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The Vassar.

New Years Day.

Dear Laura,

Your picture is a delight to me. It is exceedingly good, and no one can guess how much I enjoy the photographs of the people I love best. You are on my Bureau, directly opposite my bed, and it is almost as though you were here. I have just had your other picture taken down, the one in the sailor blouse — I've had it with me ever since it came, dear. Somehow

your pictures, and the thought of you, always make me feel happy — you're such a precious, faithful little friend. This was the very gift I would have chosen for you to give me and it makes me happy to have been so pleasantly surprised.

Your fine long letter written after your Thanksgiving spree, and the one of last week, are most welcome. You are becoming a real fine letter-writer. Loo dear, you think so carefully to tell the things that will interest me most, and you

tell them so charmingly.

I wonder if we wout see you Mother and Father on their way back? I hope so. Tell them Clara Wilder is in town.

Your plan for the winter sounds pleasant, and I do hope it will prove so. Where is "430" - near Massachusetts Avenue?

I agree with you that those girls in C. D. were mighty nice to send you such a lovely box, but then, they love you, you Precious girl! My Christmas was a very happy one, with many dear friends in to see me and many, many more here by letter.

card or gift. I had altogether too many presents  
for one little old lady! But I love them all  
and I love to have my house beautified by  
them.

Mrs. Fitch is all tired out, and Norah  
I've hardly seen for weeks. Mrs. F. and the  
doctor are in after — two of the finest people  
on earth. All your friends here are well (ex-  
cept for being tired out by festivities) and we  
all have an eager welcome for you whew-  
ever you can come and take it.

I hope your New Year may be the best  
you've ever had. My Blessings on you!  
Love to your Mother. Always yours, Grace Loomis.