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Rockport, Jan 15. 07.

Dear Lottie - I have truly forgotten
whether or no I have written you
this week. I am sure I sent some
letters the first of the week - but
don't recall to whom. Hope you
haven't missed hearing - anyway.
I hardly know where the week has
gone. Did not feel like work this
am. So over in G. Kelly's & Maichie's only
to find they had gone to town - the water
to Clocks. Then that I would run
in to Mrs. Co. a moment - and I had not
seen Angie for some time. So called
there - I wanted Ruth's Bluffers. Then
came home & got dinner - while
Ethel has cleaned paint in back
room - I went to meeting this eve
so you know something of our
day. Ruth said she was going out
and stopped with Bertha's tea -
and K. old came home with her
Papa has come so good night.
Angie was 65 today. Mrs. Pettengill
is the same age.

walked up with Port & Kean past
way after meeting.

I told Ruth I did not want her
to like the P. speaking as she
is out of it. I think she has
enough. all she at to do. for
some reason should liked
to have had her. and she would
liked to. but I was afraid it
was too much. Mrs B. said
all right. She told Miss
Mc Allister first & she said don't
tell Mrs B. today think it over
one night more. and we were
warring at first. but finally
decided. and she is relieved
of that. of course she could have
had an easier piece. but
the strain is a good deal for her.
more than for some. Later Sat.
P.M. cooking done.

beans and brown bread - mince
pie & apple, cake &c. We haven't
moved big stove yet & I doubt
if we do. Boys up to L-Pond.

John was here all the morning
and Geo. & Harold took their
ice boat - out in team this
morn - ^{which they} ~~Harold's~~ house -

It is very cold & spitting
snow - frost has been on
the windows all day -

Charlie stopped just a mo-
ment - and said they had
a woman there lately - Mrs
Bagnall - she broke up her
home and went to Wareham
to live with her son, but
was home sick - so Geo has

her - I guess she will be good
too - Ruth is preparing for
visiting to study Carol & Char-
lotte have gone to Glou - I have
a good time buy a few things

and go to Papa's bank -
most time for this to be
home. Papa likes his new
clock. very much -
to be you are happy
now, and read and
will have a good study.
and the same to Elison.
Thank him for me for his
good letter. They pay
Mr. Allen. The same as
if the church had supplied
about 10¢ worth of I don't
know whether they will
stick it out or not?
C & B have come

Maria is learning the dress -
on others trade in Boston goes
back & forth every day - I should
get a little on the deal if I were
you - Dr. is only right - if Carol
has sold 48 bottles of valvato if
wants to get the doll carriage -
Charlotte & Evelyn Allen have
one - by -

Pusher has the
Glen. Stone
Cure.

Write Account Club
to send facts to
Masonna.

Lane Fur Company

ROCKPORT, MASS. February 7, 1907

My dear neglected Lot,

Well here I am, started on a letter to you! How long is it since I wrote the last one? Too long ago to remember I guess! & By rights I'd ought to be in church at this hour, as I promised "paps" last Sunday that I would - but, on account of a little deal that I had with two shunks this morning in which they thought my clothing needed disinfection and gave me it good and proper, I decided to have a little party on the four shunks - gave and let them enjoy their sermon without the aid of shunks proper as a condiment.

School goes on as smooth as ever, Exams are through with again and I'm still alive. I got fifty one in American History which was the only study I was below in however.

Seems queer that such a study as history should be my hardest but it sure is! I got 4- (82) in the Medieval History which I'm "making up". I wish American was so easy to learn.

The past week we've had bully sliding on Cow hill. Heron, Sheehan and a gang used it from top to bottom. You talk about speed. Sometimes we'd go as far as the road to Cow Hill track.

At last I'm having my teeth fixed. The place of the three bad ones which are so conspicuous I'm to have three false ones, one of which is already inserted. It feels just exactly the same as a natural one and looks it, too.

Yesterday was Ella's birthday. I never sent her anything.

Gloucester's new theatre is a beaut. Beats the old one all to pieces. On Fridays they have bargain day. Mawana, Carol, John and I went last Friday and saw three hours of moving pictures, songs and specialties. A Japanese tight rope

GEORGE EVERETT LANE
CORN AUBURN LANE

Dane Fur Company

ROCKPORT, MASS.

Wrote to Mr. Walden
did you not?
Have you sent
Carole's letter
will you please
much better
to Mr. Egan
I called on
Mr. Anderson
who is about
the camp of Grace
Hardy's Grandpas
taking their
live apples - go
today - the Grace

willow slid backwards down a rope that was stretched from the balcony to the stage.

Say Tot, will you thank Ellison next time you see him, for sending me the literary digest. I'm afraid that by the time I've got my letter written to thank him, he'll have died from old age.

Tufton + I have a paddleboat. We built her ourselves and she's a wonder. The last time I sailed her she went half the length of the pond on one runner, and speed! say but she can go some! The ice melts under her runners from the friction! & Once she capsize, opposite Tufter

Why take
me to
the
to look
Omnipotent

Allie's camp but she left
after she was captured. John has
also got an iceboat but she can't
beat us.

You must be tired by now with
my off

Wuff had

George

Dear Lillie The clock has just
struck 10. Now morning. & I must
get to my work in earnest. We
had quite a good Sunday the
girls & myself were the only ones
who attended public worship.

Uncle Ed going to town hall in eve
Mrs Campbell gave a strong
address on Abraham Lincoln.

Union services in same place next
Sun eve - Temperance I wrote to
M. only yesterday. If George still
in N. Katti was off to write further
at 4:45 this a.m. - You needed your

Rockport Mass
Feb 21, 1907

J. A. E.

I will see
about the
picco - I ex
pected my Aunt
C. would
like to see
bro. I want
to see
again
please

Dear Lat

You want to read the two
stories in this little book one is
getting a Trip under Difficulties
and the other is A Gloucesterman
to the Rescue, I have heard
better ones but they tell what
a Gloucesterman is, you know
I am going on one this summer
don't you now, going down Maine
way and have a trap set and
run them fresh into market
and besides dig wrinkles to sell
for bait to the rippers who
run in there between trips
and get bait, you know George

friend Walter Joy - of Cranberry
Isles, well his father is Captain
of a big schooner that comes
in there and gets bait, Dops
Harris told me her name but
I forgot it, he was on the
Mand. - he. merry last year
but she was an old tub count
hold her own. and they sold
her, we are going to have
a small schooner or a sloop
I hope a schooner,

I have brought home
my iceboat sail, and mast
I took off her shates and
gave the frame and all
sept. the mast and shates.
to James Harris, because
I have got a bigger sail

that I have patched up
fairly good but using
all mums. thread, I had
a checker this year the one
I am going to give Jim.

It was the best balanced
boat I ever saw and three
Gloucestermen said the
speediest small boat ever
built and I made her all
myself and didn't cost one
cent but those three fellows
give me 45 cents for letting
them try it half an hour

Geo. and Tufts built one all
stylish and braced it up
before they got it up there ~~but~~
and there is just twice
as big as mine and has

J.A.T.

see - paper

a longer boom, and went
we started to sail mine
sailed circles around his -
but Nige Woodfall and Benny
Hobson had one with more
than twice as much sail and
mine held her own with and
beat her once when Nige was
steering with wind abeam
going across the Pond and me
to windward had the advantage
of course and beat him over
but he got around quicker and
beat back like this, but when
Hobson sail her
I let a Gloucesterman

sail her in a race and he beat
her, because he know how
to sail her fast, he owns and
sails the Wanderer the big cat-
boat, water boat around Jousett
harbor and could sail her, mine
great -

W. Huff Led

John -

P.S. Lot get, got a club with some
other fellows and I'm going to
try to learn basket ball -
the high school girls have
got the big room in the
town hall where the fifth grade
used to play -

John

Rockport, Mass
March 5, 1909

Dear Lottie

How are you? John just received your postal. I am having great fun; we have a club Charlotte and I and some girl down to school.

We dress difrent ways and to-morrow we are going to meet and dress as fashanable woman. I am going to where the same dress Ruth did, when she dressed up the same way that

I am going to, I think.
I think it is on that Mrs.
Fisher gave mama that
one with violet on.

When are you coming home
again. I have got a rather
sore eye I have had too
thru sence you went.

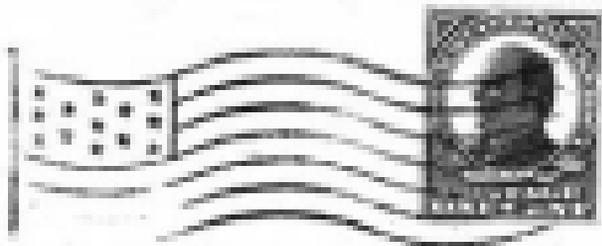
Mama had gone to Glasgow
Cester. She thought there
was a lecture this afternoon
and come to find there was
~~not~~ not any. I guess I must
close now

Lot of love

Carolyn

Ruth went to Prager Spunk
ing last night with R. J.

Henry's skull died and
diedly this morning & a
will fell badly I know
he was with him in bed
yesterday - Geo is going
to mail this - 7 P.M.



POSTAL CARD

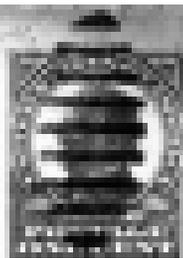
THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Miss Lottie R. Lane
Glen Ridge
N.J.

Rockport
Mass
Mar 14, 1907

Dear Let, I got a letter from one of your boys.
I don't know whether to write or not, I couldn't
talk or write to a city fellow, don't know their
ways, don't know nothing about em. That club
I told you about has broke up Georgie whiskers
cut em leaving, and oh wouldn't let them have
it any more.

Tid coming here to stay last of
April ————— John Lane



POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY

Miss Alice Jones
Green Ridge,
New Jersey.
High St.

THIS SPACE SHOULD BE USED FOR CORRESPONDENCE

which comes from Mr.
Gentry's brother - 1910

1910 - from Gentry -

Dr.

How is the girl? Are
you going to try to come
home or not. With
you would —

Rachel & I are back
the Hanford gate
day — at far home
My kind of feeling
dear's not to be
up. I haven't prepared
a thing yet for 24th of
next month.

At as yet to study to
you great affection.

Rockford

May 7, 1909

My dear Lot,

I thank a heap for the v. I was awfully good of you and Mr. Putney told me I had a good sister, too, when I paid it to him. As soon as school closes I start on my \$75,000 contract with Collier's so I guess I'll be able to pay you back with interest shortly"

Our High school base ball team has won four straight victories (hasn't been defeated) Yesterday we beat Mass. Institute Tech. Freshmen & I made myself a hero by getting a two-bagger with the bases full! I have a large chest expansion to day.

We had a stereoptican lecture

on "Historic Boston" at school the
other evening. The scholars read
the descriptions of of the pictures +
I had to describe pictures 10, 11, + 12.
That's my debutttt. + it on the stage!

Gee Lot, Tidi's great. I wish
you could be here to enjoy him
with us. He's more fun than a
circus. Perhaps he'll be here
when you come home for va-
cation. As soon as school
closes I go to Boston to try
for a job in an engravers office.
Oh, no, I forgot, I go to New York
on my 75^t contract with Collier's!

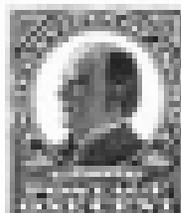
Tra la la

P.S. Ruth went to George.
G. + had Allison's friend Prach.

POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Miss. Lottie R. Lange
Glen Ridge
N. J.



Rockport, Mass -
Sept. 15, '87.

Dear Lottie

See, but you are sailing
high Cat. you must think I am
some great ~~or~~ only Monk a mad
Bob. that mother talks so damn
much about, I wish you'd mind
your own business. or in other words
I don't like to have other people, especially
women to "butt in" if you will. see this
gave me "oll" and burn it up -
so. so long - John Law

Bridgewater

Sept, 20, 1907

Dear ol' Lot,

I wish you
fourteen million happy
birthdays! & I meant to
write Friday night but
things kind of went wrong
so I couldn't. My work is
hard on the muscles but
interesting and time flies
surprisingly fast. When the
twelve o'clock bell rang
last Wednesday I thought it

was ten o'clock. That's an
example. I earned \$8.25 last
week (+ the previous Saturday's work)
which is pretty good for a begin-
ner at the trade. I believe
I told you all about the school
on my postal, didn't I?

Hella has agreed to
board me dirt cheap. She's
treating me great. I haven't
been homesick yet.

Saturday P. M. I don't
have to work. Nathan has

a canoe on Corner's and says I can use it any time I wish. "What d'ya know about that?"

There are lots of fox hunters & hounds here & they say it's the best country for foxes in the state. I met one young feller who owns two dogs & hopes to get a chance or two with him when snow comes.

I take books from
the Bridgewater Library
Marion got me Ibsen's
Tale of Two Cities to read.

Had you ever read Thomas
Nelson Page's Under the
Crest. Charlie has it on
his card.

I miss the young fellows
my age. Charlie + Tom +
Nathan are all right but they
are different from my old chums
Tra-la-la
George

Rockport Mass.
Oct. 5, 1909

Dear Lottie

I meant to have wrote
to you on your birthday
but forgot all about
it. I suppose you had
a lovely time in New
York. Papa bought the
Harper's Weekly and
that told all about it.
and some of the New
York papers

I have had a letter from
Flothy Randall, but
have not had any from
any of the rest yet.

Do you know their
address ~~and~~ ^{do} you want
it I have it here so I
can give it to you.

23 ~~San~~ ^{San} St. Everett Mass
Papa moved the stove
in the dining room
two Sunday ago.

It is very loasome hear
at home without George
or Ruth or you or Miss
John, I, Mama and
papa and Fanny.

I go to the sixth grade
in the Broadway school.
Now my teachers name
is Miss Brennan. I he sing
the Baptist Church
some times. I was in-
vited to go to a dance-

ing school this winter
Mr. Barber is going to
teach the same one that
taught us in the ^{gutch} ~~gutch~~
dance. Mama told me
to ask you what you
thought about it.

Did you

You knew I went to
bridge water didnt
you if she brought me
a pair of kid gloves
in Boston the 3rd hair
have had lots of hair

That wouldn't be necessary and
it would be silly to work too much.
Fagged you would be all right only
that would still be too much unless
wouldn't it?

Yes I said come the 6th. Let
me know what train you decide
on. - I think the one that I marked
got here about 5.00 or so didn't it.
Oh! wouldn't it be great!

Mrs. Powell didn't come. She
had to stay home and keep ^{watch} ~~idling~~
in bed because he was naughty. O.O.O.

They just filed ~~lay off~~ because
it looked so much like rain. P.

Patience of North's is very pretty. I think that I
don't want a train. The churning would be better
than something ^{except} I think.

Last evening Hazel & bless you a birthday spread
and it was most original. We had lovely chicken
shards was hidden, all over the room and we had
to go find our plate full. The host little sandwiches
for merris. They said coffee & cream but when
we had prepared ourselves for the party, we
chocolate in cream covered with stuffed cream in
coffee cups. It was great! Other we had lovely.

cup cakes that Hazelworth
makes and chocolate fudge
candy and more fudge.

Everybody is getting ready for campaign
season now. I seem to be least
Clatt's wife - P. I used to
buy a wig and has borrowed
a man's suit. It is jolly
good fun and we have a lot
to do. I must stop - Lovingly
Father!

If you don't have enough cloth simply
a shirt & skirt might be put on
a pair.

Rockport, Mass
Nov 1. 09.

Dear
Father

Dear Dad

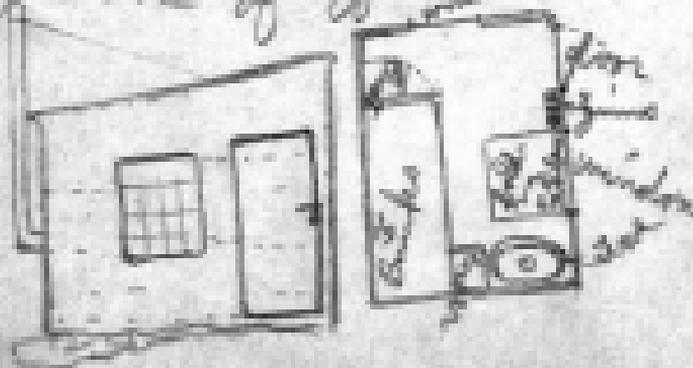
Just got home from church a young feller preached, and for the first time in my life, the time seemed to go very fast, and I looked at him all through the sermon. After church I went down to T wharf and the George R. Bradford was being at the end of the wharf so I went aboard and got a talking with a man in the cabin and asked him when he was going out again and he asked me if I was going with them I said I'd like to, but had to go to school tomorrow

I am going to Boston
 and Bridgewater Thanks
 given, and I said to my
 self I'd guess I would work
 my way upon one of them
 stone vessels that'd be great
 fun and get to Boston free
 and the expense

Got down that school
 ever time I look at this desk
 I see them history and
 Arithmetic rubbing at me
 I would like to learn and
 go to work, last night
 down the library the Duke
 eat access from me the
 Duke is avarial the princel
 Ask Bob what they call you
 I hear its a corker our
 teachers names are for
 Miss Hathaway Morn. Hathaway
 Miss Bardleah Nellie -

and the Duke of course
and "Crackie" - and for
Miss Mason is Margaret or
was doll and others you no
Crackie of course you must
of had her in Latin - I
don't have her I am glad
to say its bad enough to
have her giving the others
(mostly girls) the sugar.

Harvey and "Bug", Newcomb
and me have built a hat
in back of our garden
its a big one 10-7 heres a
plan of it.



its going to be a great one
isnt it.

Did you no about the Com
mercial Cable Company
It is going to be moved
to Newfoundland and
New York the change is going
to take 16 family's out of Rock
port and 64 people - and
the Rockport Tool Co. is going
to be moved to Indian that
will take 12 family's so
Rockport will be small when
you come home again
you now some of the
Cable people dont you the
Colleys and Pennman's and
Piles and Kerr's 16 family's
64 people, We had Mrs Cavd.

bell to dinner, Papa is
looking over old pictures
and Carol is making
candy,

I haven't got my gun
yet George said he will
sell his little 16 gauge
double barrel one to me
for \$5.00 he is going to buy
a \$16.00 one through Mr. Bolle
I would like to have that
one it cost 25.00 retail
perhaps someone will give
it to me for my birthday
November & perhaps
good bye John -

Return to
L. R. H.
from Mrs. H. H. H.
and I should
like to see you
at the end
of the road

Rockford Mass
Nov. 7. 1909

Dear Dad

Thanks a hundred
times for the slick pre-
sent I am well satisfied
because I can have
that money if I have
sense enough to save
it for Christmas present
for you and others
for ~~the~~ sake don't let
Bob think I am like a
girl because I wrote
a long letter I just
heard Papa read in an
old newspaper that there
are those that say little
in a good many words

and those are the giddy
hours of the world. I guess
I am like that the things
slip through my mind
so fast I scribble them
down and it takes a
lot of paper. I could
write till I wore my pen
or pencil out. say an
old English fellow for Wollig
something the fellow that
set up the first printing
press and wrote the first
Book in English language
away back in the 14th
century.

George sent a cofe
ent present \$2.50 to
buy the gun stopper

the one I ³ ~~got~~ ~~of~~ ~~for~~ ~~it~~
Mumma 2 pairs socks
1 pair of fasters
1 Book named
Hans Brinker or the silver
skates.
1 necktie

Papa 1 pair mittens 50 gold
3 pair socks 40 gold
and a couple other
things yours and Geo
and Mamma and
Pup's and Carole's
were the best though
and Ruth and ¹⁰⁰ Marston
and Everett and Perna
Kids sent letters so
you see I had a great
birthday Selong John

John didn't have
it corrected one
but will send on
you read it first
if you like it or not
as you think
best or
criticize
and lots of
love from
Father E.S.

Return please

Bridgewater,
Mass.
Nov. 28, 1909.

Dear Lottie,

I am over to Ruth's
Mary's and Esther's.

They are all writing
a letter so I thought
I would. John Geo.
Charlie Tom Ruth and
I all went to a walk
up to the state farm
this morning nine
miles.

we had a lot of fun
we went in lots of
barns some had
pigs some horses
and some cows.
We all went up to
Marion's Thanksgiving
When they wrote
that Round Robin
letter.

We are going home
to morrow morning
Papa went home
the day after

Thanksgiving.
mamma, John,
and I are going
home to-morrow.
Ruth's Aunt Pearl is
making her big doll
some clothes. It is get-
ting dark and I have
got to have supper, so
I will close. Good by
Carolyn Lane

Rockport Mass

Dec. 13. 09

Please
return
surely

Don't them

Dear Lat —

Lat skating has start-
ed in all ready and pretty
good too. - George gave me his
Hockey skates new last year
and they are good ones he
paid \$1.50 for them and he
didn't like them so he gave
them to me, I like them
better ever time I wear them
only today I was going to
skip off skating when I
ought to have been worked
and I graped the skated
and hockey stick and
run, got down to stumps

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Pond unstrapped my skates
and started putting them
on and I remembered
this skates are the kind
that go on with a key,
and come to find out I had
forgot the key, I went home
and got it and had a great
skate.

Little are your skates
home, do you want me to
take them and get them
sharpened of course you are
coming home before Xmas
morning was you in the
gang when we waited for
Hattie until Christmas
noon, you no how we felt

made us remember it all the better but you have just simply got to come till Ellison to come too more the better and we will go skating up Cape Pond I wish Bob would come too I am damn anxious to see him does he play hockey I bet he does, ask him if he has read Forward Pass. by Ralph Henry Barbour its a corker, I just read it and give him this Post card and tell me how to spell his name be shore and come John

Dear Lot.

Be sure and come
before xmas day all I am
thinking about is xmas

Carol ^{Love}