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My dear dear Boy.

I seated myself at
the library table to-night
for the purpose of enjoying
quite awhile with my boy -
when my eyes glanced over
the paper & saw the heading
of a little story - "Companionship"
it being just a column I
read it and enjoyed it
heaps. - when just ready
then for my letter to "my"
precious companion,

There was a knock at the
door. I couldn't help but be

sorry, but upon going to the
door found it was Mary
Willie, came to stay a while
until Mrs Amick attended
a little society meeting. So she
crocheted, - I knitted, - (and thought
a little on the side of my letter too) -
I wanted to write, - but after
all she had a good time
and I am just where I
started about two hours ago
and ready for our chat.

Have I been neglecting
my sweetheart this week? -
Have not written quite so often
this week have I but it's not
neglect. ^{not} of course, dear, but I

have just been ^a very busy
body. Busy now, - so I can be
with the boy after a while.

I have been thinking all
week I must write to Adele
but thus far I have not found
the opportunity. I am expecting
a card from her every day
giving me a scolding, but I
do want to get that letter to her
before that card gets here. ha ha!

Have you been noticing
the planets these nights boy?
Look in the west and you
will see Jupiter & Venus. They
have been close together; you
have probably noticed them, but

they passed each other Sunday
night & are getting farther apart
now. Then in the East you can
^{see} Saturn and over head, a kind of
a red star is Mars. They say it
is seldom one can see three at
one time.

I enjoyed the Sunday letter
so much dearest boy, and did
you take that walk? Then we
were both out walking. If we
could only have taken those
walks together.

Well dear, you have that
meeting all planned haven't
you? You are anxious to see
your girl? and sweetheart &

indeed I do want to see you.
Just seems like I could hardly
wait. - As I planned in my
mind, and could almost ~~see~~
see our way of meeting clear.

I had been planning too
on the trip to Mt Leonard, (looking
forward to the probability
of "sneaking off", - on farther
up the road,) and I too had
figured the date the twenty
seventh, or the first Sunday
in March. The 5th. just one week
later. And now dear - I can't
tell which it will be. We are
contemplating going to Marshall
with Mr. Stubblefield in his car. He

will be here next week - (if the
roads permit.) I fear it will
not know in time to let you
know. Still I think I may
know more definite about it later;
if we should go - & too late to get
you word, I would stay over
until the 5th. But should we
go about Wed of next week (when
he usually comes) - I would rather
meet you the 27. Could I get
you word & you get word back to
me in that time? I believe all
we can say now is, we will make
it either the 27th or the 25th - &
perhaps by "Sunday's" letter I can
know more definite. And

Dear;- You will get to Kansas City
at Sat night. I am going to ask
this. You come out on the car
line to Independence Sunday
morning, or Sat. (Of course as you like)
and I will come up Sunday
morning. And my! how glad
I will be to see my boy. There,
if it is a pretty spring day as
these have been, - we can take
a stroll, - talk & plan and have
more of a private day, "just
together", - and enjoy it more
I think and - dear - just
seems like I would so much
rather do that, than go on to the
City & we will enjoy it more, both

of us, I really believe. What do
you think about it? And you
can get back anytime to catch
your train back. I have been
thinking, the plug going down
& the Red Flyer going up - meet
at Independence, or there's the
car line. These have been my
thoughts & plans as I have
thought would be best; - To see
you dear, is my hearts aim;
what we want to do is, "consider"
& do what's best, but meet
each other on the 27th or the 3th -
isn't it boy? - And I am
sure we will get it all
planned allright - and what

a joyful day we will hope to
spend together. me think's my
heart just dances with
merriment now... in the plans
and hopes of that happy meeting
dear. It is not eleven
o'clock though and for to night
I must hush. just hope you
are getting along fine this week
and I feel assured in adding
"I know you are". With
love in abundance. and
a happy goodnight from
Your Aunt Gil
Estelle.