving Utica. My conscience was too active, however; and, in considering my duty in getting back to my class, I reached Five o'clock, and reached home half an hour too late for my work, owing to the snow on the railroad. The added regret now is that I did not have the pleasure of talking with you again regarding the letter of which you have written, or should have written, if all were assured you that your cordial expression in good spirit, and was entirely proper, then I should have told you that, while I am too prone to think of the darker side of this question, my mind has been warped in some ways by intimates acquaintance with conditions which are indeed despair:able. I think it is not a useful thing, however, to represent that side to an audience, and even before reading your letter this morning, as I looked over my mails and read the sentiments of those farm women, I thought that my better way was to think of you and let the prosperous farmers' families look back to the many years. All that you say in your letter is true, and if I failed in showing an appreciation of the farmer who is making his wife happy and comfortable, I did not do what would be a real pleasure to me. In my talk in Mercy, not for a moment doubt that farmers have just as many—and I may say noble, sentiments and loyalty to their wives and children, as you and I have.
good will by paying as much as she can for such articles, and hopes the next will have even the same or better.

Very truly,

[Signature]

They have every reason to think of this side, because they are as capable as any of enjoying it. The farmers themselves, are much to blame for the conditions which exist. And an impulse I was not very clear in expressing my ideas in Europe, as I found it a difficult thing to rise to the occasion. Am, Dec. 17, 1963.

when talking, that I was not quite doing justice to the farmer himself. Allow me to say that that is not usually my fault, My dear Mrs. Mar.. I may be authorized that some of the good old farmers have come to me as educators who had some success with your

of the men, and I do not mean to say that some of the men would look out for an interest. Still it shows that they were not married

the difficult thing to do. It is a difficult subject to discuss, and I discourage work. It is not the fault of the public, and very

assure you that if a thing is of interest to me to talk plainly of experience, and it is the only way to tell me. The reading lessons will be distanced with those who are friendly enough to my interests to give me

of the journal. So I hope you will tell that you probably

did a good deal of good in your remarks, and in the latter which was pleasant and rather in the same way. At any time

both Mrs. De. O. and I have never thought that Mrs. Age needs

any sympathy because she is a farmer's wife, and I am thankful

at our home.

there are many other women who are living on farms.

I am sending to your Ohio address the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and BOYS AND GIRLS, a little paper in which I am greatly interested. If you have any potato stories at any time, or any other kind, BOYS AND GIRLS would like them. The magazine is yours, and not a financial venture, and the editor has had
My dear Mrs. Marion—

I am glad to continue your name upon the mailing list for the Farmers' Wives.

I am glad to know that you have had some success with your pattering, and hope that your success will continue. It is always difficult to get these things before the public, and very discouraging work. I hope your health will improve, and that the winter may be a very pleasant one for you.

Both Mrs. De Garmo and I will be glad to see you at any time at our home.

Very cordially,

[Name]
Dear Mrs. B. S. U. Darte,

my dear mrs. dart, i have pleasure in sending you the enclosed.

Dear Mrs. Darte: We are glad to receive your communication regarding the reading course, thank you for your efforts in sending the work in the course. Do not expect that you will be constructed in all if you are lucky and able to get an average of the teacher meeting.

I am sorry indeed to know that death has visited you. The people hold, and trust that the strength and ability may be given you in a time of sorrow. I hope it will prove of practical benefit in your organization.

Very cordially,

[Signature]


Mrs. A. A. Van Vleck
Jamestown, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Van Vleck:--

I want to thank you for your card informing me of the death of Mrs. Loucks. The Reading Lessons will be discontinued to her address.

I shall keep the Cortland meeting in mind, and I may be able to go. I shall surely look you up if I am here.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear Mrs. E. S. T. Darte

N. Y.

It is a pleasure in sending you the enclosed.

Dear Mrs. Darte,

I am glad to receive your letter regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and to know that you are interested in it. We are increasing the work in several of the Mothers' meetings connected with the W. S. T. U. in the state. This has made the Mothers' meetings in the state more interesting to you. I hope it will prove of practical benefit to you very cordially.

Let me thank you for the site list of names which you have sent for the Reading Course. I am glad to place them upon our mailing list, and they will have received the lessons.

Very cordially,


Let to write.

Mrs. E. V. Winter

It gives me pleasure to speak of the excellent work of the Public Schools in the state of New York. I have been a class-teacher of her for many years, and have always recognized strength and ability, which are necessary excellent results in the school room. She has taken the subject and taught it well, and each lesson is taught with her usual patience. She is a good disciplinarian and a good instructor. She has had a wide experience, which adds to her value in school work.

Very sincerely yours,

Very respectfully yours,

The Principal.

Dear Miss Dosler:—

Mrs. F. M. Dosler

Cincinatus

I take pleasure in sending you the enclosed, which I trust may be of some value to you. You have seen many warm friends in your present position, but if you change, I hope it will be for the better. Perhaps it is not desirable to dwell too long in one line of work; but we say that we credit each reader when he leaves. Therefore, if we expect to issue a certificate showing the work done, we are indeed to send you anything which may be of value in your work, and it is a help to us to have you become interested in our Reading Courses. We believe that this work will bring you much pleasure, that it will bring you much pleasure, and that it will bring you much pleasure.

I wish you much success, and hope you will make no mistake in taking the change.

Very cordially,

Mrs. F. M. Bradley


[Signature]


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Mrs. W. M. Davis.
Cincinnati, N. Y. Y.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I am very glad to have your request to continue the Reading Course, and in reply to your question regarding the Mrs. P. K.

answer of questions, let me say that we credit each reader when Rev. E. Alice Bradley

the Whiteville, N. Y.

work completed, we expect to issue a certificate showing the Dear Mrs. Bradley:

work done. However, I do not want anyone to feel that ahead I shall be very glad indeed to send you anything which may be of value in your work, and it is a help to us to have you become interested in our Reading Courses. We have been thinking for some time that the ministers would be a great help in bringing to the people in the rural districts this work which pertains so closely to their every-day affairs. Let us at any time send you anything that we think will help in what you would like to bring before your people.

A Traveling Library in a community is very desirable, and information may be obtained by writing to the Library Division, Regents University, Albany, N. Y. A marked copy of Farm Home Studies, which I send you, will explain our connection with that line of work, a lesson which we now have under preparation, which I am sending you.

Wishing you much success, and thanking you for your interest,

Very cordially,

Perhaps I can add something more regarding disinfectants.

I am very glad you have suggested this, as we always want to know what line of literature will be the most helpful.

This lesson will reach you about the middle of January.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Mrs. E. M. Davis
Cincinnati, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

I am very glad to have your request to continue the Reading Course, and in reply to your question regarding the answering of questions, let me say that we credit each reader when they answer the Quizzes, and send them to us. At the end of the course of three years, we expect to issue a certificate showing the work done. However, we do not want anyone to feel that she is subjected to an examination, or to make the lessons laborious in any way, but want them to be especially practical and helpful for everyday living.

Hoping that the work will bring you much pleasure, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]


Mrs. Sarah M. Bentley
Flowers, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Bentley:

We now have under preparation a lesson which refers to the subject which you have mentioned. It is in the hands of the printer, but when the proof returns for correction perhaps I can add something more regarding disinfectants.

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Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Miss Marion M. Widner  
Constableville, N. Y.

Dear Miss Widner:

Your question regarding a Domestic Science Department at Cornell has been referred to me. In reply, let me say Mrs. L. E. Paulman,  
F. F. D. No. 2,  
Constableville, N.Y.  

We have a course of two hours a week,  
My dear Mrs. Paulman,— This is taken by students in connection with their other work, and I am glad to receive your pleasant letter, and to continue your name on our mailing list. I hope the time I have no doubt you had an extremely pleasant Thanksgiving meeting, and I wish I might have participated in it, remembering the good time I had in Rogersville. I wish you all the joys of the present holiday season.

I am sorry I omitted to place your son's name on the subscription list, as I fully intended to do so, and after this he will receive all of the numbers of 1904. I have had the changes made in the postoffice which you suggest in your letter.

I will send you all of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, as I have had the changes made in the postoffice which you suggest in your letter.

Satisfactory to know that my work there was enjoyed by the women, and I want to thank you, too, for the copies of the "Daily Mercury." Very sincerely,

I am very glad to have these papers, and appreciate the pleasant things that have been said in them.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Dec. 28, 1903.

Miss Marion M. Widner
Constableville, N. Y.

Dear Miss Widner:—

Your question regarding a Domestic Science Department at Cornell has been referred to me. In reply, let me say that we have no such department, although we are beginning to do a little work in that line. We have a course of two hours a week, treating on home subjects. This is taken by students in connection with their other work, but is not sufficient to enable one to become really proficient in Domestic Science. I hope the time may come when we can offer more of a course, without any trouble.

Although I was delayed a few days by the weather, the train was on time, and arrangements were made for us to go to Guelph. The storm was sufficient to prevent the trains running on time.

I am glad to have met you and your family. I hope that you and your family will remain well, and that your Christmas will be a happy and pleasant one.


Very cordially,

Miss Laura Rose,
Guelph, Ontario, Can.

Dear Miss Widner:— I want to thank you for the pleasant papers, and appreciate the pleasant things that have been said in them.

Very cordially,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 25, 1903.

Mrs. Laura H. Meyer
Mrs. G. P. Marcy, N. Y.
Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

My dear Mrs. Meyer:

Dear Mrs. Meyer:

I want to thank you for the papers you so kindly sent to me. I was very glad indeed to see the notices.

My remembrances of the meeting at Marcy are very pleasant, and I am glad to have met you there. I reached home without any trouble.

Although I was delayed enough to miss my class work the next day, the storm was sufficient to prevent the trains running on time.

I think all arrangements were as they should be. Whether or not the arrangements are satisfactory to you, I will leave it to your judgment, if you wish to make any changes.

I hope that you and your family will remain well, and that you will have a very pleasant holiday season.

I am hoping that both a Farmers' and a Farmers' Wives' Club work which you are doing there will be organized in Marcy, and that we will know still more of your work.

Very sincerely,

Martha Van Rensselaer.
Dec 28, 1903.

Mr. G. C. Greenman
Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Dear Mr. Greenman:

I am very glad if my work was enjoyed by the people in Guelph. I wish all audiences were as easy to address. Certainly the entire trip was a pleasure to me.

A letter from Frank about the same time as yours, saying that Mr. W. would send his statement of expenses, came from him, saying that he would send his statement of expenses, if he has the statement. I hope to report the good work which you are doing these three months of the season. I am, very sincerely,

[Signature]

W. H. [Name]
Dec. 28, 1903.

Prof. H. L. Hutt
Guelph, Ontario, Can.

Dear Prof. Hutt:

Your letter is received regarding the settlement of my account. I had sent Mr. Creelman a statement of my expenses, and about the time your letter arrived one came from him, saying that a check would be sent soon. I do not know whether he intends to refer to you the statement made to him, or whether he has arranged for it otherwise, but perhaps the best way is to wait and see if he does not send you this statement. This may avoid the double payment.

I hope the holiday season is proving a very pleasant one for you and your family.

Wishing you all the pleasures of the season, I am,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
A few lines before I had a letter from a person here about her son. She said he was going to send it to her. She asked me to be sure to send it to the person. I think she was thinking of a letter she had written.

Unfortunately it would be like any other letter you have written. I realize how important it is to find the name of the person who is interested and to write a letter to them. I am trying to find a way to write a letter that would not come. I shall have to write her to this effect, but I am wondering if you cannot give her some advice.

I have sent letters to many people, but I have never received any replies. I have not been able to take any letter to the post office, and I know it is very important to write to any person who is interested.

I have a few people who have written to me, and I am trying to find a way to write a letter to them. I am sure I can find a way to write a letter to them.

If you can help me, I would be very grateful.

Yours truly,

[Signature]


My dear Mr. [Name],

I was glad to hear from you and to receive your letter. I am much interested in the work you are doing. I am also interested in the work you do. I am trying to find a way to write a letter to you. I am hoping you will be able to help me.

I hope you are doing well. I am trying to find a way to write a letter to you. I am also trying to find a way to write a letter to you.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Mrs. Dorothy Durham
Mrs. R. E. Bowley

Dear Mrs. Durhan,

...Alumni is a good little paper, and I should
keep something for it as soon as possible.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

March 12, 1929

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Best regards,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1904.

Mrs. F. E. Dewey,

New York, N. Y.:

The Altruist is a good little paper, and I should be proud to send something for it as soon as possible.

Very cordially,

When at the Institute at Marty, the Committee asked me in regard to my expenditure, whether I was to have the responsibility of the returns, then, on my return to New York, Mrs. Laura Stewart of Upland Ridge, New Jersey,

My dear Mrs. Stewart:

I was to deliver by the Union League Club friends of the Institute. I am not usually preoccupied with the statement of my expenses in Frank Bailey.

Very truly yours,

I have been trying to write an article for boys and girls of health and strength, which was begun in December and which has been due for a week, the Youth's Companion asked for an article in December, which was started in a monthly magazine, which I have my way clear to finish it. I have been too busy with my work up, while not feeling very much like it, and I hereby tell you that I have you see that I am not wilfully neglecting what I have to do. I began my Christmas preparations the afternoon before Christmas, and am generally behind in all my usual affairs, yet I am not as busy as I usually am, and certainly not as busy as I was last year, but that I occasionally see something accomplished, I think I should not keep as serene as I am at present. However, all this will be straightened out in the course of two or three weeks.
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be proud to send something for it as soon as possible.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1904.

Mrs. Laura Stewart
Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Stewart:—

I assure you I do not usually procrastinate
so much as I am doing at present, but I have each day to take the
things that crowd the hardest. The memorandum has been in my daily
pile for some time, so that I could not possibly lose sight of the
fact that I am to do something for the "Altruist." If I can possi-
bly get it in in time this month, I shall do so. It is not that
it would take so long, but there are so many things put off, that
it is hard to tell how many of them will find a place in my January
calendar. I have double lecture work this month, which means four
weeks on new material. Another Farmers' Wives' Lesson has been
due for a week, the Youths' Companion asked for an article in Decem-
ber, which is not begun. I started an article for BOYS AND GIRLS
a month ago, and cannot see my way clear to finish it. I have
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Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1904.

Mrs. M. S. Munn
173 Whalley Ave.,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Mrs. Munn:-

I am very glad to continue your name upon the list for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and am pleased to know that you are enjoying the lessons. I am the more pleased because you tell me you are seventy-six years old. You have had a rich experience, and your interest in them is appreciated by me on this account. I have a great admiration for those who as the years advance retain their interest in reading, and in those things which are interesting people in general. I merely wanted to write and tell you that I hope your days may be blest with health and strength.

The older one grows, the more one has the opportunity of blessing mankind by her sweet attitude toward life, because of the richness of experience, and hope in the future.

Very truly yours,

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1904.

Dear Prof. Hutt:

I have received the express order for $16.45 in payment for my expenses incurred by the trip to Guelph, and thank you for the same. I have also received a copy of the O. A. C. Review. I shall be much interested in this, and am greatly obliged to you for suggesting the exchange.

Very sincerely,
I am pleased to send you twenty copies of the lesson on Home Decoration, which is the eleventh in the series. If this is not the one you want, I will keep them for another time when you may find them more use to you. Which of the two would you like? I want to know whether you have been the first five or the first ten. I will send you the complete second series if you are interested in that subject. Very sincerely,

[Signature]

[Signature]
I have been interested in your answers to Mr. Parker's letter regarding the National Club. In regard to the date by which you might have taken the examination, I am glad to have the notice that the Rhode Island Club had received the letter dated March 25, 1902. Although you had forgotten the accuracy of the date, you have not mentioned it.

Any suggestions for forming a club will be appreciated. I hope to hear from you if you are successful, and if you think it necessary, have feelers sent to another part of the country. The mechanism is good in all cases and I am interested in the reception of your letter. It is not only the inhabitants of the town, but also the neighboring counties that are interested. I should be happy to supply a blank organization and help in the institution of a good.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Signature]
I am interested in the question which you asked regarding the State Rural Home, N. Y. How do you hear about it... I certainly could be interested in NY Wives Co. F. Hancock which might be desirable, but I am afraid I have been interested in your answers to the quiz. I send you Quiz No. 2, as it may have been mailed from your home. I am glad to have the names that you have sent me for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Club, and I urge that they have the same possibilities that you have, although you have not mentioned it.

I send you some suggestions for forming a club. I shall be pleased to hear from you if you are successful, and if you think of any plans that would be of advantage to the home I will be glad to join and help. The change has organizations in different parts of the country. The membership is made up of men and women interested in the needs of the house. It is not only for improvement of the home but also for the improvement of the whole community in different places. It is a strong organization and has been of great benefit.

If you wish to copy these suggestions, please do so. Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Encl [Envelope]
Mrs. Mary L. C. Borden

Mrs. Sarah J. Lockwood

R. P. E. Call

Locke, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Lockwood:

I was interested in the question which you asked regarding the Glen Falls against which had not happened to hear about it. I certainly would be interested in any views relative to a former which might be offered, but I am afraid I have little faith in securing young people on such schemes.

I cannot tell you how much I would have appreciated hearing from you. I did not mean to write you a letter, but as I have not had an opportunity to see you, I thought it would be convenient to write you a letter, the New England Institute family, and I have always regarded the New England Institute very highly. It is the very thing that I have been looking for and trying to bring to the attention of the public.

MRS. J. B. A. Y. Y. has written a few words regarding the Littleton.

Dear Miss Lockwood:

I remember your own name that was especially at this time of year. I am sorry that your first request for the Glen Falls did not happen to you. It is not known how your first visit to the Glen Falls was, it seemed to me, by the hour, the mistake happened, but your name is now entered for the work. A very pleasant event, trying to bring the butter, and to all and it will be sent to you as it is published.

It is pleasing to me to think of you and your interest in the butter, which I enclosed. I am glad to think that you are making such good progress with your work at the littleton.

Reading Courses will be great to send them direct. I am sending you a few copies of our Lesson No. 1.

Very cordially,

[Signature]

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Athena, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1934.
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1904.

Mrs. Mary L. Baerdaier
Mrs. Sarah J. Lockwood
R. P. D. Society, N. Y.
Locks, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Baerdaier:

My dear Mrs. Lockwood:

I send you a copy of our printed suggestions for forming a club. I was interested in the question which you asked regarding the Glen Falls contest. I had not happeningly come across this. It is only for those localities which would be interested in any Van Renselaer millions which might be existing, but I am afraid I have little faith in securing any small part of such an amount. Probably this has been in the papers, and I have not seen it. You may ask them to make up a directory to send you the names of such clubs to make up a directory to send you the names of such clubs.

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Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1904.

Miss E. Augusta Ayntage
R. P. D.
Clyde, N. Y.

Dear Miss Ayntage:

I am sorry that your first request for the Reading Lessons did not bring them to you. I do not know how the mistake happened, but your name is now entered for the work, and it will be sent to you as it is published.

Very truly,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1904.

Mrs. Smith:

If you wish to send me the names of persons who wish the Reading Course, we will be glad to send them direct.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1904.
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1906.

Mrs. Mary L. Bourdeley
P. O. Box 5
Cortland, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Bourdeley:

I send you a copy of our printed suggestions for forming a club. However, you may find it advisable in your community not to do this. It is only for those localities where it seems to be a better plan than for each to read alone.

In order to secure the library, it will be necessary for you to write to the State Library, University of New York, Albany, and ask if you wish to ask for any special books you can do so for you wish ask them to take up a library to send you, sending them which it they have. They will send you full directions regarding the use of the library, and the money is paid to them.

Don't say there has been a delay in answering your letter, as it is quite unavoidable, and you have taken such a good as to Very sincerely,

I believe the state which is very unexpected, and in such a latitude, in and for a pleasant grove by

I am pleased to see you enjoying yourself and your working attentively. How much work is being done I believe, and how much is being done for you in the place of work, is the question which Mr. E. B. Smith

work 400 of printing 800 to 1,000 and some of working in this company, with especial sympathy.

Syracuse, N. Y.

Another way to answer your letter is Mr. Smith.

WILL you please have sent for the year 1904

"The Home Beautiful", to Mrs. Ethel Gifford, Coconut Grove, Florida, and send the bill to me.

I do not find the magazine among your questions.

Very truly,

James A. B.
To learn more about agriculture,

Now much which you might have to discuss, you don’t really want to do it, and we might like to have you bring your
dreams with you. Of course, the answer is a simple one.

May PLEASE your letter at my knee when the paper is open.

Endevor.

Very cordially,

My dear Mrs. Wheeler,

The time for a visit

want to send you whatever you may need for your mother’s

I send you a few of the lesson notes. I wonder if you

want a number of one special lesson, will you please write me.

Mr. W. Le Bouquet.

Glad to know that the Kindergarten is getting along

Dutifully, I hated her more greatly interested in her work, and

delighted to be there—only we thought that the poverty had

I hate to be at the expense of personal comfort, and

I have lost interest in the following:

I have been pleased to know that the magazine which I enjoy

the working of it, and while I doubt that I could have in my hop-

ning to see it improve it, as it is possible, and we might give

workaway. I would also be able to see, well, we would become a large group, but we

I am afraid of the beginning. I am another one to bring up

pictures of it. It was remarkable, I think, that the situation in

For you, I would hope, with one miracle, to meet the want.

It is very much a pity that these books are getting lost. I have

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I have some interesting little facts that I have

two years. I have New York City, and reading the month of

I am very glad, as I have always been to do this, the week, to

twice a week on how hard the women are Short-course agricultural

I have some hope. For eleven weeks
Dear Mr. Le Boeux,

I return herewith the sheet written regarding the "American school vs. English School." I like this, and believe you have arrived in the right place. I do not know that it can be improved. I had not worried about the paper on Sanitation, but think, however, that you should save the trouble of outlining what you want, since I think I have your ideas. Do you have the book on Sanitation? If not, I shall send it. If you have it, it is more useful. Probably it is as well to complete it, as it will soon be out of season. I am going to the Junior college in the spring, and know many students there. I would like to find out whether this is true. It will be much easier for me in that way. The delay does not inconvenience me because the winter is a very-busy season with the teachers and students. We shall investigate by the railroad.

Yours very respectfully,

[Signature]

Mr. A. Le Boeux

Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Fred Newcomb  
Supervisor W. Y.  

Dear Mr. Newcomb,

Thank you for your untiring efforts in 1930. I appreciate the interest you have shown in the development of the department.

I have not had time to review the records of the department as thoroughly as I would like. However, I have made some observations and have included them in the report attached to this letter.

I do not have time to write a detailed report at this time. However, I can say that the department is progressing well and that there are many opportunities for improvement. I will be happy to discuss these opportunities with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

P.S. I have enclosed a copy of the report for your information.
I am glad to receive your letter showing
probably exaggerated interest. I do not see that blame can be attached
to your part to place. I received the goods now, and the hat
must either have been done on the road, or before the export good,
Miss Isabel Bever. 
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 18, 1804.

I am wondering if Miss Fotiana cannot determine
in the value of the suit of underwear. I do not like to drop
the matter, and have wondered what I could do toward helping
along the investigation. I thought if it were placed in the
hands of the railroad company that an investigation here would
follow. I have kept exceedingly quiet about it here, in order
not to have any person who might be guilty find out that he was
suspected, and afford no oppportunity for detection. As I under-
stand it, it is the case containing the very extravagantly gotten-
up suit of white underwear, the one which the card said re-
served a large amount to keep them laundered during the year.
I am not a detective myself, but I would like to put some one
on track of this who would find out who did it. It may have
been done here, but I doubt if the janitor or the drymen know
anything about it. However, I should like to find out whether
they do, and if it is not to be investigated by the railroad
company, I will do what I can toward fixing the blame, should it
be here. I am sorry to know that so many pictures have
been destroyed, and have had broken glass. If any of this expense is to be borne outside of
those who have the matter in charge, I am ready to pay my share.
I am in good health, I am.

The suit was not entirely unpacked at this place before I re-
gritted that I had undertaken it. I had a notion to get some
one to make a test of the suit. 

I am glad to receive your letter showing probably a continued interest in the work of the Women's Reading Courses from the beginning. After several years this winter time we shall begin to plan this work, and we have not been able to publish a large amount any one year, owing to the fact that our appropriation is not large for this purpose. I am very glad indeed to know that you are interested in the courses. I consider it a great compliment to have one who has been eight years or more an instructor in that which she no doubt has become very proficient in from long years of experience.

I like so much when our older friends take an interest in the things which pertain to improvement, and when they find things about them to give an interest in the everyday affairs of life.

The lives of such people are a great benediction to us, and exceedingly needed to those of us who are younger, and have had less experience.

May you remain in good health, I am, very cordially,

Ithaca, N.Y., Jan. 16, 1904.
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Mrs. J. K. Thompson
Pens Yarb N., i.

My dear Mrs. Thompson:

I am glad to receive your letter showing me that you are interested in our Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. We shall be glad to continue sending them, and only wish that we could print more lessons. You certainly have your hands full, but what a useful life you are living.

A piano should be kept in a room where it is neither too hot nor too cold, as both are injurious to it. I judge that the cold is more apt to injure it than the heat, although care should be taken not to have it too near a stove. I am told that it is better for a piano to be left open excepting during the time of sweeping, as it keeps the parts in better condition.

A chamois is a good thing to use in dusting a piano, or an old piece of silk. If these are not available a very soft dusting cloth can be used in cotton or silk. Your family will gain a great deal of pleasure in having the new piano in your home, and I am glad you have it.

Very cordially,

Mrs. J. K. Thompson

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 16, 1904.
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

Mrs. Della M. D. Harris
Bronston, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Harris:

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

I have your letter reminding me of my promise; Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 25, 1904.

Mrs. J. V. Rogers
Spencerport, N. Y.

Mrs. T. H. Holcomb

Dear Mrs. Rogers:

I am still in the hands of the Farmers' Wives Reading-Lessons, and hope you will continue to enjoy them. I will introduce you only a part of the Lessons, as we have been informed by the Department that the lessons are being used in many ways this year. I am glad to know that you are interested in the lessons, and I have been told that you are using them for the training of your children and the young students. I have requested the school to send some of the lessons sent to you, and I hope you will write me forthwith as to how to pay our printing bills, etc., if we do all that we plan. Very cordially, I assure you that it is a fortunate situation, therefore, that my work was increased for January, so that I could not get away, because evidently we shall have to cut down our ordinary expenses for the present. I do not want to give them up entirely, because it would be a pleasure and benefit to me to spend a few days in your 體育, Mrs. Chamberlain, Olmstead, Ohi.

I am informed that you have written on the subject of how to pay your taxes, and we have had some very good R. D. No. 2.

Dear Mrs. Price: I have a class of Short-Course men here at present, who are doing fine work, and we are having our work return, and possibly other material upon the future of your interests, and possibly other material upon your interest, and possibly other material upon your interest.

I have been thinking it would be a kindness to me to receive a few days in your household, and I am pleased to know that it has been interesting to you.

Hoping to return very soon,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

[Handwritten note: hand written signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

Mrs. Delia M. D. Harris
Brushton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Harris: —

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

I have your letter reminding me of my promise, Mrs. J. V. Rogers
Spencerport, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Rogers: —

We are glad to continue the Farmers' Wives
Reading-Lessons, and hope you will continue to enjoy them.

Uncle John will be glad to know that you are interested
in Nature-Study. He is still connected with the Department,
and is as interested as ever in the children and their nature
studies. I will ask to have some of the Lessons sent to you.
Then if there are others which you desire I hope you will write
for them.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

Mrs. R. S. Harris
New York, N. Y.

My dear Sir: —

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

I am informed that you have written on the subject
Mrs. Irving Price
R. D. No. 2.

Maple Sugar and Syrup. Will you kindly advise
no Cortland, N. Y. your article, and possibly other material upon

Dear Mrs. Price: —

Thanking you very much for your kind letter, and
for the fine list of names which you have sent me for the Women's
Reading-Course. I hope that these women will all enjoy the
Course, and am pleased to know that it has been interesting to you.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

Mrs. Delia D. Harris
Brushton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Harris:—

I have your letter reminding me of my promise, and am able to send you only a part of the Lessons, as we have not yet supplied this Lesson to any in the Course this year. It is still in the hands of the printer, and may not be ready for some days. We have kept a few for an emergency, and I will send part of them to you, and more when the new supply is received. I send you a package of cards, which can be handed with the Lesson, or used in any other way you may think best for persons who wish to send for the course.

Wishing you much success in your efforts, I am,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

Mr. W. L. Chamberlain
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Sir:—

I am informed that you have written on the subject of the Making of Maple Sugar and Syrup. Will you kindly advise me where I may find your article, and possibly other material upon the subject.

Thanking you in advance for this information, I am,

Very truly,
Ithaca, N.Y., Jan. 26, 1904.

Mrs. Gertrude Fords
East Otte, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Fords:

I am very much interested in the plan which you have outlined in your letter of November 15th. I am glad to receive the list of names from you for the Farmers' Wives' course, and hope the women will be interested in the lessons. I am always glad to receive the names of those who will enjoy the course, and thank you for these.

I hope I have often wished that New York State might have a Women's Institute in connection with the Farmers' Institute. I think it has been talked about some, but those who have the Farmers' Institute in charge are waiting apparently to see what the women want. Personally I feel that it is time for New York State to move in this matter, and hope some one may take it up and make it prosper. I am sure there are many women who would welcome it. You have recently been in Canada where the Women's Institute is a very prominent and successful feature of the farmers' organizations.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N.Y., Jan. 27, 1904.

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Gorman
DeKalb Place, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Gorman:—I am very much interested in the plan which you have outlined in your letter. I was very glad indeed to receive the fine list of names which you have sent me for the Farmers and the Women’s Reading Courses. They will be placed upon our mailing list, and will receive the lessons as they are published. I hope that if at any time you wish extra copies, or any special help along these lines, you will write me.

I am sending you a full set of the Women’s Reading Course in order that you may see the scope of the work, but it is our policy to send the others by the month, as we think more good is accomplished thereby. Should you wish, however, any special topic for a certain meeting, write me and I will make a change in the mailing of these lessons.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very cordially,

[Signature]

I wish that our school should have an opportunity, if they have not already, to make special sensation of the various courses offered in the school system. It is, of course, the appreciation of all who receive the lessons that we shall have an acquaintance with it, and it seems to me that we must set out to make a very appreciation of the work. The work must be done on the principle of the school system.
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 27, 1904.

Dear Mrs. Sisson:

I am very much interested in the plan which you have outlined in your recent letter, and hope the Political Equality Club will find a great deal of interest in taking up the work of the Women's Reading Course. Whenever we can be of any assistance in the topics which you have under discussion, I hope you will be free to write to me. I send you a full set of the Leaflets, so that you will see what the work is, and have placed the names upon the mailing list, and each one will receive the lessons as they are issued each month. We send out five each year to every person. Should you find that five lessons will not be material enough for this winter's work, I can send you two years in one.

Assuring you of my cordial interest in your work, I am, Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 27, 1904.
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 22, 1904.
Miss Anna L. Harlow
Buffalo, N. Y.
by dear Miss Harlow:

Dear Miss Harlow:

There are two changes in the constitution which I think I intended to explain to you, but I neglected to do so. That I did not succeed in getting a picture which was at all satisfactory, as I thought I might when I went to the Annual meeting. The difficulty is that a good picture seems to me beyond my ability. I am not right for it. Second, the constitution provides that applications for membership in the winter months. It was divided and well written. It places the Federation in the light of a body unshaded. I am not certain of the exact text, but the people are fine. I am very much afraid you will not see it. It reflects so much credit upon women to do this work and to write for them as doing on Thursday, so you must have had an excellent time. However, to get back to Buffalo and have this article ready for the morning paper under the unfavorable conditions which you have, and if you can get the service in the train and I can, then this service you do, I will ask your best to do it.

I think some one will ask you if they have not already, to make special mention of the extreme courtesy of the railroad company and I am sure they had that appreciation of all who reached home so comfortably. While this might ordinarily be the President's duty, that very sincerely are more in a position to welcome than to respond to it in his own town. Besides, I want to give you a very dignified place on the program on that occasion without there being much drudgery connected with it, and it occurs to me that this

(Signed)
Miss Anna L. Harlow

P.S. I have not seen the address of the President's speech. I am very sorry for theni.
pages 680-682 are missing
Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1904.

do dear Mrs. Peterson:—

There are two changes in the Constitution which I think it would be well to recommend. If they are made, the recommendation should reach the Council four months before the Annual meeting. First, in order to admit the Ontario Club, which applied for admission, we would need to change the limitation of territory. Second, the Constitution provides that applications for membership in the Federation should be made at least one month before the Annual meeting (Article III, Section 3). I see no reason for this, and do not like to refuse a Club if in other respects it is desirable to admit it. If it is not taxing you too much, may I ask that if you approve of these recommendations, you will submit them to the Council by sending them to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Allen, 254 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo.

If you like to get out of everything you can for the present, and I don't blame you if you do, I will ask Mrs. Lewis to do it.

I have still another request. That you respond to the address of welcome in Ithaca at the time of the Annual meeting. The address of welcome will be given by Mrs. Morse, President of the Ithaca Woman's Club. While this might ordinarily be the President's duty, that person is perhaps more in a position to welcome than to respond to it in her own town. Besides, I want to give you a very dignified place on the program on that occasion without there being much drudgery connected with it, and it occurs to me that this
Mrs. E. A. Richardson
Mori, N. Y., Feb. 7, 1901.

Mrs. L. C. Richardson
Mori, N. Y., Feb. 7, 1901.

Dear Mrs. Richardson,

which I cannot. That means take you a day's leave of my 
yard foe, where I like to have you, if I cannot be at yours. 

I have had an opportunity in the near future to talk over 

Buffalo the night of this week, in the afternoon. Mr. Richardson

believe it to be a meeting in the afternoon. Mr. Richardson

of the names of all your members to whom you would like

told in your letter. I am unable to send you a copy of

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possibility of the men's club wish to take up the 

Farmers' Reading-Course, which also gives opportunity for club

study.

wishing you a great deal of success in your work, I am.

cordially,

Very truly,
Mrs. L. A. Hubbard
Mason City, Iowa
February 3, 1904.

Dear Mrs. Hubbard:

I have just received your letter informing me of your engagement to the state of Iowa for the next season. I am very interested in your plans, and I hope that they will be successful. I believe it is a good idea to have a course of lessons sent direct to the members of the club. This will enable them to study the lessons more easily and efficiently. I am sure that the members will appreciate the efforts you are making to improve their reading and writing skills.

I wish you all the best of luck in your work. I am sure that the members of the club will be very grateful for your efforts.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. L. A. Robison
Mason City, Iowa.
Dear Mrs. Robinson,

In reply to your letter I am unable to send you a copy of the lecture to be given in Buffalo on "That Boy", as it is not yet completed. I should not wish to send it away without knowing how it is to be used. The probability is I shall not prepare any manuscript and shall only use notes which might not be very intelligible to any one else.

Very truly,

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64 Main St.,
Bradford, Pa.
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My dear Mrs. Wain:

It would not be a good thing to attempt the moral and chain which you suggest against close. While this policy has

I am pleased with the returns from your Club, and you will receive the second lesson, I hope, in time for your next meeting. Write me whenever we can be of any service whatever. I have been thinking of you ever since you left your Club, and as you have none which you would like to have placed upon the mailing list, some such as this:

I will send you your exchange in a very few days. I am very cordially,

Your very sincerely,

C. W. F. are not at another race among our larger town, the goods are quite profitable and a necessary increment in the cost. Therefore, the balance of the Reading-Garden is material and for the nature of such are not supporting several places. Now, and Standard, Beautiful, &c. together. Fortunately in the way of help and instructing.

Three additional of the library copies of the first lesson were received, moreover, it is a thing that we have printed twelve elements, each of which have been reproduced, and some of the several elements, their cost of printing the standard reading course and the standard reading in short. We have added the accounts of the standard, literature, and in a position to give very much information regarding the standard side of it. We have had to lessen the expense upon various times this year because of various new demands in the work which we have tried to meet. We

We have less money than we had before, but the more the courses are coming, the more money it takes. Yet we are working out what already has been a year or two, I think we shall be able to print all the literature that is needed. I have been thought best to lessen the expense of traveling and these lessons are
Il do not believe it would be well to start the endless postal card chain which you suggest against Sellar. While his policy has not been approved in regard to money, he still has some months in office, and we are hoping he will be very generous to our needs. It would not be a good thing to discourage him further.

Do not know what the prospects for his re-election are but at any rate it is desirable that the School should continue to be favorable to the needs of the College.

My dear, I am sorry to say nothing about the State. From the statements I have heard of the recent conference in St. Louis I gather that there is considerable resentment over the conduct of the State Board of Agriculture, which is said to have given some trouble. I will say nothing about these doings except to say that I hope the matter will be adjusted on the best terms possible to the state.

There are some difficulties that the Reading-room for Farmers has found the farmers so far as you can gather more or less of this kind, and the Farmer's Library has the honor to present to you this one, and I trust that the experience of the past will be repeated in the future.

I hope that we now have copies of the First Lessons, which will be followed by another twelve lessons. These lessons are printed in a large size, and are sent to the several counties. The cost of sending the Farmer's Reading-room and the Farmer's Library is the best part of our work, but the accounts of these offices, although an important position to give very much information, regarding the farmer's side of it. We have had to enlarge the scope of our work in various ways this year because of various new demands in the work which we have had to meet. We do not have more money than we had before, but the more the courses are drawn, the more money it takes. Affairs are working out very satisfactorily for the year to date, and I think we shall be able to print all the literature that is needed. It has been thought best to keep the expense of traveling until these lessons are
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It would not be a good thing to antagonize him certainly. I do not know what the prospect for his re-election is, but at any rate we hope he be be favorable to the request of the College of Agriculture of Florida.

My dear Ma, you will not attend the State Grange as a delegate, but come and see toward what state. Perhaps you can do something which have been published in connection with the Seven Points. I understand to receive our Farmers' Wives' Circular.

I have asked Wale to thank you for anything hospitably, and here I may say something for your work. I had similar work to do on the poultry department in the agricultural college. There are bulletins issued from Washington on that subject. I am not condescending to receive our Farmers' Wives' Circular, as there is one which would be obtained of charge by writing to Experiment Station, Washington, D. C., for Farmers' Bulletins pertaining to poultry.

I hope you will take attention to the finishing of the rooms.

I hope you are enjoying your New York home.

Very sincerely,
Dear Prof. Pearson:

You will be interested to read the reply to the advice which you gave one of our Farmers’ Wives in regard to the subject of foods.

Mrs. Sarah Kilgoulung,
3345 4th St.,
New York City.

I have asked to have sent to you anything we may have pertaining to poultry, and have referred your question to Mr. Rice, who has been this year without a laboratory, and began with the construction of the Poultry Department in the agricultural college.

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Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 11, 1904.

Dear Prof. Pearson:

You will be interested to read the reply to Miss Durina McCullough. I therefore enclose her letter, and am glad she has received so much benefit.

Dear Miss McCullough:

I am glad to send you the Insructions for Farmers' Wives which have been published in connection with the Extension Department of Cornell University, and hope they will give you some hints for your work. I had similar work to do here this year without a laboratory, and began with the construction of the house, dwelling upon points pertaining to it which would interest women, and regarding which she would have an expression of opinion, since she lives in the house all day and does the work in the house. I was then treated of ventilation, heating, and lighting, after we had given attention to the finishing of the rooms. Some time was spent upon interior decoration. General sanitary principles were discussed, the servant question and the equipment of the kitchen. The subject of foods we dwelt upon for several Lessons. Miscellaneous topics were taken up, as for instance, the division of the family income, the conservation of energy in housework, and the use of the proper muscles in doing the work. By way of a change we did some entertaining in my home in order to familiarize the young ladies with the best ways of entertaining, and the making and carrying out of the menu.

Even though we did not have cooking lessons this did not seem foreign to the work.

I wish you much success in your work, and the same degree of pleasure which I had in my work here.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 10, 1904.

Dear Prof. Pearson:

Miss Durina McCullough, therefore enclose her letter, and am glad she has received so much benefit.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 19, 1904.

Dear Prof. Pearson:

You will be interested to read the reply to your advice which you gave one of our farmer's wives in regard to bringing her butter. I therefore enclose her letter, and am glad she has received so much benefit from it. As I should like to have her letter, written I notice a question regarding a correspondence course. I do not imagine that such a course would suit. In order to attend a class, if the instruction does not go beyond the stage you have given the one giving instruction, could it be better to have a course in the Department of Home Economics? The course I have in mind would be as well in the Correspondence Course, if such a course is available. The course I have in mind would be very practical perhaps for your class, but I have been interested enough myself to make the effort to write the following letter, to see what suggestions they will make. I have also been troubled by snow and sleigh rides on the roads.

I want to give you the benefit of their answer, because I think it will interest you. Some of it will not seem very practical, perhaps for your class, but I have been interested enough myself to make the effort to write the following letter, to see what suggestions they will make. I have also been troubled by snow and sleigh rides on the roads, a little in harmonizing other decorations with anything blue in a new suit. I want to go to my daughter's house, the winter.

I admire greatly the blue and white counterpanes, and think you are fortunate to have one. Very cordially.

Probably had we known years ago how much they would be valued now, we would have treasured them all. Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 11, 1904.
Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 19, 1904.

Mr. Chauncey West
Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 19, 1904.

Dear Mr. West:

I ought to have written you that I was under the impression that in the advertisement you sent me, regarding a visit to your School, and tried to interest me in it, matters were so arranged as to give an impression that your question which you have asked in your letter has puzzled many a person, and I doubt if I know the answer to it as I should like to have your letter mailed, which I hope he can answer very well.

I was interested in reading in my history any mention of the children like hers. I have some idea that if she were to attend a class, if the instruction is given, besides you might get direct contact with the one giving instruction. Moreover, if we can interest him sufficiently in it, she had the opportunity to ask questions and get satisfaction from him. The instructor also can feel the need of the student, if he cannot do so entirely necessary to.

The correspondence course, however, is a real substitute, and help is greatly. If class work cannot be had I would try and interest the children in the correspondence course, and it may become a substitute of the instruction of children.

In Ithaca there are several dynamic and interest was just thrown upon them by some interested." It is always interesting that places be assigned to new arrivals and the whole pupil then begins which in the end believe that he has learned something. The instructor however, better and accomplish here. I believe that there should be given you have an interest in the subject, not sleigh rides on the floor, but for them to handle books to be surrounded by books, and learn to love them. Sometimes it is well for them to handle books, to be gentlemen.

Hoping that it is proving a very pleasant winter for you, I am, good thing to have a child feel that he owns a book. It may be

Very cordially,
given him, or he may save his pennies and buy it himself, and by
ought to approach children in regard to their reading with

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Mr. Chauncey West
Irondequock, N. Y.

Dear Mr. West:

I tried to write you on that February day but was not able to get my letter in the mail. I decided to try again now.

The question which you have asked in your letter has not gone unanswered. I am very pleased to hear that you have decided to give the literature of nature books to a boy at one of the Orange Granges. I hope that he will want to read and know more about it, it is an easy thing to get him to read. Interest is entirely necessary in a child's reading, as it is in ours.

While one boy may become interested in nature books, another boy may more readily be led to read history, and it is a great blessing to have them both. Nature books are especially interesting to study the face of the earth, and I do not object to stories for children. They should, however, be not only good literature but they should also be well-written stories.

I have sent Mrs. Flagg the literature of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, which I hope may be of use to you. I have marked it at Chautauqua. I don't know why, but I always think of that place as being snowed in, snowed under; and the whole world of nature books which after they are read will be snowed out until the ice has left the lake. Doubtless, however, you have had fine skating and pleasant sleigh rides on the ice when we realize, and it is well for them to handle books, to be surrounded by books, and learn to love them. Sometimes it is all good to have a child feel that he owns a book. It may be very cordially, given him, or he may save his pennies and buy it himself.

Hoping that it is proving a very pleasant winter for you, I am, dear Mr. West, yours truly.


Very truly,

Flagg

Dear Friend:-

The question which you have asked in your Quiz has puzzled many a person, and I doubt if I can give anything which will be very helpful. It is easier to help a child to become interested in reading if one begins early. Sarah Arnold says, "Learn what the children like, and begin with their likes." It is not enough to tell a boy what books are good for him, but if we can interest him sufficiently so that he will want to read and know more about it, it is an easy thing to get him to read. Interest is entirely necessary in a child's reading, as it is in ours.

While one boy may become interested in nature books, another boy may more readily be led to read history, and it is therefore necessary to study his taste. I do not object to stories for children. They should, however, be not only good literature, but strong, and carry with them a force for higher thought and living. While boys are not like to have the morals labeled, we should give them books which after they are read will make them want to live better and accomplish more. I believe that they comprehend more than we realize, and it is well for them to handle books, to be surrounded by books, and learn to love them. Sometimes it is a good thing to have a child feel that he owns a book. It may be given him, or he may save his pennies and buy it himself. We ought to approach children in regard to their reading with the same companionship and the same amount of interest with which they are approached by those who seek to give them pernicious literature. Much reading is indulged in by the young and by older people that is not evil in its influence, but which is useless and only fritters away time.

Reading is the thought in more valuable books. Young people get hold of a good many such books. I think that they will read good literature with more interest and more readily than they will bad books. We should give them heroes and heroines in worship, and gain much by reading the lives of good men and women. Nature books, I think, should some-
older people that is not evil in its influence, but which is useless and only fritters away time and destroys the power of getting at the thought in more valuable books. Young people get hold of a good many such books. I think that they will read good literature with more interest and more readily than they will read books if the same amount of influence is brought to bear to lead them to do so. I like giving children biography. They are in their teens heroes and heroines in warfare, and gain much by reading the lives of good men and women. Nature books, I think, should come before their notice, because if they can be interested in them, they will be better for their knowledge of the world about them, and in the farm home it has a direct bearing upon the occupation in which they are engaged. It is an exceedingly interesting thing to watch the reading of children, and it is a great blessing when a boy or girl is surrounded by good books, and learns to enjoy their companionship. Mothers are happier with their children reading in their homes evenings, than to feel that they are in the habit of seeking entertainment elsewhere. Reading aloud to a child until he has become interested in a book will often lead him to complete it. Knowing that others have enjoyed a book sometimes leads a young person to read it to see what may be in it.

I hope these few ideas may at least partly answer your question.

Very cordially,

Your Club is exceedingly fortunate in having an expert candy maker. I think it will lend an unusual interest to the Club, and congratulate your daughter upon her ability.

Please pass through pressure on the part of the... I am.

Mrs. L. C. Hubbard
Schenectady, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Hubbard:

I am very glad indeed to receive the list of names for your club, and to note the fines start that you have made. You will shortly receive the charter which, while it does not mean a great deal and is not especially elaborate, is an indication of our appreciation of the work of the Club. The credit given merely indicates the work which is done by the members of the Club. Of course we can issue no diploma but we like to keep in touch with the work, and be of any service possible. There is no much less reading in the course that it would hardly be compared to the Chautauqua work, which is much more extensive. I judge you would like to have sent to the other child as well as her taste as well as entertain him. Thus I hope you will like to have sent to the other child as well as her taste as well as entertain him. Thus
doubtless that is wise, since it provides you with more work for the
winter. I will therefore send in a package to each one of these seven lessons. Then they will receive the roster as the
winter advances. The difficulty this year is that we are
spending so much money in our agricultural department in various
lines that our printing is not as large as it will be next year,
and I confidently hope that as the lessons are reprinted they may be
more extensive.

Your club is exceedingly fortunate in having an expert candy maker. I think it will lend an unusual interest to the Club, and congratulate your daughter upon her ability.

Wishing you all much pleasure in the work, I am.

Mrs. L. C. Hubbard


Mrs. Le Grande D. Scofield
West Laurens, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Scofield:

In reply to your question regarding the mailing of Farmers and Farmers' Wives' Reading Lessons. It is not possible as the rules of the postoffice require that the Farmers' Reading Courses in addition to the answer to these Lessons go in their own envelopes with nothing else in them. Should you wish you have asked an interesting question in your last answered Quiz, and in reply I do not believe that a child should be urged to read very much after he has spent time out of school, as well as in, studying his lessons. Reading, however, is a part of his education, and he should be interested in books which will elevate his taste as well as entertain him. Thus his reading may be made a recreation, as probably it should be when he is studying besides. I should want to give him some stories of a healthful nature, some books on nature, history and biography. Great care should be exercised to see that the child is not spending too much time studying and reading. He may do much of this if he has plenty of out-door exercise. The Lessons Health is so essential that it is very necessary to take care of this point with the young people.

I hope these few points will answer your question, although it is always difficult to answer in a general way. I wish to express to you my sympathy in any trouble you may have recently undergone. It has been a hard and I hope you have much strength and courage to endure it.

Very cordially,

Very sincerely,
In reply to your question regarding the mailing of Farmers and Farmers' Wives' Reading-Lessons, it is not possible to mail them together as the rules of the postoffice require that in order to have what are called round rates, these Lessons go in their own envelopes with nothing else in them. Should you wish to have the Farmers' Reading-Course in addition to the Farmers' Wives' Lessons, you will find that it is necessary to send them your name for that purpose.

Lesson No. 8 has been delayed somewhat, but you will receive it soon. We hope that you have not yet had time to read the Superintendent's meeting. We are, however, just going to the Superintendent's meeting in Philadelphia, and together they will go on to Washington where. Helen is to receive in architectural work for some months. She is now improving, and we are glad to think that her illness will be permanent.


Mrs. Frances H. Norton
Box 155
Elba, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Norton:

I wish to express to you my sympathy in the bereavement which you have recently undergone. It has made a hard winter for you, and I hope you have much strength and courage to endure it.

Very sincerely,
My dear Miss Bishop:—
Locust Hill Farm,
Conesus, N. Y.

I am glad to hear from you, and to know that
the Penicils have been of any value to your friends. I find you
did not give the name and address of the Michigan lady to whom these
are sent. I'll you will soon, I will be glad to have her name put
on the list, and they will be sent to her regularly. Interesting sub-
jects, Dr. De Garro has just gone South to the Superintendent's meet-
ing. Met some people Sunday at the Hotel in Philadelphia, and to-
tgether they will go on to Washington, where Walter is to stay. I
in architectural work for some months, so Miss De Garro has been
ill for several weeks, and came down stairs tonight, for the first time to Sunday night church. She is now improving, and we
are all hoping that it will be permanent. Of course this has taken
much of Mrs. De Garro's time, and she has been devoted in her atten-
tion to her. I think Mrs. De Garro has been in better health than
usual this winter, which is very fortunate indeed. I hope that I
may be able to send you love and best wishes.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1904.

Mrs. Chart burkes
Locust Hill Pk.,
Conesus, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Burkes:

Mr. Spencer has referred your letter to me, and I am much interested in the problem which you have proposed regarding the diet of children. I consider it a very interesting subject, and believe that many of the ills which older people are subject to might be saved if they as children had not eaten all sorts of unwholesome food. I am sending you our Farmers' Wives' Learlets, and among them you will find two on foods. Should you be near a large library consult Thompson's or Hutchinson's "Foods and Dietetics." These books give a great deal more upon the subject. The question in regard to potatoes is answered in one of these Learlets which I am sending; also in regard to whole wheat bread. Should you wish to ask anything further regarding this, I should be glad to give you any information that I may be able to obtain.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1904.

Mrs. M. N. Hewitt
R. D. No. 3,
Alpine, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Hewitt:—

I was interested in a question contained in your last answered Quiz. Personally I do not object to the reading of novels. I think, however, that we should be moderate in that kind of reading, because we are liable to read too much that is useless and which unfits the mind for more valuable reading. History, biography and books on nature afford a wise change from the habit of constant reading of stories. No story is worth reading unless it makes the reader better and stronger. Persons sometimes read stories only for the enjoyment at the time being. They leave no impressions upon the mind that are worth retaining. I do not feel like objecting if any one considers novel reading out of place, as many do, but personally I have derived a great deal of benefit from good wholesome novels.

Very cordially,
Mrs. John T. Lawrence
63 Croton Ave.,
Troy, N. Y.

You used to have some printed lists of books.

Dear Mrs. Lawrence: One of our farmers' wives sent me a
list of five good ones. I am glad to know that you are interested in
reading the Extension work, and find it of value. We have never had
Mrs. M. Brown
399 Pearl St., Troy, N. Y.

write to me about her Extension work. I have enclosed a few recipes as you would desire; with
certain to answer question as their tastes differ so much. I think
published a magazine on this subject. To be an important feature of the work to be
read, but I think you would find in the "Farmers' Magazine" or
material for reading a course for farmers' wives is a little diffic-

"Good Housekeeping." As many recipes as you would desire, with
certain to answer questions as their tastes differ so much. I think
published a magazine on this subject. To be an important feature of the work to be
read, but I think you would find in the "Farmers' Magazine" or
material for reading a course for farmers' wives is a little diffic-

it would be a good thing for the women in a neighborhood to unite
how you might combine your efforts. I remember that I have not this material at hand to send you,
to receive a travelling library from Albany, which should contain
besides, and perhaps ten good books for a woman's reading. These could then
also selected by the women in your neighborhood. The question which you ask in your "Quiz re-

sent the number of books. They definitely give some

I think they are not only useful for you, but

Library if you told them something about what you desired. "Nor

If you make a book list, we may buy books yourself, and purchase from the store

I think you have a travelling library, and would suggest one or two or more, on

on which there are very few lists of books now, two on fiction, one

have available in the library. Regarding "Good Housekeeping," perhaps one on a social subject

I do not know that this gives

has given much attention to this subject and that I have

you the information that you desire, but I hope if it does not,

you will write me again.

I am asking her to do. We can take care of you if she still has it.

I think you will enjoy seeing it. It is an interesting problem

to supply the boys with good literature, but it is well worth

while to consider how best to do it.

Very sincerely,
Mrs. John T. Lawrence
63 Croton Ave.,
Cornell, N. Y.

You used to have some printed lists of books.

Dear Mrs. Lawrence:

One of our farmers' wives wants a list of five good books. I am glad to know that you are interested in the reading course and kind of value. We have never paid very much attention to the exchange of recipes, since the household journals devote so much space to that subject. It is an important feature of the work to us. I think you would find the "Good Housekeeping, " a good book of recipes as you told me. The "Red Book," and "Rural Home" would tell you how you could spend the household money. I am interested in the question which you have asked in the ball regarding five good new books for boys from fourteen to sixteen years of age. I have a friend in Buffalo who has given much attention to this subject and has, I think, a printed list which I used to have, but which I do not find now. I am asking her to send this list to you if she still has it.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, M. V., Feb. 25, 1904.
My dear Miss Chase:—

You used to have some printed lists of books suitable for young people. One of our farmers' wives wants a list of five good new books for boys from ten to sixteen years old. I wish you would answer the question, and send her a copy today, if any one of them have been published. If not, I will kindly in- terpose and send her the following list of five good new books:

Mr. W. Rowley, Greenwood, N. Y.
Greenwood, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Rowley,

I have received your letter and have enclosed a copy of the list of five good new books for boys from ten to sixteen years old. I hope it will be of use to you.

The following is a list of five good new books for boys from ten to sixteen years old:

1. *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain
2. *The Prince and the Pauper* by Robert Louis Stevenson
3. *The Sign of the Beaver* by Elizabeth George Speare
4. *The Silver Chair* by C.S. Lewis
5. *The Girl Who Never Was* by Elizabeth Enright

I hope you will succeed in getting them.

You also ask, how useful are the folding vapor bath boxes? I think they are exceedingly useful in sickness or in the first stages of a cold. They certainly give an opportunity for opening the pores of the body, and getting a person into a good perspiration. I think a household is fortunate to have one. It is possible they are not all equally valuable, but the one I have used I have found useful. I use it for entrance workers to be held the 19th, and I

Very sincerely,

Mrs. J. W. Greenfield

P.S.: I do not know the name of the person in this meeting, and if of my se- rvice to be of any assistance, please let me know. I shall be glad to help you, the less I have the more I can do. Our children are all in school, and I am very busy with the household duties. I am very willing to do anything to help you. I hope you will be back soon. Very truly yours, I cannot but think that if you have written me, it has been lost before reaching you. I shall be very glad indeed to write you if you will kindly send me another letter asking the questions which you desire answered. It is my intention to answer all of these things which concern us, and I am sorry if I have overlooked anything in this case. The fault may

be here, but I do not yet find any explanation of it.

Very sincerely,
My dear Miss Chase:

The Factory, Whitney, New York City.

My dear Mrs. Chase:

I used to have some printed lists of books suitable for young people. One of our farmers' wives wants a list of five good new books for boys from ten to sixteen years of age. I wish you would answer the question, and send her you any desired then, and am sending you today a copy of each one of whatever list you think would be good for her to consider.

I shall be glad to send you the lessons as published. If you will kindly inform me of some day I should like to show you the answers to a lot of quizzes which you have already, I will send you the on the subject of Reading in the Home, which we have received from remaining lessons. If that is sufficient the farmers' wives. Perhaps I shall have an opportunity to do so number.

I am very glad indeed if these lessons are an aid to some day. I shall appreciate your answer to this question, and your in the Mothers' Club. Our publishing is a little irregular. I send you an addressed envelope in which to send it.

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Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 3, 1904.

Very sincerely,


I received the notice of the parting supper for the Factory, and institute workers to be held the 13th, and I was not of my interest in this meeting, and of my desire to be of any assistance possible. In connection with Miss Fletcher I sent out an invitation which you have been kind enough to send me. I hope to be there, and I am very glad indeed to write you if you will kindly send me another letter asking the question which you desire answered. It is my intention to answer all of these things which come to me, and I am sorry if I have overlooked anything in this case. The fault may be here, but I do not yet find any explanation of it.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 6, 1904.

Mrs. F. M. Clendenin,
The Factory, Westchester, New York City.

My dear Mrs. Clendenin:—

I shall be glad to send you, the Lessons as you may desire them, and am sending you today a copy of each one of the Lessons as they have been published. If you will kindly indicate to me those which you have already, I will send you the remaining Lessons in lots of twenty each, if that is a sufficient supply of No. 7 & 8 I have been able to publish. We are very glad indeed if these Lessons are an aid to you. & to Mrs. Coster in the Mothers’ Club. Our publishing is a little irregular this winter, owing to conditions which could not well be controlled in our Department. However, I am hoping that we shall be able to send out three or more new Lessons this year.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 6, 1904.

Dear Mr. Van Wagoner:—

I received the notice of the parting supper for the Farmers’ Institute workers to be held the 13th, and I want to assure you of my interest in this meeting, and of my desire to be of any assistance possible in making it a success. Kindly let me hear from you if I can at any time lend any aid to this end. I hope to be present upon the 13th at the supper.

Very sincerely yours,

Regarding the Lessons, we can probably afford to have but four pages. There are two illustrations. From the galley proof I infer it may be put down somewhat. As this is one of the Lessons you do not like, I wish you would indicate to me the parts which you think should be omitted, and in case something else is supplied, along what line do you think it best?
I have sent a copy to Mrs. Richard since I have referred to Ithaca, N.Y., Mar. 13, 1904, her book, and have asked her to forward to Mr. S. Mr. Tompkins.

Dear Henry Bailey: The references in it are very commonplace, but they are welcome. I have had a talk with Mrs. Stagg today, and it is good that because Nos. 1, 2 & 3 have been read, but they were to supply 2000 copies of Referee No. 4 from Mrs. Conant's last son, the theater. I have written Mrs. Conant to find out whether she has this number, but Mrs. Stagg says she has no thought she has been together with you. I put No. 10 in place of Nos. 4 and to the thing to send No. 4 in place of No. 10, go. These are both for the subject of shoes, and you may think busy to have Nos. 4 reprinted by myself. 2500 at No. 5, and it seems that there are enough by the time No. 4, 10, 15, 17, or Ralston or Shubinby. This is an interesting Bailey books, will make a good substitute.

I told Mrs. Stagg probably it would be crowded in the usual bulletin envelopes even with the slip attached to it, if the question were not objected. They are not right please advise me to the contrary. Selections.

I am All of the lessons for the second year are prepared for, and are going out promptly.

In the third year Nos. 11 & 12 have gone; and No. 13 will, I suppose, be received from the printer soon. Regarding the laundry, lessons we can probably afford to have but four pages. There are two illustrations. From the galley proof I infer it may be cut down somewhat. As this is one of the lessons you do not like, I wish you would indicate to me the parts which you think should be omitted, and in case something else is supplied, along what line do you think it best?
I have sent a copy to Mrs. Richard, since I have referred to
her book, and have asked her to direct to Mr. Connell at
MRS. HARVEY'S, certain references in it are very commonplace, but
they are things I have observed often done poorly. There are a
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does not wash clothes nicely, but perhaps it
might be objectionable to call their attention to it. I will

nap, and the Leamings probably go out more

inexpensively now that they have decided what is to be actually five feet

be very greatly obliged to you if you will mention five.

slowly. I am interested in all these problems, and should you wish to send

May. 11, 1904.

I am interested in all these problems, and should you wish to send

any further questions believe to do so, and if I cannot answer them,

very thoroughly. There is no charge whatever, as that is what

our Department is for. I notice that your postscript asks how

to regulate the distribution through the garden. I suppose that

would have to be by not allowing the water to pass through the

pipes when there is enough moisture in the soil.

Very sincerely,

MARTIN VAN CLEEF

Mar. 11, 1904.
I think your problem regarding the water which you have
water from a spring, and it is a hard one to solve. Certain-
ly there is a possibility of getting adequate water by sub-
drainage. I have often found that if you collect the water
for an adequate distance from the house to avoid contamination to the drink-
ing water, do this can be done, and while fifty or seventy-five feet
of the spring is often found, a hundred feet is better still.
I have obtained water from a spring, if possible, which was the land
slopes a day. Many however do other than this one thing

I have been notified with success in many places to distribute
the water over the soil by means of the pipes in a good
distribution. In my experience, for the amount of
water, I will
find a bulletin which explains something of this kind.
I am interested in all these problems, and should you wish to send
any further questions, feel free to do so, and I cannot answer them,
I will send them to one of our engineers who will understand the
matter thoroughly. There is no charge whatever, as that is what
we do here in your Department is for. I notice that you postscript asks how
to regulate the distribution through the garden. I suppose that
would have to be by allowing the water to pass through the
pipes when there is enough moisture in the soil.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1904.
Mr. W. R. D. Neiser
488 Broadway,
Newburgh, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Kniskern:

I have read the bill of fare which you have given in your Quiz with much interest. It makes a good living, but perhaps there is too much of the carbohydrates for the amount of protein supplied. This last element may be by means of meat or a substitute. Lean meat and eggs furnish protein, but beans and peas do also. Fish supplies none. Oat flakes supply more of the protein than some of the cereals. I notice that you have meat for dinner, and personally I do not care for it more than once a day. Many however do. Other than this one thing I like the bill of fare. Rice or hominy might be a good substitute for potatoes occasionally. Potatoes are a good food, but one has to take a good deal in bulk for the amount of nourishment provided.

You will receive Lesson No. 10 this winter, and that is upon the subject of foods. I am glad to have you ask any questions that you desire. I like the idea expressed in your Quiz.

Very cordially,

I hope you may find something to help you. It is a very interesting subject to study how to improve a house, and I hope you may prove very successful in your plans. If I can be of any further help, please advise me.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1904.

Mrs. W. H. D. Meier
Mr. E. M. Childs
Mr. W. H. D. Meier

Dear Mrs. Meier:

I am interested in your question regarding the Modern Mrs. Childs' Lessons, in connection with the Modern Mrs. Childs' Lessons. I would not be a good judge of these lessons, but personally I have heard your letter until I should do so. I have not seen the manuscript which I have that may possibly help her's and the wish to meet me for not getting into better shape, for most, and I discover what she desires, kindly advise me with a description of the manuscript lines when she is through with it. I am pleased to place the names of the women whom you have mentioned upon the mailing list.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1904.

Mrs. C. L. York

Dear Mrs. York:

I am glad to send you the Lessons of the Farm—

I have been somewhat puzzled to know how to answer your letter since there are so few ways to change in part a house not needed for postage and sending the Lessons, which is already constructed. The best that I can do is to send you a little literature along that line which may be suggestive. Occasionally send them out of the state. I hope you may find in it something to help you. It is a very interesting subject to study how to improve a house, and I hope you may prove very successful in your plans. If I can be of any further help, please advise me.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1904.

Mrs. Caroline D. Zelley
Moorestown, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Zelley:

I am glad to send you the Lessons of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and send also the stamps that are not needed for postage and sending the Lessons. The Lessons are issued free of charge in the State of New York, but we occasionally send them out of the state.

Hoping that you will find the Lessons of interest, I am,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1904.

Mrs. Caroline D. Zelley
Moorestown, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Zelley:

I am interested in your question regarding the use of the Farmers' Wives' Lessons in connection with the Twentieth Century Club. I would not be a good judge of that, but personally I feel that it is a good thing to take up in these Women's Clubs subjects of practical home interest, even though the main topic may be on some other subject. The club woman is gaining much from her literary work, but she still has her home duties, and it is a pleasure and a profit to talk them over with other women. If you find that these Lessons will afford the aid which is needed in this line I will be glad to send copies. I am pleased to place the names of the women whom you have mentioned upon the mailing list.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1904.

Mrs. Alice Phillips Schaller
Mrs. H. C. Blanding
Earlville, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Blanding:

I am interested in your question regarding the use of the Farmers' Wives' Lessons in connection with the Twentieth Century Club. I would not be a good judge of that, but personally I feel that it is a good thing to take up in these Women's Clubs subjects of practical home interest, even though the main topic may be on some other subject. The club woman is gaining much from her literary work, but she still has her home duties, and it is a pleasure and a profit to talk them over with other women. If you find that these Lessons will afford the aid which is needed in this line I will be glad to send copies. I am pleased to place the names of the women whom you have mentioned upon the mailing list.

Very sincerely,
Mrs. Alice Phillips Schaller
R. F. D. No. 4
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 12, 1904.

Dear Mrs. Schaller:

I was glad to receive your letter, and to know of your interest in the Women's Reading Course. You need not feel that it is necessary to answer the quizzes, because I understand that often one may be interested in reading, but not have time to write. I am glad to know of your efforts to simplify housekeeping. It is a great subject, and one may bring a great deal of thoughtfulness to bear upon it. I hope you may have the opportunity to be led by the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, strength and health for all that you have to do.

With a cordial interest in your plans and work, I am, very sincerely,

[Signature]

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Liberal, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1904.

[Signature]

[Address]

To Mrs. E. M. Cleland,

Dear Madam:

I would like to give you a copy of the circular which I have sent you heretofore from the Department of Agronomy at the University of Texas, in which I have been all through this winter.

I am enclosing you a circular which will show you what materials can be had for the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course if you wish to use it in the Grange. If you will fill out the blank and return it to the Extension Department of Cornell University, and will send to each one of the persons whose names are given, the Lessons as they are published. These Lessons are used in many Granges for programs, in which the women will be especially interested, as they give topics for discussion at the meetings, and want a general knowledge of the subject. I have not been able to secure that they always be interested in your work, and I hope you will write them that they were a success. Hope that if in any way we can be of assistance in carrying on each of the plans, you will write us freely, as quite as much printing fact may add much to your household work.

Very sincerely, your expenses have been larger.

Very cordially,

I should be glad to have sent you as they are printed, the Lessons which we have sent since,

The Nature-Study work is provided for to be sent outside of this state according to the enclosed circular.

Very sincerely,
Mrs. A. G. Martin
Mrs. Mary E. Taylor
Penn Yan, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent me for the Farmers’ Wives Reading-Course, and for your letter expressing your interest in the work which is being carried on in a Factory village. You gave your name when we were organizing the club in Cassadaga, N. Y., to be used as the name of the club, and I regret that we cannot send you a copy of the circulars that have been issued, although we cannot send you as yet, I hope, your circular which will show you what material may be used for the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading-Course if you wish to use it in the Orange. If you will fill out the blank that we sent with the lessons, together with the names of the women who would like to receive the lessons, as well as the names of the President, Secretary, and the name of the club or of the Grange, we will enroll you as a Club organized under the Extension Department of Cornell University, and will send to each one of the persons whose names are given, the Lessons as they are published. These Lessons are used in many Granges for programs, in which the women will be especially interested, and as they give topics for discussion at the meetings, I hope you will find them helpful.

Dear Friend:

I am glad to know that you are interested in the work of the Farmers’ Wives in your area, and I hope you will find this work profitable. I want to assure you that we always try to be of assistance in any way we can. I hope that if in any way we can be of assistance in carrying on the work of the Club, we will do so.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Mrs. Mary E. Taylor
Penn Yan, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

I want to thank you for the list of names which you have sent me for the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and for the kind expression of your interest in the work which is being done under this Department. We find it exceedingly interesting, and are convinced that the farmers' wives are thoroughly imbued with the idea of improving their home life as much as any class of women we know. You have much to be proud of in having a son and daughter who have finished their college course. I hope that they will always be a comfort to you, and that you may find much to enjoy in their success.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 29, 1904.

Caroline E. Zelley
Moorestown, N. J.

Dear Friend:

I am glad to know of your interest in the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. This literature is not sent in a general way outside of New York State, inasmuch as it is under state appropriation. It has been our plan to send five new lessons each winter. Our funds have not provided quite as much printing this year as usual, inasmuch as other expenses have been larger. I should be glad to have sent you as they are printed, the lessons which we have.

The Nature-Study work is provided for to be sent outside of this state according to the enclosed circular.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 29, 1904.

Mrs. A. G. Martin
Box 132,
Griffin, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Martin:

I am sending you copies of the Farmers' Wives' Course in order that you may judge whether it will be of interest in the work which you are carrying on in a Factory village. You know conditions better than I, and can judge as to its utility.

I am glad to send you these leaflets, although we cannot send them out of the state in any large numbers, since the work is under state appropriation, and we have no provision for distribution outside.

Hoping that this may aid you in your good work, I am,

Very cordially,

Mrs. A. B. Atkins
214 Stewart Ave.
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Atkins:

A reply to your letter has been delayed because of illness. I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. I have hoped to talk with you concerning this, but have not been able to leave my home for about three weeks. If you could find it convenient to call upon me at 811 E. State St. I should like very much to talk the matter over with you. I think it would be better than to write re-
garding it.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 3, 1904.

Mrs. Rebecca C. Laughton
Herself.

Dear Mrs. Laughton:

I am sorry to see that it is impossible for us

to furnish any large number of Farmers' Wives' Leaflets for use in

Miss H. Y. Young

clubs, owing to the lack of funds. It will not be possible to extend

Evanston, Ill.

the work very much outside of the state. I am sending you one

Some days ago I mailed you a package of the Farmers' Wives' Leaflets, which will probably answer your letter.

Conditions in this state are not so unlike those in other states.

and all Farmers' Wives need to have something to take their minds off in the books.

Very cordially,

of social life enjoyed in larger communities. We have a Farmers'

Readers' Course, and a course in Nature Study. This gave rise to

the Farmers' Wives' Course, which has been carried on by means of

Dear Mrs. Bilder:

Granges and Institutes.

It is a difficult thing to interest and in reply let me say that if it does not seem best to carry on

very many of the women, although of course there are those who

work in a club, it is perhaps as well for individuals to take

do not care for it. The work has proven exceedingly interest-

ing, and the response from the farmers' wives is exceedingly

the same if you are not organized as a club, by writing to the

Library Division, Regents Office, Albany, N. Y.

Should you wish further information, I should be glad to

and send it to you if I shall be able to furnish it.

Very cordially,

Very truly,
Mr. Ring the Garlaugh
New York City.

Dear Mrs. Garlaugh:

I am sorry to say that it is impossible for us to furnish any large number of Farmers' Wives' Leaflets for use in clubs outside of the State of New York, since this work is under state appropriation, and our funds will not permit us to extend this work very much outside of the state. I am sending you one package which possibly may offer some suggestions for use in your work, or they have printed lists making up libraries on general farming topics such as bees; hogs, according to the rules printed in the book. I very cordially suggest in getting a library, and enjoy it greatly.

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 9, 1904.

I am exceedingly sorry that your letter of Mar. 9th was lost.

W. W. A. Button
East Penfield, N. Y.

Mrs. W. A. Button

Dear Mrs. Button:

I have your letter in regard to the club work, and in reply let me say that if it does not seem best to carry on the work in a club, it is perhaps as well for individuals to take up as a hobby, for them. The books can be obtained just the same if you are not organized as a club, by writing to the Library Division, Regents Office, Albany, N. Y., and stating if you shall be interested. I assure you, in your work, and glad at any time to hear from you.

Very truly,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 9, 1904.

The question regarding the appropriation is not yet settled. The bill passed the legislature, but the bill has not been signed by the Governor. It will be decided by the 27th of this month.

I am all hoping for the success of the cause.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Alton Potter
Franklin, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Potter:

In reply to your last letter I say that it is not necessary to have a club formed among the farm women's wives in order to secure the books from the State Library. I enclose a circular which will give you full directions for securing the books in the way I have described. You will select the books which you wish to have sent on the line of topics you desire to read, they will give you the selection, or they have printed lists making up libraries on general topics which can be furnished according to the rules printed in the book. I hope you will succeed in getting a library and enjoy it greatly.

Very cordially,

I am exceedingly sorry that your letter of Mar. 9th was not answered earlier, but I have been ill, and have neglected it on that account.

Mr. N. H. Bentley
I have not. However, you are sal- very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., April 25, 1904.

Dear Mrs. Bentley: I am glad that your letter received. We have been working along a certain amount of our publications, as our funds admit of that. However, the answer to your question regarding the appropriation is not yet settled. It has not been passed in the legislature, but the bill has not been signed by the Governor. It will be decided by the 27th of this month. We are all hoping for the success of the cause.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Ellen Clancy  
W. Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Clancy:  

I am pleased to know of your interest in the Reading Course, and have taken note of your inquiry regarding an opportunity to write at home. Our Department has not been in a position to arrange anything of this kind, rather we should be glad to mention that the Extension Department is always writing for teachers and others in various parts of the state. An opportunity for such work is often granted for the next year, and it is hoped that this may be of some assistance to you in the way you mention.

Very truly,

[Signature]

[Address]
Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 25, 1904.

Mr. W. E. Kellogg
Naumburg, N. Y.

Mrs. W. Slusser
Bonduel, Wisconsin

Dear Mrs. Slusser:

I regret very much that we have not been able to send out the Reading Lessons as we had planned for this year. Our Extension Department is always willing to have attention called to the Reading-Courses, and while we do not have time to advertise them as we had intended this year, we are wondering whether we can, especially in advertising them outside of the state, since they are under state appropriation, the Lessons are not copyrighted, and any one is free to use them who desires to do so in the way you mention. Publication is often granted for such Lessons but has to be put over until another year. We are this where it is to be noticed in a good paper, as yours evidently is, to your continued interest, however, and that you are. Naturally we have no interest in advertising it outside of the state with us next year to continue the success of the Reading-Courses for the reason I have mentioned. However, you are welcome to make any use of it that you desire, giving credit to the author and to the Course. I am glad to know that you are interested, and I should be glad to have sent to you the Lessons as they are printed. 

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., May 9, 1904.

Mrs. W. Slusser

Dear Mr. Slusser:

I have your note regarding the Reading-Course for farm workers, and am really sorry to-day that we have issued only twelve numbers since last. I had hoped that we should have fifteen numbers before the season to-er, but we are disappointed in the amount of printing that we will be able to get done. Therefore, the Course will be completed next year, and I hope there may be a renewal of interest then.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 25, 1904.

Mrs. W. Darling
Hamburg, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Darling:

Dear Mrs. Darling:

I regret very much that we have not been able to send out as many Reading-Lessons as we had planned for this year. They will all come in due time, but our funds will not allow of our publishing as much as we had intended this year. I am wondering whether it would be possible to supply you with something along other lines, as we have bulletins upon various subjects pertaining to our door life. "It has been a disappointment to me that much of our work has to be put over until another year. We are aiming to hope for your continued interest, however, and that you will write with us next year to continue the success of the Reading-Course. I will have sent to you now copies of some of the lessons of the very cordially.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., May 2, 1904.

Mrs. W. R. Barnes
Red Creek, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Barnes:

I have your card regarding the Reading-Course for children’s houses, and am really elated to see that we have issued only twelve numbers. Mr. Allen and I had hoped that we should have fifteen numbers before the season is over, but we are disappointed in the amount of printing that we will be able to get done. Therefore, the course will be completed next year, and I hope there may be a renewed interest then.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., May 4, 1904.

Ithaca, N. Y., May 2, 1904.

Mrs. Gartside Sherman
Mrs. Fairbanks, N. Y.
Dr. Mrs. Sherman
My Dear Mrs. Sherman:

It gives me pleasure to know from your letter that you are sending me a package containing the
lessons interested in the Sherman's Reading Course, and I am
taking the correction in your lessons which you have suggested.

We shall be very glad to have
the Political Varsity Club take up the lessons, and we send them
other month classes will intervene between now and the time we shall
receive them. In the package you will find a blue roster
and publications will not cause a slipping in the interest
upon which may be given the list of members, if they desire to
petition for admission to these classes. We shall continue next fall to
have the lessons sent to them direct. Filling out this blank,
and sending it to us will insure the more prompt sending of the
lessons. I will have sent to you now 75 copies of each of the

Your answers to the tests are exceedingly good, and I have
lessons of the first year, and will ask you to send me names of
read them with such interest. They certainly contain many good
members of the club to be enrolled to receive the lessons.

This year, we shall be much interested in your school, and send
some of the teachers to see what we can do to assist in all of the work which you undertake.

I do not understand the

Very sincerely yours,

Thanking you for your letter and the wish.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Mr. Gertude Sherman

R. "Electrify" 1060

288 Williams St.

Dear Mrs. Sherman:

It is very pleasant to know from your letter that you
have become interested in the Women's Work Reading-Curricula, and I am
making the correction in your address which you have suggested.

I am always glad to hear from our members, and hope that the su-
mmer months which will intervene between now and the time we shall
again send publications will not cause a lessening of the interest
of our workers in these lessons. We shall continue next fall to
publish lessons along these lines, which I shall be pleased to
send you, and which I hope will take the effort.

I hope your answers to the quiz are exceedingly good, and I have
read them with much interest. They certainly contain many good
suggestions. I am interested in your ideas regarding prohibition.

They are certainly very encouraging, and I am always glad to find
those who are hopeful for the future. I do not understand the
apathy of man and woman on this subject, when so much harm is
going on about us.

Thanking you for your letter and the quiz, I am

Very yours truly,

[Signature]
Mrs. James Swan
R. F. D. No. 3
Huron, Mich.

Dear Mrs. Swan:

It is very good of you to write, and I have your visit in mind, as I may have written you before. 73 years young instead of 73 years old. Those who have seen the advanced years are the ones who lend us most encouragement, and to whom we look for advice and guidance.

Your ideas regarding house-cleaning are very full of suggestion at this time when there is so much to be done in the house and out to rid it of dust and dirt. It is hard work, but there are returns which make it pay to undertake the effort. I hope as your years advance you may not have to wield the broom, but that it may be done for you.

How delightful that you have both lived to celebrate your golden wedding. The rest of the travel, which you say is down the hill, may be. I hope, so far as ease in traveling it is concerned.

You are very thoughtful of those about you still. My good mother died a year ago, in her seventy-third year. It seemed crowning with hope of the grace of life, that are often denied to one person. Her last decade to be not one whit against her enjoyment and ability to give good to others, excepting as she lacked physical strength.

Thanking you for your letters, I am,

Very affectionately,

Johns Island, May 4, 1914.
Mrs. C. H. Gehm
State Normal School
Rochester, N. Y.
Lockport, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Gehm:

In reply to your interesting letter of the 19th of April, let me say first that I am sorry for the delay in answering it. It is difficult to give definite regarding conditions at the present time. We have no means of extending this work, or furnishing lessons to those residing outside the state. Whether or not we can do this in the future or not, I do not know, but I am hoping to have help, with hopes that some means may be provided for this purpose, since I have many requests. I shall surely let you know if any arrangement is made by which the lessons may be printed in large quantities, as by which they are now used at the state school. It would be under great difficulty to extend the work to other states. There are many ways of giving them help and I hope to have some means of doing so. I am led to believe that the lessons may be furnished to you by the state school. If you are unable to carry on this work, you may be interested in them. It is my intention to supply a larger demand.

In reply to your question regarding my ancestry, I am pleased to say that my father's family belonged to the Van Buren family, which came from Holland and settled in eastern New York along the Hudson. I do not know which branches of the family may have obtained money from the original estate, but I do not happen to belong among them. The family is much scattered, and whether any are benefited by original wealth of the Van Buren family, I do not know. I wish I knew some way by which you might have
I want to thank you for your interest in my work, and if an opportunity ever presents itself I hope I may have the pleasure of meeting you.

Ithaca, N. Y., May 4, 1904.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. C. E. Coetz
Davidson Association.
N. W. T., Canada.

Dear Mrs. Coetz:

In reply to your interesting letter of the 12th of April, let me say first that I am sorry for the delay in answering it. It is difficult to give advice regarding conditions which are not close at hand, since one fails to take in all sides of the question. Your question as to whether it would pay best to hire help and oversee it, or try to manage alone, is hard to answer. If there were work enough, and a profit could be made by that work (providing there was a good person to oversee it), it probably would pay to hire the help, since there is so much gained in thorough management, but help costs money, and it would depend upon how much could be gained in securing it.

Also, there are many ways of saving strength and time, as well as money, in doing the work on a farm. I am glad to send you copies of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, with the hope that you may be interested in them.

In reply to your question regarding my ancestry, I am pleased to say that my father's family belonged to the Van Rensselaer stock which managed the Hudson settlements of eastern New York along the Hudson. I do not know what branches of the family may have obtained money from the original estate, but I do not happen to belong among them. The family is much scattered, and whether any are benefited by original wealth of the Van Rensselaer's, I do not know. I wish I knew some way by which you might have
I want to thank you for your interest in my work, and if an opportunity ever presents itself I hope I may have the pleasure of meeting you.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Ithaca, N. Y., May 19, 1924.
Ithaca, N. Y., May 12, 1906.

Miss Eunice Upham
Lechford, N. Y.

Dear Miss Upham:—

I have you in mind, and our happened to know that
you have formed a Dramatic Club, July 11, 1906, the Leaders
of the Farmer's Wife, and your sending you the summer year's work,
are L. A. Lawson
in the Dramatic Club, making a trip. This reminds me of the
Toronto, Can.

and the及 the Drama records of your Club.

Dear Miss Lawson:—

I hope that you will make some use of this in any form, and
I think after the new college year begins that
there is any way in which we can further your interests in
the Club work. I shall be glad to hear from you. We are deeply
interested in everything pertaining to this line of work, and
at present upon a rather small basis in the line of printing, but
I hope we shall be able to bring it up to something in the fall. I am.

we are promised more in the fall months. I will keep your letter
in mind, and send you as soon as the new supply is printed what
we have. I am especially with it in my own county, and
you will probably need for the Association. I shall be very much
interested in your work, and hope to know more about it. You can

if I can get any time assist you in your work and perhaps, as the 

The occasion arises just at present what subjects in addition to
those we have treated will be of most value. We have to treat
the subjects from the standpoint of the Farmer's wife, and in all
respects the lessons do not meet other conditions. However, it
is desired to make them as general as possible...

should you have printed programs or reports at any time.

which will suggest the work you are doing. I shall be glad to
receive them.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

I am very much pleased to hear that you are

interested in the Farmer's Wife's Extension Course, and wonder you

have written us regarding the. We hope to be more in this line
next year than our funds have enabled us to do in the past year,

and I trust that your interest will remain with us.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., June 11, 1904.

Miss Dora Milliman
Leon, N. Y.

Dear Miss Milliman:

I am very much pleased to receive the names of the women of your Grange who will do the work on the Farmers’ Wives’ Course. I will have sent to them the first year’s work, and will begin receiving the second. This will give material to work upon until the second year’s work is sent out. In many Granges, the Lessons are taken up for discussion among the women, and they are formed into a club. I send you Miss I. A. Lawson
35 Bernard Ave., Toronto, Can.

Dear Miss Lawson:

I think after the new college year begins that we can send you a number of copies of the Farmers’ Wives’ Course circulars which explain more in regard to its preparation for use in the Economic Association. Our work is being run just as necessary to have this form, but it keeps us in little closer relations present upon a rather small basis in the line of printing, but I shall be much interested in the work in your Grange, as we are promised more in the fall months. I will keep your letter in mind, and send you as soon as the new supply is printed what we will probably need for the Association. I shall be very much interested in your work, and hope to know more about it. You can probably give us many ideas, and I hope you will write freely.

Very sincerely,

The question arises just at present what subjects in addition to those we have treated will be of most value. We have to treat the subjects from the standpoint of the farmer’s wife, and in all respects the Lessons do not meet other conditions. However, it is desired to make them as general as possible.

Should you have printed programs or reports at any time, which will suggest the work you are doing, I shall be glad to receive them.

Very cordially,

I am very much pleased to know that you are interested in the Farmers’ Wives’ Reading-Course, and am glad you have written us regarding it. We hope to do more in this line next year than our funds have enabled us to do in the past year, and I trust that your interest will remain with us.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., June 11, 1904.

Miss Dora Millimen
Leon, N. Y.

Dear Miss Millimen:—

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If I can at any time assist you in your work, please let me know.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. N. D. Bryant
R. F. L. No. 1
Seneca Falls, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Bryant:—

I am very much pleased to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and am glad you have written me regarding it. We hope to do more in this line next year than our funds have enabled us to do in the past year, and I trust that your interest will remain with us.

Very cordially,
Mrs. Amelia Colwell
R. F. D. No. 1,
Welsh, Pa., N. Y.
Miss Evelyn N. Nye
Dear Mrs. Colwell:
Dear Miss Nye:

I have read your answers to the quiz with much interest, and appreciate your taking this trouble. It always brings us in closer touch with our readers if they send in answers to the quiz. I am asking the Chautauqua office to send the children's books. We are very glad indeed to send them wherever you whatever is necessary in order to obtain the Chautauqua certificate, and it is a pleasure to receive such lists.

Since PETS AND ANIMALS subscription list came into my hands I have been unable to see the Chautauqua management, in April, and shall not fail in this for any reason known now. I am in order to make different arrangements for the clubs, as I have been wondering just what you would like to have me do by that occasion, all for several months. I shall see them in a week or two, and if they have not already arranged to send these certificates, I would be a matter of pleasant diversion for you to know about our think it can be done in the near future. I wish you much success.

Thanking you for the little card which brings a message of it please you, I will speak of that as well as expressing my interest, in the work, and the work of your club in particular.

Very sincerely,

Hoping that you are having a pleasant winter without too much strenuousness in your labors, I am,

Very cordially,

Miss Alice Rose Hubbard
Miss Sylvan W. Nye
132 St. James Place,
Dear Miss Nye,
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Miss Nye:

I am very glad to receive the full list of members of your club, and assure you that it is none too many for us to send the bulletins to. We are very glad indeed to send them wherever they are desired, and it is a pleasure to receive such lists.

I am keeping in mind the fact that I am to be with your club in April, and shall not fail in this for any reason known now. I am wondering just what you would like to have me do on that occasion. Would you like to have me talk on general club interests, or would it be a matter of pleasant diversion for you to know about our Farmers' Wives' work? I know there are other speakers on this occasion, and of course you would want a talk of only a few moments. The Farmers' Wives' work is rather unique and interesting, and if it pleases you I will speak of that as well as expressing my interest in club work, and the work of your club in particular.

Hoping that you are having a pleasant winter without too much strenuousness in your labors, I am,

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 3, 1905.

Miss Rose R. Wallis
Mayville, N. Y.

Dear Miss Wallis:

I notice on the card that you have returned you

Miss Alva Rose Hubbard
Frederick, N. Y.

in the list of Experiment Station bulletins.

I will make inquiry of some one who has done a great deal of work in this subject when I have an opportunity.

Miss Alva Rose Hubbard is a government-sent investigator, I have many connections with our

Farmers' Wives' bulletins, and want to thank you for the same.

Your answers are suggestive and full of interest at your Reason why

Because it is a woman's reason, but does not throw any light on it

the subject for the club to which you belong to, to become federated

you send me your question and I wish that this bulletin, published by the U. S. Department

in our survey of our Experiment Station here, think that there

might be some question you would like to have answered. Notice you are

discussed in the Law and garden held only in the summer at

Chautauqua, and some of your questions to Prof. Cleary who is the master Horticulturalist, and I believe he has written. You will then

have the opportunity to hear from you at any time, and hope that

you are happy and that you are appreciating your mind. I wish to ask about, you will be interested in the questions you ask not do so unthinkingly, if present.

You are at liberty to send them back in the same envelope if you

wish. We are not particular about that. We like to feel

that the bulletin we read with interest, and it is a pleasure to

hear from our readers in the way you have written.

With best wishes, I am.

Very cordially,

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Miss Rose E. Wallis
Mayville, N. Y.

Dear Miss Wallis:

I notice on the card that you have returned you want a bulletin on the subject of draining meadows. We have nothing here, and it is not included in the list of Experiment Station bulletins.

Miss Elizabeth Sauer
Gaspert, N. Y.

Dear Miss Sauer:

The names of the members of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and they have been enrolled.

In reply to your question regarding the Federation let me say that one needs to be a member of a club which is federated. If it is not possible for the club to which you belong to become federated you can join the Chautauqua Woman's Club, which is made up of members from all over the country, and which is a member of the Federation. This club is federated so that all of its members are members of the Federation. The meetings are held only in the summer at Dryden, N. Y. The Chautauqua. This can be done by sending your name with twenty-five cents, to Mrs. E. I. Vincent, Greeley, Colorado. Youth will then have all of the privileges of the Federation, and I think it a very good plan. The next meeting will be held in Buffalo, and I hope you can be present.

I am glad to hear from you regarding the bulletin. If you wish them not to be particular about that. We like to feel that the bulletin are read with interest, and it is a pleasure to hear from our readers in the way you have written.

With best wishes, I am,

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Dear Miss Wallis:

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I am glad you are interested in receiving the Farmers' Wives' bulletins, and assure you that if there is anything in our lists which you would like to have I should be glad to hear from you.

I am glad to hear from you regarding the Farmers' Wives' work, and assure you that if you do not feel like answering the questions you need not do so until it is quite convenient. You are at liberty to send them back in the same envelope if you wish. We are not at all particular about that. We like to feel that the bulletins we read with interest, and it is a pleasure to hear from our readers in the way you have written.

With best wishes, I am,

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 3, 1905.

Mrs. John H. Thompson
Farmers' Wives, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Thompson:-

It is a pleasure to have your letter, and to know of your continued interest in our work. The same conditions exist with all of us no doubt that we are endeavoring to overcome the obstacles which must needs come, and make the best of circumstances. Your letter is a hopeful one, and I think you are right in being grateful that your children are growing up to be good and useful citizens. We shall be glad to see your son at Cornell some day, and should he come I hope he will call upon us.

I note what you say regarding cooking recipes, and will send you some sent by our farmers' wives. As farmers' wives are good cooks no doubt these will be good recipes.

Very sincerely,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 3, 1905.

Mrs. John H. Thompson
Farmers' Wives, N. Y.
know how the work progresses.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 6, 1905.

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 3, 1905.

Mrs. Ella Crayley
Barnes Corners, N. Y.

Mrs. Gertrude Popping

Miss Maud L. Marshall
47 St. John's Place,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Miss Marshall,

It was a pleasure to hear from your last letter that the bulletins have not been received by your club. The chief clerk in the mailing department has your letter stating that you did not receive your Reading-Course bulletins. I will send you all the bulletins that are in print up to date, and the others will be sent you as soon as they are published. We have changed the order of the bulletins to an extent to make it quite impossible to immediately straighten out all difficulties; but if I bring them up to date, and then send you the rest within a few weeks, that is the best I can do.

I am with the other mail to go today. I wrote you in another letter how anxious I am to say something as to your welfare, but I also consider it essential that you should be made aware of the fact that your letter was received. I have not heard from you for a long time, and I am not complaining. Very cordially,

Hoping that you will find pleasure in reading these, and assuring you that we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, I am,

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Mr. Mr. Mrs. Eila Crexley Mrs. Gertrude Sherman
Barnes Corners, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Crexley:

My dear Mrs. Sherman:

I was sorry to know from your last letter that the bulletins have not been received by your club. The chief clerk consulted with a man who said, "I want to thank you for the excellent suggestions that you have been making."

In the mailing department told me that when the list came the lessons you have returned, and for the many suggestions contained in answer to each of our sons, the clerks were asked to send the list to each member recorded on the list or Aquestrum. It is a pleasure to me to have these complete answers, as they give me the pleasure of knowing that they went out in December. Your letter of Jan. 9th advised me valuable aid toward the bulletin, which are prepared from time to time. The subject of keeping boys and girls upon the farm is well treated by you, and your ideas appeal to me very strongly. I have myself informed you that you have received no printed matter. I have myself found it a very unusual thing for a farmer and his boys to take the hour of rest and put them with the other mail to go today. I wrote you in answer to your suggestion. While I have much to say about this in connection with the women's and men's work, and while the mail is not so frequently sent, we also consider it essential to your letter of the 9th, and in writing again to say that this before the men have this period of rest. Is this a matter of much regret to me that you have not had the lessons, and to have, yet not for some time seen a tool to which you refer. In fact, I have and I do not comprehend the difficulty. It is our custom to send your suggestions of something of the sort. I wish you might be able to find one to such a recorded on the list rather than to the offices, unless otherwise the rest of the work can very creditably be done by hand. We are advised that they should be sent in one package to one address.

I will ask you to kindly write me if you do not receive these, and if the members do not have theirs. Something must be done in the postoffice department, because we feel sure that three sets have gone to each member of this club. However, we will have patience and perseverance until you have all of these lessons. You have been exceedingly gracious about it, and I hope when they finally reach you they will be just what you want. We are very glad to receive suggestions from our members regarding the course, and to
know how the work progresses.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

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Mr. F. A. Ward
R. E. C. 330,

Mrs. Gertrude Sherman
Edgemere,

Dear Sir:—Willard, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Sherman:—Your favor of Feb. 20th I would beg to say that I have consulted with a man who has just returned, and for the many suggestions contained in answer to some of our questions. It is a benefit to us to have these complete answers, as they give valuable aid toward the bulletin which are prepared from time to time. The subject of keeping boys and girls upon the farm is well treated by you, and your ideas appeal strongly. I have not for some time seen a tool to which you refer. In fact, I have looked for something of the sort, I wish you might be able to find one.

Otherwise the rest of the work is very cordially, done by hand.

The building for a laundry should be as near as possible in a central position, well lighted and ventilated, and situated in the midst of the grange or society.

Above all, an abundant supply of water is necessary, and should be obtained if possible, free of cost,—that is to say, by means of being near a river or stream, or gravity, or other natural water supply. I have always found this system to be the most economical, and have employed it successfully upon you in taking its place.

Otherwise the rest of the work may be done as usual, and have placed your power to use the machinery, and should be placed in a shed outside the building.

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Mrs. Gertrude Sherman
Edgemere,
Ithaca, N. Y., March 24, 1905.

Mr. F. A. Ward
R. R. T. 380,
Enmore, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your favor of Feb. 20th I would beg to say that I have consulted with a man who has been in the University this year, who has once equipped a laundry machinery company in this city with a fully equipped laundry in England, and who has made out specifications for a small plant at the Agricultural College. He advises that it would require at least one hundred and fifty families in your immediate neighborhood to start a steam laundry.

According to the various catalogues we have received, the plant, exclusive of machinery, would cost about one hundred and fifty dollars, and would be as follows:

1. One washing machine, one hydro extractor, one steam mangle, and a small hot-air drying room, which would be used in winter. Out door drying can be resorted to in summer, thereby saving expense. The most expensive of these machines would be the steam mangle, which is utilized for flat goods, such as table clothes, napkins, pocket handkerchiefs, and the like. If you have any starch work in the shape of shirts and collars, in quantities, we would suggest a shirt and collar machine.

Otherwise the rest of the work can be conveniently done by hand.

The building for a laundry should be as near as possible to a central position, well lighted and ventilated, and situated in the midst of the grange or society.

Above all, an abundant supply of water is necessary, and should be obtained, if possible, free of cost—that is to say, by means of being near a river or stream. As to fuel, we are glad to have you upon our list, and hope that these bulletins may be suggestive—necessarily clean. By so doing you will save an enormous expense. There should also be ample drainage.

It should also not be very far from a station on account of the haulage of the coal for the engine. An ordinary good-sized threshing engine would supply sufficient
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Mr. W. J. Parsons
Rear E., Mar. 24, 1905.

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

power I bought the machinery, and should be placed in a shed outside the building.

regarding your help, I presume that those who have already done the washing
will come in and assist as helpers. You will also require a professional male hand
as washerman, to run the machinery part of it. Write you by the 25th of March with a
letter. For further information you had better apply direct to any of the following
Laundry machinery companies: Troy Laundry Machine Co., Troy, N. Y.; Sinclair
Laundry machinery Co., 56 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill.; Steel Rollin Co., 84 W.
S. Canal St., Chicago, Ill.; Nelson & Krussel & Co., 955 N. Spaulding Ave., Chicago,

I hasten you may receive this bulletin, as we
realize I would like to mention also that one should be careful and not be led away by
laundry agents telling you to buy a lot of unnecessary machinery, as I consider that
which I have mentioned here is all that is necessary for a small laundry plant.

Very truly yours,

Robert B. Carson
County Agent.

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Miss Elizabeth Stowell

I was glad to hear from our vicinity might come here for a short course
in the Winter. I have a number of suggestions relative to the outside farm work. I
am glad to have you have the bulletin, and have placed your
name upon our mailing list. Dairy, and with the poultry and farming generally.

They are sorry for the application which has deprived you of the companionship of your
mother, and realize the responsibility which has fallen upon you in taking her place.

Hoping that you may come again to Ithaca sometime, I am,

Very sincerely,

Miss Elizabeth Stowell

Black Creek, N. Y.
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Mrs. B. F. Brooker,
Palmyra, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Brooker:

Mrs. Lettie B. Dix
R. F. D. #18,

Kennedy, N. Y.,

I have sent you copies of the Reading-Course for Farmers' Wives, with the hope that it may be of assistance to you in your work in the Mothers' meet-

Dear Mrs. Dix:

I am aware that if I were to write you by the 25th of March with a letter such as you have suggested, I would need to write it soon. I should like very much to hear the excellent communications and productions of the different interesting topics for discussion in the Mothers' meetings. They have been taken members of the Grange, and wish I might be with you on this occasion. Were the up by a number of clubs throughout the state in this way, and we are very glad thus distance not so great between Ithaca and Randolph, I should certainly be there. to come into contact and sympathy with your work.

I am very busy in our Extension Department in sending off our bulletins, as we realize that farmers will soon be busy in the field, and farmers' wives will have their labors greatly increased as the warm weather comes.

I wish I might spend a few weeks in Cattaraugus County at this time when the sap begins to run, and sugar is made, such as other parts of this state do not know much about. I often see syrup and maple sugar in the groceries which Cattaraugus Mrs. J. D. Corvelft.

County inhabitants would not think worth eating.

I wish some of the boys from our vicinity might come here for a short course

Dear Mrs. Corvelft:—

in the winter. We have had over two hundred students this winter in the Short-

As most of your questions pertain to the outside farm work, I Course, and they have had a fine time in their work and in their associations. have referred them to the Farmers' Reading-Course, and in regard to the question of They do practical work in the dairy, and with the poultry and farming generally.

bread making, I think that Bulletin No. 112, "Bread and Bread Making," published by They are a fine lot of men, whom the University has great reason to be proud of.

the U. S. Government, will give you an interesting discussion upon that subject, and We have a few women in the Course who expect to have farms, or who have been on a answer any questions which you had. It can be obtained free of charge by writing farm, and want to take up farming for themselves. There seems to be a fine field

to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and asking for Farmers' Bulletin for women in horticultural and agricultural lines, and that is the reason it did not have a prompt answer.

Wishing my brothers and sisters in the Grange a very prosperous season, I am,

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Mrs. E. J. Brooker
Palmyra, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Brooker:-

I have sent you copies of the Reading-Course for Farmers' Wives, with the hope that it may be of assistance to you in your work in the Mothers' meetings. I enclosed a roster upon which names may be enrolled, and if you will send names of those to whom you would like to have the lessons sent, we shall be glad to send them, and I presume a number of the lessons will be suggestive of interesting topics for discussion in the Mothers' meetings. They have been taken up by a number of women throughout the State in this way, and we are very glad thus to come into touch and sympathy with your work.

Wishing you much success, I am,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Mrs. J. D. Coryell
R. F. D. #12
Branchport, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Coryell:-

As most of your questions pertain to the outside farm work, I have referred them to the Farmers' Reading-Course, and in regard to the question of bread making, I think that Bulletin No. 112, "Bread and Bread Making", published by the U. S. Government, will give you an interesting discussion upon that subject, and answer any questions which you had. It can be obtained free of charge by writing to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., and asking for Farmers' Bulletin No. 112. Your letter was mislaid in some way, and that is the reason it did not have a prompt answer.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

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My dear Mrs. Guyett:—

I am pleased to have your letter; and to know that you are still interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, even though you have left the farm, and are working in a rural district. You had asked me for copies of the Reading-Course list. I hope you were able to secure them. I neglected to write you at the time, explaining why they did not come to you direct from this office. They are an excellent assortment which you have selected. I now send you another list of the Reading-Course, with the names of those upon whom you can call. Should you desire to send me the names of women I shall be glad to place them upon our mailing list. There is a Farmers' Reading-Course which is available also for this purpose.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

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Mrs. Frank Van Campen
Belmont, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gibson:—

You don't mean to say that you are going back on the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. I found your card among others returned, on which you suggested that no more copies need be sent. Now I know you are not a farmer's wife, and that you probably will not be, but you are my friend, and I want you to know that it is my desire to encourage all who are interested in the work which the Farmer's Wives' Reading-Course is endeavoring to do here. You do not need to answer the questions, and it involves no responsibility in this respect.

I hope you are having a pleasant winter, and that all has been well with you and yours.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

To,

I, Mrs. J. E. Kittredge,

Gagenusa, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Kittredge:

I am pleased to have your letter, and to know that you are still interested in the Farmers' Wives' Bulletin, even though you have left the farm. We find in our Extension work that ministers have a fine opportunity to interest their parishioners in literature of this sort; if they are working in a rural district, and for that reason I am very glad to send you copies of the Reading-Course, and hope you will advisable if there is anything further which may be sent to aid you in carrying interesting suggestions to those upon whom you call. Should you desire to send me the names of women I shall be glad to place them upon our mailing list. There is a Farmers' Reading-Course which is available also for this purpose.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Mrs. Frank Van Campen,
Belmont, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Van Campen:

I received the books which you returned to me, and am glad if they were helpful in any way. I find that the second volume of the Primer on Forestry has not been printed. I am sorry that this is the case, as it would doubtless help you to take up your work where you have left it. If I come across anything which I think would aid you, I shall be glad to send it.

I hope I may meet you at the meeting of the Federation in June.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 24, 1905.

Mrs. C. C. Rising
Cassville, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Rising:

Sometime ago you wrote me regarding certain questions which interested you in connection to your house, and I referred these questions to Prof. Ogden, believing that he could give expert knowledge concerning the subjects. I enclose herewith his reply to your questions, and hope that they may throw some light upon the subject. Should you wish to ask anything more specific in regard to it I will be glad to refer the questions to him.

Very cordially,

[Address]

I am glad to hear that the work of the Department of Science has been so successful. Many bright people have not gone within college walls, but they are well equipped for the business of life by the farm, and are well qualified to consider farm problems from a truly scientific and practical standpoint. For that reason the effort is made to cheer the college to the people who cannot come to the college. A large amount of literature goes out from here, and many questions are sent to be answered by those who are making a life study of farm problems. The special work which I have in charge is the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and we were a membership of fifteen thousand copies. I assure you this affords a large amount of pleasure and interest to me, and I hope that it is doing good. If it were not there would be little pleasure in it.

I know you have been exceedingly successful in your life work, and as you are new perhaps not as strong as you have been, I hope you will find a great deal of gratification in it. Your children have risen up to be an honor to you, and that is the greatest thing that parents work for.

I know you your letter is a great encouragement, and have given me very much pleasure. It is very kind of you to write me. I remember your kind visit when I used to go about among the schools of our county.

Yours sincerely,
I am glad that the work of the Farmers' Wives Reading-Course Professor Bailey called my attention to your note in a recent paper and revived our acquaintance, for I remember writing you many times when I was in your county to express your pleasure in receiving BOYS AND GIRLS in Cattaraugus County, and always with a great deal of pleasure on my part. You ask for another shipment, and I am going to ask you to kindly let us know in this respect.

The BOYS AND GIRLS magazine is directed by the Junior Naturalist Department, although it has been published under the auspices of the Cornell Nature-Study Department for about fifteen years. It is printed as a truly scientific and practical standpoint. For that reason the effort is made to carry the college to the people who cannot come to the place. The large amount of literature goes out from here, and many questions are answered by these who are making a study of farm problems. The special work which I have in charge is the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and we have a membership of fifteen thousand women. I assure you this affords a large amount of reading and much good work in being done. You need not send me anything to be printed in an of pleasure and interest to me, and hope you will do so. If you have not many of the papers printed in the College may be an inspiration to children or the subject of study, you shall be very glad indeed to have your assistance.

I realize that your letter is a great encouragement, and has given me very much pleasure. It is very kind of you to write me. I remember your cordial hand-shake as I used to go about among the schools of our county.

Yours sincerely,
It was a great pleasure to me to receive your verbal letter recently, and to know that you are still interested in our Farmern's Voice reading course, and I am sure that you are still interested in its superintendence. I always look forward with interest to receiving your letter expressing your interest in the work.

My dear Miss Bock:

The Professor Bailey called my attention to your note in a recent letter to him, in which you express your pleasure in receiving BOYS AND GIRLS. I am glad that you are taking an interest in the work which I have been able to furnish in the past, and I hope that you will continue to do so.

I am enclosing a recent issue of the magazine, which will be mailed to you by the post office. I hope that you will find it of interest. The work which is done here, and the amount of advertising which has been done, has been able to furnish out of the state readers a considerable number of copies to those who have been interested in the work.

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Yours truly,

Very cordially yours,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 21, 1905.

Mrs. E. C. Gifford,
Jamaica, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gifford:

It was a great pleasure to me to receive your cordial letter recently with its breath of fragrance from the Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 21, 1905, for, and to know that you are still interested in our Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and I am

My dear Friend: In that you are still interested in the Supervisor's. I always look forward with much pleasure to receiving your interest in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course and in the Supervision. I suppose when we are engaged in a few different lines of work together, most of us realize of this separate branching off into agricultural lines. However, we little know when we are doing such work what it is, how much we need to walk with the small field which seems to be alone. You would be interested, as I am, to tell you many of the changes which are taking place in various ways, and I hope sometime to have an opportunity kinder to walk with some. In summer when our Farmers' Wives' are much occupied with work in the houses, both in the house and out of it, they give little attention to reading. This provides a good opportunity for getting work ready for them in the winter months. Last summer I was too much of an invalid to do anything of the kind, and this year have been much crowded in my work, but it looks better now because I am getting caught up and hope I shall keep up. I have enjoyed the long steady rain.

I have not been the round letter for some time, it has certainly seemed somewhere, but still we do look forward to us again.

I hope you are enjoying the anticipation of the springtime, which is soon to be with us. After this busy, steady, cold winter it will seem good to us all.

With much love, I am yours.

Very cordially yours,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

Mrs. W. C. Clifford
Jamestown, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Clifford:

It was a great pleasure to me to receive your cordial letter recently with its breath of fragrance from the cucumber farm you have cared for, and to know that you are still interested in our Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and that you are still interested in its Supervisor. I always look forward with much pleasure to have your card, and to know that you are interested in our Farmers' Wives' Work. I believe that you are a farmer's wife yourself, and will have a fellow feeling for the work which we have under way. I find it exceedingly interesting, and assure you that it gives me plenty of occupation, since we now have every different textbook which we have been using in the winter, and that I small changes have been made in the course of study. This gives opportunity for correspondence with a large number of them, and it is very interesting to get their point of view, particularly much interested in the clipping which you have kindly sent on the strange life of a farm woman, and it only shows what we so often see where life is entirely given up to the household duties. We get a great many stories of this sort, and some of them our friends would find it hard to believe, but I think they are only too true.

My dear Mrs. Clifford:

I hope the winter is serving you well, and that you and Mr. Dow have not been ill. I sent you upon receipt of your letter library circulars. It has been upon the whole a pretty vigorous winter, and rather trying, I think. However, I have enjoyed the long steady cold.

I have found it in obtaining books which you desire from the state library. These libraries are proving of much value in gardens and clubs, and I am glad that you are making it a feature of your work. We shall be glad at any time to know of any interest which we may add to your program by reading bulletin, etc., while snow and ice. It is a beautiful sight. I suppose if we were in Cattaraugus County we would call it a sugar snow.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 21, 1905.

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[Signature]
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My dear Mrs. Clifford:-

It was a great pleasure to me to receive your cordial letter recently with its breath of fragrance from the flowers which you have cared for, and to know that you are still interested in our Farmers' Grange Reading Course, and I am going to believe that you are still interested in its Supervisor. I always look forward with much pleasure to meeting you in the summer, and some day I wish I might drop into your home, and see the Clifford homestead. I think it must be an ideal home.

I appreciate your kind words, and assure you that in this busy life they came as an encouragement to the bulletin of the bulletin for the next time, and that is the reason we occasionally revise our lists. I hope this explanation clears the doubt from your mind of our intention to serve you fairly. I assure you we are all anxious to be of as much assistance as we can, and will welcome any requests which I hope may have assisted you in obtaining books which you desire from the state grange, from which I am glad to know that you are to make it a feature of your work. We shall be glad at this department to hear from you at any time to know of any interest which we may add to your programs by sending bulletins, etc.

Very cordially,

Wishing you much success in your undertaking, I am,

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

Mrs. Eliza R. Hampton
Orchard Park, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Hampton:

My letter of Mar. 1st had in some way been mislaid, and only came to my attention this morning. It contains the dollar for the library books, Mr. A. A. Handy and New York life, and the dollar to you as per your request. The list of books which I noted in my list is a very good one, and I am sure when you desire to have them sent you will find them differing quite a bit from your reading habits and interests. The list of names from our bulletin as the request is not unanswered. We leave that entirely to the judgment of those who are reading the bulletin, and the next we can do is to furnish them the bulletin if they desire. About a year ago we revised our list, and notice was printed in one of the bulletins to the effect that names would be dropped unless a request was sent to have them continued. This was done because so many post offices have been changed on account of the free delivery, and many of the farmers have changed their residence. The result is that time these bulletins get lodged where they are not received by those to whom they are sent, and that is the reason we occasionally revise our lists. I hope this explanation clears the doubt from your mind of our intention to serve you fairly. I assure you we are all anxious to be of as much assistance to our members as possible, and we shall await any request from you with much pleasure, but the list is outside of the State of New York, as this work is provided for under another application. I will send you the bulletin, and perhaps they may be suggestive to you in outlining the work for your club. I am sorry that is the situation, but you will readily see how difficult it would be to supply the demand from outside.

Wishing you much success in your undertaking, I am,

Very cordially,

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My dear Mrs. Hampton,

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Wishing you a pleasant day, and that we are unable to send the bulletin of the Reading-Course to any considerable extent outside of the State of New York, as this work is provided for under state appropriation. I will send you the bulletin, and perhaps they may be suggestive to you in outlining the work for your club. I am sorry this is the situation, but you will readily see how difficult it would be to supply the demand from outside.

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Mrs. Wm. Eldridge

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I trust that the work of your club during the season has been very pleasant and probably as well as ever. You have made a very wise choice of a club, and the work has been very profitable, and you may be assured of our continued support of the same. The dollar which pays for ten books, or the two dollars for twenty-five books, is merely to pay the necessary cost of transportation and packing. I would suggest that the work is not become so taxing in doing the work which you have planned. We can do much more good to the community in this direction and with less effort than if the same work is done by the same number of people. I am sure that the farmers' wives, and local people, would be glad to help you in any way possible.

Mrs. Eldridge, you will not become overtaxed in doing the work which you have planned. I am much interested in your letter, and in your plans for reading. The dollar which pays for ten books, or the two dollars for twenty-five books, will become an inspiration to both the older one, and perhaps the younger people in your locality. You would not want a library made up entirely of fiction, and these libraries are varied in their make-up, so that you could have about what you desire.

I will send you two of the lists which may help you to decide upon this, or if you write to the Librarian at Albany you can have a list made for you if you tell them what you desire. It is a good thing to take up some special subject along with the lighter reading which one desires to do.

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Ithaca, N.Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

Miss Jennie E. Jackson
Livonia, N. Y.

You will remember that you wrote me asking some questions in regard to the water upon your farm, and I have asked Prof. Ogden, who is an expert in these lines, to answer the questions. I am sending you that part of his letter which pertains to the questions which you asked. Should you desire further information upon this subject, he will be glad to help you in any way possible.

I note from your letter that you no longer care for the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and I can see that your work would not demand it as formerly. I trust that the work of your club during the season has been very pleasant and satisfactory planned. We can do more work when we relieve it with reading and with rest than if we devote ourselves strenuously to that which is so exacting. Although we are not sending the bulletins, however, there is a long season of busy work before the farmers' wives, and the months pass swiftly when so fully occupied.

Wishing you much pleasure in your season's plans, I am, very sincerely,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N.Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

Mrs. Smith B. Jennison
R. F. D. #2,
Marathon, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Jennison:--

I was much interested to have your letter, and to know how you are getting along in the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. I assure you I shall keep you in mind about the good things you are learning, and the discussions of the class. I have no doubt that you have so carefully and successfully answered all the questions you asked, and that your work has always been a benefit to you, and should you feel like writing at any time an answer to these questions, we are glad to have you have the bulletin. Your experience will always be a benefit to you, and should you feel like writing at any time an answer to these questions, we are glad to have you write them to us. We do not like to have our readers feel as though the work is not very strong that they have any special obligations in this respect, and if you feel this way, it will be a great comfort to us.

I suppose the busy work for the season comes on now, and the people on the farm will soon be absorbed in the work which drives.

Very cordially,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

Mrs. Joseph Y. Moore
Northfield, Indiana.

Dear Mrs. Moore,

You will remember that you wrote me asking some questions in regard to the water upon your farm, and I have asked Prof. Ogden, who is an expert in these matters, to answer the questions. I am sending you that part of his letter which pertains to the subject of the water and your question about the answers to the discussion papers, to answer the questions. I am sending you that part of his letter which pertains to the subject, has it?

I trust that the work of your club during the season has been very pleasant and profitable, and you may be assured of our continued interest during the season. I believe that the work of the season comes on now, and the people on the farm will be much absorbed in the work which drives.

Yours cordially,

Ogden, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

Mrs. B. Bergtold
R. F. D.,
Lancaster, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Bergtold,

I was much interested in your letter, and to know that you have worked on the subjects for next year. You have given many ideas upon these subjects, which will be of material interest in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and I have read these with much appreciation. I am very glad indeed to have your letter and the discussion papers which you have so carefully and successfully answered. You have given many ideas upon these subjects, which will be of material interest in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and I have read these with much appreciation. I always appreciate the fact that farmers' wives are interested in their daughters and the work pertaining to the farm home life, and believe it will be a great benefit to the daughters.

Very cordially,

I suppose the busy work of the season comes on now, and the people on the farm will be much absorbed in the work which drives.

Very cordially,

Ogden, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.
Dear Mrs. Ogden:

I note your interest in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and in reply to your question as to the price at which they may be obtained, with much interest, and appreciate the care you have taken in answering the questions. The suggestions which you have made will add very much to the interest in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course, and I trust that you have received some inspiration from the bulletins which are being sent to you.

I suppose the busy work of the season comes on now, and the people on the farm will soon be much absorbed in the work which drives. I recall the very thorough manner in which you have answered the questions in the discussion paper, and for the valuable suggestions which you have regiven. I shall appreciate your continued interest in this respect, and hope the bulletins are proving of value to you all written. Our last arrangement made for subjects for next year, and no more will be printed until fall. Should I find time, I will be glad to favor you with a call, and see if we are cousins, just how far removed it may be.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.

My dear Mrs. Van Rensselaer:

I was much interested to have your letter, and to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. I assure you I shall keep you in mind should I be in your section again. I used to visit Teachers' Institutes, but of late have been more closely confined to my work at the University, and do not do very much traveling. I am interested in my kinsfolk, and am wondering if we are cousins, just how far removed it may be. I called once upon Mrs. Thumb in Philadelphia, but did not meet the daughter of whom you speak. Should you ever be in this section I hope you will give us the pleasure of a call from you.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1905.
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Mrs. Joseph T. Moore
Monticello, Indiana.

Dear Mrs. Moore:

I note your interest in the work of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and in reply to your question as to the price at which they may be obtained, let me say that the work is under state appropriation, and is free to residents of New York State. It is apparent that it would be difficult to supply any particular demand outside of the state, and for that reason an arrangement has been made whereby the bulletins may be secured by those in other states through the printer at Albany.

I enclose a circular showing the cost of these bulletins, and in the discussion I want to thank you for the very thorough manner in which you have answered the questions in the discussion paper, and for the valuable suggestions which you have regiven. I shall appreciate your continued interest in this respect, and hope the bulletin are proving of value to you all written. Our plans are not yet made for subjects for next. Very cordially, bulletins are all printed for this year, and no more will be printed until fall. Should I find when the subjects are worked up that there is some field open to you, I will be glad to write you. I am sure you will never regret the work which you are doing now, because it is that which no one can do so well as a daughter, and which is always hard to get done well. If neglected, much unhappiness and discomfort arises, and stenography isn't of much account compared with the ability to lend to the home the helpfulness which is needed at such a time.

With best wishes, I am, very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 22, 1905.

Miss Ida L. Krum
Caroline Depot, N. Y.

Dear Miss Krum:

I am interested in your letter, and in the discussion paper which you have returned. You have answered the questions well. I have also read with interest your printed letter regarding the George Junior Republic. It is an interesting account of a great enterprise, and is well written. Our plans are not yet made for subjects for next year. The bulletins are all printed for this year, and no more will be printed until fall. Should I find when the subjects are worked up that there is some field open to you, I will be glad to write you. I am sure you will never regret the work which you are doing now, because it is that which no one can do as well as a daughter, and which is always hard to get done well. If neglected, much unhappiness and discomfort arises, and stenography isn't of much account compared with the ability to lend to the home the helpfulness which is needed at such a time.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 22, 1905.

Miss Sarah W. Tyco
New York City.

My dear Miss Tyco:

My dear Mrs. Lyons:

I am interested in your letter as well as the one I received from you that if they are not in the line in which you are interested, you may make any disposition of them that you wish. I am only wondering whether you have received what you desire, and if we have anything which will be of assistance to you, I will see that it is sent, if you will kindly indicate the subjects in which you are interested.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 22, 1905.

Mrs. Riley Moore

Miss S. Maria Elliott,
338 Charles St.,

Mrs. Sarah W. Lyons.

New York City.

My dear Miss Elliott: I have read with interest your discussion paper.

My dear Mrs. Lyons:--I am glad to have your letter indicating your interest in the Farmers' Institutes in this state. It has been under the direction of the College of Agriculture at Cornell, and I regard your position here, so that I have been able to keep you informed of the progress of the movement. Perhaps I cannot say that the workers get five dollars a day, but I have no definite knowledge.

I wish you much success, and hope the work will prove very enjoyable to you.

I will send that it is sent, if you will kindly indicate the subjects in which you are interested.

Very sincerely,
Dear Mrs. Bell Wilson,

Miss Sylvie M. Nye, N.Y.,
132 St. James Place,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Dear Miss Nye:

I find that I can come to your Grange better on the 26th of April. I plan to be with you on the 3rd of April, and shall leave home at 7:30 in the morning, reaching Buffalo at 11:40 A.M. I shall be pleased to see you at your convenience, and if I may save you the trouble of meeting me at the train, I shall be glad to do so, as I can arrange to meet you at any place which you may indicate.

I appreciate your invitation, and look forward to a pleasant visit for me.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 22, 1905.

Mrs. Riley Moses
Casvville, N. Y.

My dear Miss Cook:

Dear Mrs. Moses:

Mr. Percy has asked me to go to one of the school houses near here on next Friday evening and give a little talk on some subject relating to the and am pleased to have your ideas upon these subjects. I note the women's work, and suggested that I invite some young women to go and have some part discussion which was raised by the letter from one of our corps-

I have thought that if you can go on that occasion I should like pendants regarding the making of beds in the early morning. This to have you say something about the improvement of school grounds or school rooms, is a point well taken, and I think your club has the best of the suggesting what may be done by the women toward making the school time more attractive.

argument. We print these letters often as they are received, and they are to that subject, and I have a few school house rules which you can use they are to bring up discussion, and lead to suggestive thoughts.

If you see it, should you prefer to speak upon some other topic you can do.

along the domestic lines.

I am glad to say the office will remain here for the time being and I will glad to talk this over with you, or I will be by your house for the afternoon and evening.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Mar. 29, 1905.

Mrs. Bell Wilson
and the 336 Water St.,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 17, 1905.

Dear Miss Wilson:

I find that I can come to your Grange better on the 29th of April than any other date, and shall be pleased to do so. Either one of the other dates would be very interesting for me to be with you, but I could not come on the 15th, and think it would be difficult to arrange for this week Saturday.

I appreciate your invitation, and assure you it would be a pleasant visit for me.

Very sincerely,

A request has come from the chairman of the Recommendation Committee of Cornell, asking for a Domestic Science teacher from Colgate School in Pennsylvania. Should
Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 17, 1905.

My dear Miss Cook:

Mr. Perky has asked me to go to one of the school houses near here on next Friday evening and give a talk on some subject relating to the women’s work, and suggested that I invite some young women to go and have some part in the program. I have thought that if you can go on that occasion I should like to have you say something about the improvement of school grounds, or school rooms, suggesting what can be done by the women toward making the school room more attractive. They are to have a lecture, and I have a few school house slides which you can use inter to the lecture. Should you prefer to speak upon some other topic you can do so.

It is convenient to step into the office soon; forenoon I will be glad to talk this over with you, or I will be at my home in the afternoon and evening.

Very sincerely,

Mr. Paddock, President of the Industrial School in Idaho, called upon me recently, asking me to recommend a teacher of cooking for his school. I judge from his explanation that it is a most interesting work which they are doing, and they take the sons and daughters of the farmers, farmers and cattle dealers throughout the mountain, and train them to live. They are boarded at the school, Experiment Stations and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and thus bringing a remuneration for their labor, Washington, D. C., as it is possible to support the school. He did not say definitely what salary would be paid, but I judge it is not a large one, perhaps four or five hundred dollars and board, and even a small salary is better than a much larger one in a city where a teacher has to support herself. It would seem to me that one would need to be much interested in order to undertake it, and if you know of anyone that you can recommend, Mr. Paddock will be very appreciative. I do not know of any one at the present time. I enclose the address which he said could be used to reach him, as he is now traveling from place to place visiting colleges.

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My dear Miss Darroze:

I do not know whether you have received copies of pamphlet containing the illustrations which you assisted me in securing. You will perhaps be interested in these, especially the one pertaining to the utensils which came out rather better than the illustrations of meats. I send you a few copies, and you can have more if you desire. I can also get photographs from the negative if you have any use for them.

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the name is given to the committee here.

Dear Miss Marshall,

I hope I am to see you at the meeting at Lake Placid. I have not heard anything
about it, but believe that it was decided to hold it there in July.

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 15, 1905.

Mr. F. P. Reynolds,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 15, 1905.

I am sending you an answer to one of your questions, after con-
sulting a man connected with the University, who has had much experience in this line
of work. I am sure that if the eastern has been completed of as a nucleus, or if
your sets of the bulletins as they are now printed, covering three years' work.

Your favor dates -

Regarding cuts, it is our custom not to send out the originals, but to secure
duplicates if ordered by those who wish to use them. In some cases photographs
can be secured. I hope you will be exceedingly prosperous in your new editorial work, and I
shall be interested to see a copy of THE PRAIRIE FARMER.

Very sincerely,

With the warm spring days we hope that all will feel better.

We shall continue to send you the bulletins, and appreciate your interest.

Very cordially,
Mr. A. E. Warner  
Toledo, Ohio

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.

Mrs. A. E. Warner:

Dear Miss Marshall:

I want to thank you for sending me the interesting paper which you read before the Society. It is an exceedingly good one, and I am sure I am not the only one interested in its publication. It is not our custom to send the bulletin of the Farmers' Institute at Reading to out-of-state people, but I think it is an excellent idea to do so, and if it were not for the work being arranged under state appropriation, and the farmer not being able to get his work done, I would send it out frequently.

It is only occasionally that we can send these without infringing upon the values of our work here. We are especially glad to have out-of-state people interested in our work. I am sending you an answer to one of your questions, after considering a man connected with the University, who has had much experience in this line of work. He says that if the cistern has been complained of as a nuisance, or if it is in the way in which the society has in mind, your tenant wants it filled, you will without doubt find it best to fill it.

"The cheapest way would probably be to buy ashes from some near-by factory, hotel, etc. I should think that a little search might find someone willing to give the ashes for the sake of getting rid of them. If it is, on the other hand, merely, let us say, a question of babies falling into the cistern, I should think a wooden cover, with a trap for rubbish, ashes, etc., might solve the difficulty until the hole is filled."

Regarding the wall paper, I do not think it is as sanitary to cover one paper over another, as it is often done in our homes, as if it is smooth a better surface is had thereby. It depends much upon how clean everything is about a room, and is a matter of you to take time to write regarding the paper. If you have ever had a great many of examining papers, you surely have had your hands full of this. I think it would be best to take the paper off. I hope these few ideas will help you to solve your difficulties. We shall continue to send you the bulletin, and appreciate your interest.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.
Mrs. Alva Martin
Miss Litchfield, ON.

Rochester, N. Y.

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.

Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you for sending me the interesting paper which you read before the Grange. I am glad that you were carrying on the work which you have been doing, and I am sorry that we were not able to meet you in person. It is not customary to send the bulletin of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course out of the State, but if you would like to have a copy sent to you, I would be glad to do so.

The work is arranged under state appropriation, and it is carried on by the women of the State as a state institution. We are glad to have out of state people interested in our work. We are especially glad to have out of state people interested in our work, because it is essential that we should have a variety of workers in our work. We are glad to have out of state people interested in our work, because it is essential that we should have a variety of workers in our work.

I will send the ones which you have requested, and hope that they may be of some use to you in your work. I will be glad to help you in any way that I can.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.

Mrs. Wilma Stark
Dear Miss Wheelan:

The inquiry concerning the photographs was for an occasion for clearing up two big debts which I have been carrying for a long time. I hope that you will be able to take some time to write regarding the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course. It is a wonderful course, and I hope it will continue to be a wonderful course.

I hope that the sickness in your home is diminished, and that all are well again. With the warm spring days we will hope that all will feel better.

Very cordially,

We shall continue to send you the bulletins, and appreciate your interest.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.

Mrs. Uva. rj.rt.Pc
Ithaca, H. I., Apr. 1$, 1905.

Dear Mr. Martin:

I was much interested to know that you were carrying on the work which you have been doing, and I am glad to hear that you are planning to send the bulletin of the Farmers' Wives' Reading-Course out of the State. I think it is an excellent idea to present this course to every woman who is interested in it.

The work is arranged under state appropriation, and it is only occasionally that we can send these without infringing upon the work which is being done in the various states. We are especially glad to have out of state people interested in our work, because it is essential that we should have a variety of workers in our work.

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Mrs. Alva Martin

Miss Lueth, P. R. Y. W. C. U.
Lake Placid, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Martin:—

I want to thank you for sending me the interesting paper which you read before the Orange. It is exceedingly good, and must have aroused a good deal of interest. I think it is an excellent idea to present this matter before the farmers and their wives, because it will make it possible for a woman to set her house in order and to take care of her gardening and to do the work which you have so well described. I certainly am very sorry that I did not get these bulletins to you earlier, because it will inconvenience you in a better place, and it gives a variety which cannot be had at other seasons of the year. A woman of course finds little time for gardening, but if it is situated near the house one will have the benefit of the assisting in the cultivation and in the handling of the garden. I appreciate Extension Department have literature which can be used to advantage in the proper way. I believe that you are doing a good job in these enterprises.

I hope you have had a pleasant winter, and that you are well.

With very pleasant regards of the N. Y. E. U.

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 19, 1905.

Dear Miss Wheeler:—

The inquiry concerning the photographs gave occasion for clearing up two big tasks which I sit at at different times of the day, yet I found no photographs. However, yesterday I found them in plain sight on my desk, but done up in a way so that I was looking for them another set of photographs until I had occasion to open them up and then, having found them, I hope that I have not inconvenience you. It will serve as a great source of enjoyment, which is really a real help to the writer. The paper is very excellent, and a proof of its excellence is the place it has been published.

Very cordially,
Miss Jessie Patterson  
Lake Placid, N. Y.

Dear Miss Patterson:

I was much interested to know that you were carrying on the work which you have so well begun at Lake Placid, and that Miss Chapleigh is again with you, doing the woman good, as I know she must be. I certainly am sorry that I did not get these bulletins to you earlier, because it will inconvenience you in sending them around after your meeting closed, but I will suggest that you give me the name of any woman to whose you would like to have the bulletins sent, and we shall be glad indeed to place their names upon the mailing list at any time. The same is true of the Nature-Study and of the Farmers' Reading-Courses. Should our Extension Department have any literature which you can use to advantage it will be our pleasure to send it for that purpose, because we believe very thoroughly in what you are doing, and are glad to be some part of this enterprise.

I hope you have had a pleasant winter, and that you are well.

With very pleasant memories of you and of Lake Placid, I am,

Very cordially,

Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 18, 1905.

My dear Mrs. Gibson:

I congratulate you upon the poem which you have sent me, showing what your son can do in a literary line. It must be a very great satisfaction to you to have him excel in this way. It will afford him a great means of enjoyment, which is really refining all his life. I consider it very excellent, and a proof of its excellence is in the place it has been published.

Very cordially.
Mrs. Louise P. Mills
432 Hamilton St.
Mrs. George Watson, Y.
Brockfield, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Watson:

I am most pleased with your note contained in
the discussion paper on the General Welfare Raising Course, and
that it has been overlooked. I have considered the problems which
have sent you the lesson on poultry. Should there be any other
you indicated in your letter in regard to the furnishing of your
bulletin which you would like to have. I hope you will write for
room, and would suggest that if you want something heavier than
them. You cannot have entered upon a very delightful idea in
delin to hang in your door-way, bending might serve your purpose
truly, and the burlap, some of pleasure as well as profit.
well. I am using this in the green, and think you can obtain it
Your lesson may be useful, and will determine a very strange
in blue to match your other decorations. You must have secured
because you will have been more suitable for which is a good
very pleasing effect, and hope that you will find something in
the curtain line which will entirely please you. These are inter-
resting problems, and it sometimes troubles us to get just the
appearance you want any of these. You can make a suggestion and the
right thing to harmonize with what we already have. I looked for
pictures because you will be interested in the curtains for a year to harmonize with my wall paper in a green
plain background to the government. I think have made a curtain, room, and just happened upon it not long since.

I am glad to have your question, and hope you will be free
enough to write me at any time concerning the work on the Raising-Course.

Very, very especially,

[Signature]
Dear Mrs. Ellis,

I am much pleased with your note, containing the discussion paper on the Home-reared Wines, and the ideas you give on poultry. I think there are still other bulblines which you would like to get, and I hope you will write for them.

It is certainly a great asset to have a very deliberate life in trying to make the farm a success, but also because as well as practical knowledge you will also obtain very often because you will have that kind of pride in your work which is a good stock in trade. It is no matter how the bed is made. Very rarely will I read any article or bulbline, so that if and if you have any interest in your work and are interested in the bulblines, write to me and I will send you the one I have which is of interest. It takes no long time to make the bed, but it makes a very pleasant life on the farm. When things of this kind are done well, flowers in a bed, very nicely, room are not at all necessary, and may be omitted. It is not so, however, that if you are there and do not get some pleasure out of them.

In regard to the dining room, if one is doing her own work, it is necessary to simplify in the use of linen and dishes. I do not see, however, how a person can avoid having her table linen

Mrs. Mary W. Waterman,

Newport, N. Y.,

and think that would be entirely unnecessary.

Dear Mrs. Waterman: You desire to put on flowers, she adds just
so much more to the "I have been much interested in your letter"
which came with the quiz, and in reply to some of your questions,
first let me say that in making suggestions for house keeping
one cannot make rules that will apply to all households. It is
necessary to have a good standard in work, and come as near it as
possible without worrying. It must be admitted that it is nicer
to have a bed made up well than to do it as hurriedly as we have
to sometimes. The washing and ironing of the bed linen is a
positive necessity, no matter how the bed is made. Very rarely
will a room have eight rugs, and the point is to keep the floor
and the carpet clear whether there is one rug or eight. The extra
frills may be done by a woman, or not, as she pleases. I be-
lieve very thoroughly in simplifying house work as much as possible,
and we have done well to get rid of pillow shams. It takes no
longer to fold a comfortable neatly, and one has a feeling of com-
fort when things of this kind are done well. Flowers in a bed
room are not at all necessary, and may be omitted. It is not so,
however, that if they are there one will not get some pleasure out
of them.

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is necessary to simplify the use of linen and dishes. I do
not see, however, how a person can avoid having her table linen
to those who are engaged in farm duties and confine ourselves
to the topics pertaining to the housewife's daily duties.

May 31, 1926

I am pleased that you find things of interest in the Course, and
look fairly well, and having a table set three times a day, and
we shall continue to send the bulletin, and am pleased that you
the dishes washed. I should never think of arranging three differ-
ent bouquets every day, and think that would be entirely unnecessary.

Very sincerely,

If occasionally a person desires to put on flowers, she adds just
so much more to the pleasure of roses at the table. If one once
learns how, it takes no longer to set a table with some idea of
grace than to put things on carelessly. Autor is a matter of
habit. Certainly it takes much time to cultivate flowers, and
we only suggest these to those who are interested. Mrs. Mathew, Mass.
pleasure, recognizing that it takes much time and strength and
money to grow. She is also much interested in the Grange. I used
Dear Mrs. Reader:

We should call up short of our aim in this work if we did not
try to suggest ideas that might or might not stimulate in your farm
work. As in the case of weather we are drawing upon the heading,
our readers. I cannot say anything that we are trying to make up
practical experience and draw them into practical work. We are
willing to treat the matter from the standpoint of those who are en-
couraged and unwilling to try other methods. Mrs. Mathew has given
me some good suggestions, and from the experience of a practical case
in the Extension Department of Cornell University, and we believe
you some good suggestions. Mrs. Mathew has given

The Farmers' Wives' Course does not fit, but it is a practical lesson
in regard to the work. Mrs. Mathew has given the best practical lesson
in that line. We shall leave the question of saving the farm
to those who are engaged in farm subjects, and confine ourselves
to the topics pertaining to the housewife in daily duties.
Ithaca, N. Y., May 31, 1905.
I am glad that you find things of interest in the Course, and
we shall continue to send the bulletins, and am pleased that you
are giving them your thoughtful attention.
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Sayott:

Very sincerely,

Dear Mrs. Baldwin:

I have not come across anything which I thought
desirable, but if you still need these I would suggest that you
write to Mrs. H. E. Wells, 116 Onondaga St., Syracuse, N. Y.
Ithaca, N. Y., May 31, 1905.

She is much interested in the Grange and her judgment
is good. She is also much interested in the Grange. I used
to have material of this sort, but have had so little to do of
that nature of late years that I have nothing on hand now. I hope
suggestions possible for what you wish to undertake in your farm
work. I would suggest that you get the Bulletin in on which raising,
cause me for not writing about this before. I kept thinking I
which is given in the list of Experiment Station bulletins, copy
should run across something. I also send you one published in
our Extension department of Cornell University, and it may offer
you some good suggestions. The illustration which I gave in this
article was from the experience of a farmer's wife who wrote me
in regard to her work. Her letter is filed, and I do not remember
her name, so that it would be a difficult thing to find this particu-
lar case. Should I come across it I will let you know who she is.
Wishing you much success, I am,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

[Handwritten Notes]
Ithaca, N. Y., May 31, 1905.

Mrs. E. J. Guyott
Mendon, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Guyott:-

I have read with much interest your letter addressed to Professor Elliot on the subject of bread making. I am, for a favorable reply, I am, very truly,


Ithaca, N. Y., May 31, 1905.

Mrs. E. J. Guyott
Mendon, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Guyott:-

I have had in mind the question which you asked me concerning pieces to speak or sing that would be good for your Grange juniors. I have not come across anything which I thought desirable, but if you still need these I would suggest that you ask Mr. Wells to furnish you with printed matter. He is more in touch with this phase of work than I am and her judgment is good. She is also much interested in the Grange.

I used to have material of this sort, but have had so little to do of that nature of late years that I have nothing on hand now. I hope Mrs. Wells may give you just what you need, and that you will excuse me for not writing about this before. I kept thinking I should run across something.

Very sincerely,
printer's hands upon the subject of bread making.

Hoping for a favorable reply, I am,

Very truly,


[Signature]

Mrs. Mollie MacLaughing Allen,
North Hempital, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Allen:—

I have read with much interest your letter addressed to Professor Bailey regarding your coming to Ithaca at some time during our short course this winter. I shall hope to meet you at that time, and am pleased that you can be with us. I am sending you now a full set of our Farmers' Wives' Bulletins, with which you may become familiar. The course this year is to be upon foods. I am planning a Bulletin now upon the art and selection of food, and want to ask if you can furnish us some material upon the art of milk and butter. I would like about three pages of printed matter.

I think it will be quite possible for me to attend your Farmers' Institute upon this subject as soon as I could have it, as it is to be for the December Bulletin--not at the time when you mention the evening of the 22nd of December. It will be a pleasure to me to have you send the photographs, or can suggest any to be taken, we shall be glad to have. We will send you the Bulletin before you leave, as far as we can, and I shall look forward to meeting you again. I do not learn from them.

I need it to be treated from the standpoint of the farmer's wife, although this letter where this meeting is to be held, and will ask you to write me again, giving us many village women interested in the Bulletins. It would be, therefore, from any directions we receive, in case it is too late or not on the railroad. The expense of this trip the standpoint of the one who prepares the article for market, rather than the one who will be held by the Extension Department of the College of Agriculture, can afford it. Is there any other subject pertaining to foods which you could write some-thing upon for our use? I have thought of another Bulletin upon meat, fish and eggs, and as yet have not prepared anything nor engaged any one to do so. Another subject is canning and preserving, and perhaps you would have something for us upon that subject.

I have thought, too, of an entirely Bulletin, of about sixteen pages, upon the products of the dairy. Would you be able to help us upon that? Will you kindly write me as soon as convenient in regard to the first Bulletin—that is, the three pages upon the care and preparation of milk and butter for the market. Then when you have time will you tell me if you would have anything for us upon either of the subjects I have mentioned, or upon some other food subject which you might think of? A Bulletin is now in the
printer's hands upon the subject of bread making.

Hoping for a favorable reply, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]

My dear Mr. Davis:

I hope may be of some use to you in the preparation for the Farmers' Institute. I am interested in the evening of the 22nd of December. It will be a pleasure to me to have you attend and I shall be glad to meet you again. I do not learn from this letter whether this meeting is to be held, or will you write me again, giving any necessary time. The expense of this trip will be borne by the Extension Department of the College of Agriculture.

Thanking you for your pleasant letter, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]

Encl.
Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1905.

In reply to your letter inviting me to be present at the time

Mrs. D. E. Balsley, 
Department of Education, 

My dear Mrs. Balsley, 

My dear Mr. Balsley, 

My dear Mr. Dewey, 

In reply to your letter, I am sending some printed material which

I hope may be of use to you and which I am sending for you to look at in good

which should be a good training in study, and you will doubtless find that you can make a

part of your work; and I hope you will find the work in good

in order to give you an idea of the Farmers' Wives' Bulletin in order

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the reading of the

The Farmers' Wives' Bulletin. 

The material which I have written and mailed and which

you will receive in addition to those mailed at this

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the material which you will find in the Bulletin which I have written

the traveling libraries perhaps you will wish to consider his letter. I shall be very

very much the interest which you have in the education of the Farmer's wife.

Very sincerely,

Enclosure.
Ithaca, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1905.

My dear Mr. Dewey:—

I wrote you sometime ago regarding our plan for a traveling library that you may gain access to a certain library of books which you prescribe for the study clubs in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course this winter. We have a Bulletin in the printer's hands giving the reading list, and reading list of the books, a list of which I send you. Just how many of these will be called for organized a good many clubs throughout the state and we are giving these books to the study clubs in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. In order to do this, I am sending you a copy of the Bulletin as soon as it is received from the printer.

You will note that we call for The Great World's Farm and a book on Home Economics, as well as one by Professor Burrows. These have been used in the Chautauqua Course of study, and I have enclosed a letter from Mr. Bray in answer to my inquiry of him as to whether they had any large supply on hand. If you have to buy any of these particular books for the traveling library, perhaps you will wish to consider his letter. I shall be very much obliged to you for your attention to this, and appreciate very much the Interest which you have in the education of the farmer's wife.

very sincerely,

Enclosure.

Mrs. Geo. D. Simpson,
Carlton, N. Y., February 20th.

If I am fortunate enough to meet you in
my dear Mrs. Simpson, we can talk over the subject and make plans for the visit. It
will be a pleasure to send you some of the Farmers' Wives' Bulletins in order
that you may gain an idea of the work which we are doing in connection with the Extention
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Bulletins by individual members is the main feature of the work, although we have
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the topics suggested in the Bulletins. I can send you a bulletin relating to
club study among farmers' wives. You will receive in addition to those mailed at this
time the Bulletins as they are published during the year. I send also an Announcement
of the Short Courses, one of which is to be free to the women of the state, upon the
subject of Home Economics, and to consist of lectures by eminent women in the science
of home making.

Should there be any further question which you would like to ask I assure
you I should be pleased to answer them.

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the subject of Scythe, and perhaps from them you can get the material which you wish.

Should I be in your locality at some time near the time of the Grange meeting I might
be able to speak upon that subject, but just at present would not be able to prepare
anything to be read.

Wishing you a very pleasant season in Grange work, I am,

Very truly,

[Signature]


Mrs. Anne F. Miller,
Genesee, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Miller:-

In reply to your letter inviting me to be present at some time
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Very truly,

[Signature]

Mrs. Anne F. Miller,

My dear Mrs. Miller:—

In reply to your letter inviting me to be present at some time at a meeting of the Political Equality Club, let me say that it will please me to come at the time you mention, February 25th. If I am fortunate enough to meet you in Rochester next week we can talk over the subject and make plans for the visit. It will be a pleasure to speak before the public school teachers, and it will also be very nice to have the opportunity to talk upon the subject for us, and delightful to meet you and your mother at your home at Lochland. We do not care. There will be no expense to your club for the trip.

Very sincerely,

Mrs. Annie F. Miller,


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Very sincerely,

Mrs. Annie F. Miller,

[Address]

Dear Mrs. [Name]:

My sister Miss Farion has written to me that you have written a valuable Bulletin for the U. S. Government upon Canning and Preserving. We want to have something of that sort for our farmers' wives. It is an important subject, and I want to ask if you will take up the subject for us, and send me some material upon it which may be embraced in a Bulletin for farmers' wives. We do not care so much to print recipes as to give general principles and direction for canning and preserving. This is a Bulletin which we would like to use as early in the year as possible, but will you kindly write me if you can have the Bulletin in this respect, and when you could have the material ready. You will see by the plan of plans, of which I send you something of our plans, and how many words there are on a page. There are about five hundred words to a page, and we can pay at the rate of one-half cent a word. While I know this is not high for expert work, nevertheless if we can make our fund go around it is the best we can do. Full credit will be given to you for all that you do for us, and the Bulletins have now come to a place where it would be a fine thing for you, if possible, to have a place where you can bring them in a short time which you cannot turn out, so I do not think that this Bulletin will be long delayed. I am well aware that you have made great progress in your work. Nevertheless, I should like to hear from you as soon as convenient in order that if it is impossible for you to do it I can make other arrangements.

Thanking you for your attention, I am, very sincerely,

[Name]

Enclosure:

Mrs. Margaret Kedder, park,
180 Johnson Park,
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Park:

The Bulletin which you desire by Miss Parvica was not issued by the Bureau of Domestic Science. I should like to put your name upon the mailing list, so that when it is ready we will send you a copy. The Bulletin is issued by the U. S. Experiment Stations, Washington, D. C.

Miss Parvica has two years study in Domestic Science behind her and has come to Cornell to take up Domestic Science. I have written her that it would be a fine thing for her to come here for what she would get in Domestic Science, because it is the training of our farmers' wives. Bulletin, and will place your name on the mailing list for the course which may be issued later.

I have suggested her coming for that, and hope of nothing better that she could secure anywhere during the same length of time. You will observe by her letter that she wants to take up work immediately. Does the course which you have this year embrace a sufficient number of hours to make it profitable for her to enter the High School and to remain there until our Short Course opens? Her English needs attention, and I think it would be a fine thing for her to do some other work besides Domestic Science. Her training, no doubt, would make her exceptionally good help for some one, and she could thus help to pay her way. I showed the picture to some of the social gatherings.

Thanking you for your attention to this, I am, very sincerely.

Very sincerely,

[Enclosure]

Mrs. Margaret Kedd parks,
120 Johnson Park,
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Parks:-


The Bulletin which you desire by Miss Perica was not issued by the Cornell Department as you supposed, but by the U. S. Experiment Stations, Washington, D. C. I do not seem to have a copy, but you can secure it by writing to Washington for it. We have nothing as yet upon that subject, although we may have before the year is over.

I am pleased to have your letter, and to know that your Grange is interested.

I send you a full set of our Farmers' Wives' Bulletins, and will place your name upon the mailing list to receive any others which may be issued later.

Very sincerely,


I enclose a picture which I have had made from the photograph which you sent me a few years ago. I should like to use it in one of our home Bulletins.

Wishing you a very pleasant season, I am,

in illustrating the fact that it is desirable to have the children and all members of the family together for some of the social gatherings. I showed the picture to Professor Bailey, and he liked it very much, and I hope that it will meet with your approval that we shall use it in this way. You may keep this picture if you desire.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Thrasher:

My dear Mrs. Hammond:

I am glad to know that you are teaching. I am glad to know that you are teaching. I am glad to know that you are teaching.

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Very sincerely,


Mr. F. M. Hammond,
Portland, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hammond:

I was pleased to read your letter which Mr. Spencer handed me, and to know where you are teaching. I am glad to know that you are interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course, and if you will send me the names of women who would like to receive the Bulletins I should like to put their names upon the mailing list. We have Mrs. M. Bota Barber, a number of women from Chautauqua County, but I do not remember that there are many from Richville, N. Y.

Portland. We are planning to organize Farmers' Wives' Clubs for the benefit of those who may wish to carry on some reading and study during the winter, making this Farmers' Wives' Course a basis for such work.

I am pleased to have your letter, and to know that your Grange is interested in the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. I hope that as the Bulletins are received during the year you may all enjoy them greatly, and that it may be the beginning of a pleasant acquaintance between your Grange and this Department. You will soon receive a Bulletin which gives suggestions for programs, and while you may not wish to follow it closely, it may give some help. If you wish to take up the readings as a Grange kindly fill out the enclosed roster in order that we may have the names of your members to whom we may send our Bulletins as they are published. It is a pleasure to us to receive any questions which you may desire to send, and any suggestions by which we may make the course of more practical value.

Wishing you a very pleasant season, I am,

gentleman;

Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]


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I hope you will have a very pleasant year, and a very successful one. Let us know in any way we can be of service to you by sending Bulletins or anything of that sort.

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Dear Sirs:

I wish to quote Longfellow's poem, "The Children's Hour" in a Bulletin of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course of the Extension Department of Cornell University. Will you kindly give me permission to do this, and mention it in the letter I have addressed to the Chairmen of the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois, Urbana, for their attempt to develop educational courses for rural women in their State?

Very truly,

Mrs. James Shernan Church,
Mrs. Julia E. Penney,
Henderson, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Church:

My dear Mrs. Penney:

I was much pleased to have your letter saying that you have organized a Farmers' Wives' Reading Course. You will soon receive a Bulletin from this Department giving a program for meetings which may or may not be of assistance to you in the preparation of a roster upon which I would be pleased to have you send a list of about the number of women to whom we may send our Bulletins as they are published from month to month. Elliott will hope that the winter's work will prove exceedingly pleasant and beneficial to all connected with this course, and if there is any way in which we may be of assistance, we want to you that you will always feel free to write. We especially desire this year to have as close touch with the organized societies, and hope that we may hear from you often to be placed in this Bulletin. For this amount of material we can pay about fifteen dollars. I realize that this is not a high price, but in the management of our fund we consider that this is about what we can afford to do.

Very sincerely,

The Director of the College of Agriculture has asked me to write you in regard to this.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Enclosure.


J. A. H. Shernan, M. D.

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Very truly,

Mrs. James Sherman Church,
603 Stowell Ave.,
Milwaukee, Wis.

My dear Mrs. Church:

I am sending you a full set of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course Bulletins, asking you to look them over and see something of the work which we are doing. This year's Bulletins are to be upon the subject of foods. Our December Bulletin is to be the Care and Selection of Food. I want to ask if you cannot help me in the preparation of this Bulletin by sending material which would occupy the space of about five pages of printed matter upon some phase of this subject? I have asked Miss Elliott to write upon bacteria as it affects food, so that she will treat of yeasts and molds. I hope that this comes at a time when you are somewhat at liberty, inasmuch as we will need to have the material in hand not later than the first of November, and it gives a very short time for it. Possibly you have some material on hand which could be made fresh, to be placed in this Bulletin. For this amount of material we can pay about fifteen dollars. I wish to quote Bryant's poem "The Bobolink" in a Bulletin of the Farmers' Wives' Reading Course of the Extension Department of Cornell University. Will you kindly give me permission to do this, and accept my thanks for the same?

May I ask you to write me as soon as convenient that I may know what to depend upon.

Very truly,

The Director of the College of Agriculture has asked me to write you in regard to this.

Very sincerely,
Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,
Boston, Mass.

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Miss E. Blanche Slocum,
Cornell & New York, N.Y.,

Very truly,

[Signature]


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Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.

To Miss Blaisdell G. C.,

Dear Miss G. C.:

In reply to your letter regarding the Farmers' Institutes I enclose a list of subjects upon which I will be prepared to speak should they prove satisfactory to you:

Miss E. Blaisdell G.,

Cor. Life & Far 60, N. Y., is now from Clifton Springs to be at your Institute on the Plat, Washington, D. C.

For the 23rd.

Dear Miss G. C.:

I am glad to hear from you. I was expecting your letter to come last Wednesday or Friday, and so I did not answer your letter at once.

The reason I did not answer your letter at once was that I have been in conference with the Superintendent of Schools in Ithaca in regard to your plan. I am sure they will be glad to have the work arranged for the other half of the week.

You will remember that I said you thought it would not pay you to come to the University for the domestic science alone until we had more to offer than the two lectures a week which I am now giving. The Short Course begins in January, and will satisfy you in every respect. I am sure.

They have in the public schools of this city a new department in domestic science, and I thought if you would wait until January it would give you an opportunity to get what you desire, and not lose any time. The Superintendent wrote me yesterday that his class was more than filled, and until they could have more equipment they would not be able to admit any one else. I see no better way than this for you to wait until the opening of the Short Course. When you are ready to make your plans for this, if I can be of any assistance to you, I shall be glad to do so.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

[Handwritten signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.

Miss Julia Henderson,
40 E. State St.,
Mr. F. E. Davidge, N. Y.
Fayettville, N. Y.

My dear Miss Henderson:

I am glad to have your card. 

In reply to your letter regarding the Farmers' Institutes I enclose a list of subjects upon which I will be prepared to speak should they prove satisfactory to you. 

Miss Florence Adams, 10 West 5th street, and from Clifton Springs to be at their Institute on the 21st; the Women in Agriculture, and will hand you card to the Superintendent of the Farmers' Institute, for another request for the 22nd. 

My dear Miss Adams:

Will you kindly bear in mind that I have classes here on Wednesday and Friday, and that as far as possible in your arrangements I shall be glad to have my dates arranged for Reading Course anything concerning the growing plant, but I would refer you to the Bulletin which you no doubt can obtain by writing to the State Experiment Stations. Grove, Maine, No. 95, published September 1903; State College, Pa., No. 62, January 1903: Lexington, Ky., No. 78, published November 1903. These will probably give you much information. I regret that I have nothing I can send you.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.

Mrs. Alice P. Norton,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Miss Norton:

I was sorry indeed to hurry you in regard to the work on the Bulletin, but assure you it will be in good time. You asked me about photographs. When the manuscript is received I will see what can be done in regard to photographs, and will consult you regarding it. We often send a photographer out for special work, and probably there would be subjects suggested by the text.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.
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Miss Julia Hendricks,
420 E. State St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Miss Hendricks:

I am glad to have your card and note that you desire the Farmers’ Reading Course, although you have mentioned the work of the Farmers’ Wives. I am glad to place you upon the mailing list for Miss Florence Adams, 10 Prospect St., and will send you card to the Supervisor of the Farmers’ Wives.

My dear Miss Adams:

We have not in our Experiment Station Bulletins not in our Farmers’ Reading Course anything concerning the raising of beans, but I would refer you to the following Bulletins which you might obtain by writing to the State Experiment Stations. Grange, Maine, No. 95, published September 1902; State College, Pa., No. 62, January 1903; Lexington, Ky., No. 78, published November 1903. These will probably give you much information. I regret that we have nothing I can send you.

Very sincerely,

Martha van Pernstede

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.

Miss Daisy E. Deolittle,
10 Prospect St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Miss Deolittle:

I am sorry that I have nothing to send you concerning the growth of the morning glory. We have nothing in our Nature Study or horticultural literature to be furnished. We have various dates of these cuttings with preparing to that subject, and I am not able to find it in any Experiment Station

Bulletin of the different states. I would suggest that the only source might be the encyclopedia, or from books upon gardening.

Regrettting that I cannot be of more assistance to you, I am,

Very sincerely,

Martha van Pernstede
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.

Miss Julie Hendricks,
426 E. State St.,
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Miss Hendricks:

I am glad to have your card making inquiry concerning the Reading Courses, and note that you desire the Farmers' Reading Courses, although you have mentioned the work of the Farmers' Wives'. I am glad to place you upon the mailing list for the Farmers' Wives' work, and will hand you card to the Supervisor of the Farmers' Wives' Dear Miss Johnson:

Reading Course as well. I would suggest that you send me your permanent address immediately, as much as these Bulletins are sent out from month to month and not altogether. I am sure that you will be interested in the Short Course, and I may at any time, and at your request, send you a list of those with whom arrangements are completed, and if you will at your earliest convenience send me your subject, I will be glad to make you an idea of the work.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1905.

Miss Daisy E. Dowd, Deed,
10 Prospect St.,
Cortland, N. Y.

I am not sure what you like best, and therefore ask you to write me. Any information which you desire would be very gladly given. Our February and March schedule is not filled, and unless you have a preference arrange as a rule for three lectures of the morning glory. We have nothing in our Nature Study or horticultural literature to be February 24th, and therefore we can arrange another date if these conflict with your plans.

Bulwark of the different states. I would suggest that the only source might be the AYI-WRTHING on pleasure in your visit, I am, encyclopedia, or from books on gardening.

Regretting that I cannot be of more assistance to you, I am,

Very sincerely,

[Signature]
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Miss Helen Louise Johnson,
18 Eo 22nd St.,
New York City.

Dear Miss Johnson:

I am much pleased that you are to be a member of our faculty for the Short Course, and I want to confer with you regarding your subjects. I enclose a list of those with whom arrangements are completed, and if you will write your earliest convenience send me your subjects, it will be an aid in rounding out the work, and making it cover the desired topics. I think it would be well for you to give the three lectures; if you can arrange it. I will tell you of some of the subjects which I am anxious to have treated, and if they meet with your approval, any of them, possibly you will select some from them, but it is not desired to dictate in the least what each lecturer shall treat. I do not know unless Mrs. Norton has selected it, who intends to consider the cooking and serving of meats; nor is any one arranged for canning and preserving. The laundry, etc., is one which we would like about three lectures upon.

I am not quite sure what you like best, and therefore ask you to write me what information which you desire would be very gladly given. Our February and March schedule is not filled, and unless you have a preference suppose we arrange for these lectures that to be February 20th, 27th & 28th. We can arrange another date if these conflict with your plans.

Very sincerely,

Anticipating much pleasure in your visit, I am,

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Dear Miss Wardall: I think our little talk in Bigelow Hall about the Short Course at the University during the summer has. I am writing to you to propose a Short Course which can be accomplished.

Miss Ruth A. Wardall, 
Mrs. C. E. F. University, S. D.
Institute of Arts and Science, Box 11.

Dear Miss Wardall:—

My dear Sir,—I am not only interesting, but exceedingly valuable. We do not treat the subject as a whole, with a single glance entirely different. We shall have those with whom arrangements have been made by which you will be a part of our faculty for the Short Course this winter. I enclose a list of arrangements which may be made in connection with the subject, inasmuch as it is best to leave the entire choice to the applicant.

Very sincerely,

[Signature]

[Address]

[City]

[State]

[Date]
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Mrs. Linda Hull Larned,
Miss Dorothy Spaeth,
Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Larned:—I think our little talk in Binghamton probably gives you an idea of what we desire in our Short Course. We shall, as you request, arrange to have your much desired practical experience made fit for more of a business. This will be accomplished in the same way, and I am sure the tables are more or less practical serving by which you can be excused.

My dear Miss Spaeth: your work is not only interesting, but exceedingly valuable. We do not treat the subject as club women would. For our audience is entirely different. We shall have the plans for the Short Course are materializing much to our satisfaction. You will be introduced to know that these whose names appear on the enclosed sheet are not engaged for the course. Knowing their subjects you will see that there is perhaps not much danger of conflict in the subject matter. You can and am looking forward to your coming with much pleasure.

Very sincerely.

Should we find in our further correspondence that any one is liable to speak upon your line I will give the matter attention, so that there will be no difficulty in regard to it, and I would suggest that you decide what you would rather give, and let us have other things for your time is probably less to be infringed upon than that of others. You know, of course, that we have no special equipment for this work, and you will be impressed with the condition of things described as before your letter came regarding work at the above school. I have accepted the invitation to go there and will have my letter came regarding work at the above school. I have accepted the invitation to go there and have arranged for any laboratory work which you may desire. Facilities are excellent and you shall have the privilege of writing, and the privilege of being in control of what you are coming to us, and I know it means a great deal for you to do it. Probably you will hear from Professor Bailey again, and in the meantime I shall be glad to answer any questions which you may wish to ask, and more than pleased to have you make suggestions should any occur to you.

Who could we secure to give a course of about three lectures upon the laundry?

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Mrs. Linda Hull Larned,
Miss Dorothy Syracusae, N. Y.
R. D. #2.
Dear Mrs. Larned:

Dear Miss Millard:—I think our little talk in Binghamton probably gives you an idea of what we desire in our Short Course. We shall, as you request, arrange to have your work informal, and the idea is to make it more of a seminar. This will be accomplished in some way, and I hope to have the tables and more or less practical serving by which you can make your work not only interesting, but exceedingly valuable. We do not treat the subject as a sub-teen table, for our audience is entirely different. We shall have some farm women, others from the city and Campus. It is desired to have the women have practical training upon setting a table, serving, entertaining, etc.

I shall be glad to answer any questions which you may wish to ask at any time, and am looking forward to your coming with much pleasure.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Mr. Clarence H. Driggs,
Mr. F. E. Dawley,
Fayetteville, N. Y.
Dear Mr. Dawley:

I had accepted two invitations to attend Farmers' Institutes before your letter came regarding work during the month of December, and I now have another asked correspondence which has been written, asking him to confer with you upon the subject, and if it does not conflict with your plans I will be able to go. I would prefer to be there on the 9th, as I have class work on Friday, so

Very truly,

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.
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Mrs. Mary D. Chambers,
Mrs. James Millikin University,
Miss Dorothy Millard, Ill.
R. D. #2,
Dear Mrs. Millard, N. Y.

Dear Miss Millard:

I am much pleased with the arrangement which Professor Bailey has made with you for I am glad that you think of coming to Cornell to attend the Short Course, and while it would be desirable to be here during the entire time, I can readily see that your plans for your school work would conflict with such an arrangement. We are planning to have the two lectures which we are making will enter you for the full time, and if you are obliged to leave you can be excused when your term begins. I am sure that the arrangements which we are making will make you more than pleased to attend this Course, and when we have any printed matter upon the subject I shall send you a copy. During this work I hope you will write me, and if you shall make the best use possible of the time we have.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Mr. Clarence H. Driggs,
Elba, N. Y.

Mr. Driggs:

I am pleased to receive your letter asking me to attend your Farmers' Institute on Dec. 8th or 9th. As Mr. Pawley, who is Supervisor of Institutes, has had some correspondence with Director Bailey in regard to the attendance of members of his staff upon the Institutes this winter, I would suggest that you write Mr. Dawley, telling him that you desire me to come, and if it does not conflict with plans already made by him, I shall be glad to come to Elba. I would prefer to be there on the 9th, as I have class work on Friday, the 8th.

Very sincerely,
Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

Mrs. Mary D. Chambers,
c/o James Millikin University,
Decatur, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Chambers:

I am much pleased with the arrangement which Professor Bailey has made with you for our Short Course. He will doubtless write you relative to the points in your letter. In the meantime I want to assure you that the subject which you have chosen fits very nicely into our program, and we are planning to have the two lectures a day for five days.

Knowing what you do in regard to our lack of equipment, you will not be expecting much in the way of laboratory facilities, but I assure you if there is anything we can do to add to your convenience in doing this work I hope you will write me, and we shall make the best use possible of what we have. The date selected, Feb. 12th to 17th fits very nicely into our plans.

Very sincerely,

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1905.

My dear Miss Rice:

When we talked with you at Trumansburg no time was definitely arranged for your lectures in Ithaca. If we knew soon we can select any time from Feb. 12th. The school closes on the 21st of March, and we should be glad to give you your preference if you have any.

Very sincerely,