

could take the
Lester Keller
your love to your
Mama & Carl &
the dear small

Philadelphia
A blue sky such 190
Mother
Mrs. Strongly
Mrs. Dale
Mrs. Dale was of
Philadelphia
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far the very best of this
place seems to be better than
N. Y. We saw a fashionable
crowd of ladies, all pressing
into Byler's candy store where
chocolate is made fresh every
half hour & the ladies siph
it through straws, so as not
to damage veil or gown & I
saw the chilly & parlour
flower-sellers, sheering
at the corners & the tituba
hurry of the overhead cars,
rushing, rushing, day & night
& I listened to the voices of
the street, I don't know quite
when they ceased at night or
if they ceased at all, but the

personally over that school been brought up
in standard large volumes - any sort of paper
covered story like Dickens, or Scott or no
or for 10c 15c in excellent print - I got from
a Hamiltonian working story for 30c for
30c I shall avoid it - to him, I shall
read it - to him by heart - if it is in our
way - It is great amusement to see the
children at a shop like that, we have
lunches at a nice little confectioners shop
where lunches were to be had & in this
evening we went to tea with one of father's
old friends, Breckley - his 45 - was
very pleasant - lady, the home like an
English one - the shelter class - & the children
a son & 3 daughters very nicely behaved
children, we had tea at a hotel that
with no table cloth but a very Hamiltonian

about 12 1/2 - have lunch I took a look
around the street, & then father went to
to see about some things wanted in
connection with college work, & I went
for a stroll in Washington where is
a huge shop as rather expensive shops
like Cartier's only about 5 or 6 times as
large - This, as in Vanity Fair all things
were bought & sold - It is really wonderful
I got two pictures for the little girls &
some dresses which are already better
& cheaper on this side of the line. I found
of black ribbon I needed & me as I had
rather small matters. The tops & robes I had,
did not seem very different from our
but the look altogether was wonderful
I saw a few large handsome boots for \$30
I saw of various there were several hats &

there were many out by ~~the~~
of the street cars were running
& calls on the stand there.

Father told you about the
wonderful jewels, & while
we were at Tiffany's a very
careful & sensible young lady
came in, who wanted to
order a ring - she did not
wish to pay \$100. as far as it
no! not more than, say,

\$40. or \$50. as the pattern was
to be drawn for her approval
by Saturday - I don't like to
seem to criticize the rule,
but while there is such a
terrible cry from the poor
it seems as if 10,000 such
might be done without.

I do just long to go right down
amongst those tawling aching
weary masses, & give them
myself - as far as possible per-
haps some of my children
may be able to do this if I
cannot.

W. Rachel Philadelphia

centre cloth, extending to
the edge of the plates we
were using, silver butter
plates, & a huge silver tray
& tea set. The flowers in
the shops are lovely, & the
windlows of artificial flowers
are almost as pretty, & when
I say so, you may be sure
they really are exquisite
violets & pansies & all kinds
of flowers sold about the
streets 5-cts a bunch. I wd
like to see where the violets
come from, there must be
acres of hot-houses for them.

I got letters this A.M.
(Thurs day 28th) from you &
mother, I assure you my
thought yours quite worth
3-cts, they had been sent on
from D. G. - & we were so
glad to hear you were all
keeping well - you do not
mention eyes - please tell
me about them & how you
feel dear.

We are going out to see the
University, & a very celebrated
collection of minerals that father
has long wanted to see. &
this evening will probably
go directly to Asheville, &
trust to stopping over a day
at Washington on our return
several of father's friends are
likely to be there the second
week in April, & there is an
art. something, to be there -
but we both want to get
away to the country, & now
father feels he has done his
duty in giving me a glimpse
of these great cities. The
public buildings here are mag-
nificent, & good old William
Went has at least been mounted
on the summit of the tower
of the Court house though
the structure below is not
finished, several fine equestrian
statues before the building
give a very handsome effect.