

Monterey, Ca.,
Dec. 13, 1922

My dearest Lillian,

It is about bed time and have just stopped for the first time to-day so you can imagine about how tired I am by this time.

Stopped at the box as went to Mr. Burnettes but did not have time to open your picture so have unwrapped it a few minutes ago and it is so much like you that I thought it ought to speak. They said if it were only you instead of the photo how happy I would be.

I thank you over and over again for it and assure you

that the 29th could not have
been remembered in any way
that I would have appreciated
more and valued so highly.

Oh! Lillian can you realize how
much I love you? Is it possible
for you to?

If you could, believe it would
be impossible for you to put
me off any longer.

You don't know how much
I enjoyed Sunday night even
if you did not give me any
encouragement whatsoever.

When you said that you
would not marry by next spring,
Oh! I can't tell just how it made
me feel, but it just cut me to
the most vital part of me.

That seemed to me the shortest
hour that have ever spent.

Wish we could have more
time ~~about~~ besides the late
hours of night.

Thought that we would have
such a nice time Sat. night
then to hear that you was
so sick all at once was such
a shock, that I know if anyone
saw my face could have
about read it.

Hope you are well by this
time.

Saw you today but don't think
you saw me for you was
going in the house as I
came over the hill and it
was dark when came back so
know did not see me then.

Can hardly keep my mouth
shut long enough to write a

line and have a slight headache,
killing at home & then going somewhere
else is just too much for me in one
day and my back feels like something
is out of place from the way it hurts.

Hope the mud will dry up so we
go to Bedford sometime this week!

Got some ^{more} good laughs out of the old
Lady today but expect you will hear
about it before you get this.

Believe will have to stop with one
folder this time but would love
to write more if was not so fagged
out, so will try to write more next
time as you say you like to get long letters!
just will as I do. Will try to get this to the
box in some way tomorrow.
With best love, Y^{ours} M. P. O.



Miss Lillian Nance

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