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My dearest Conrad,

I have been thinking a great deal about you lately for if you really have to go to the High School, it will be a great change for you, it will be like the knights in the old times, who when they were old enough & had prepared enough, to be really knights & go out & fight real battles, they made great preparations, they got their new armor, & new swords, & new spurs, & all they needed, & then they took them to a church, & there they watched, & prayed beside them all night long - to prepare themselves for the dangers & temptations they would surely find in the wide world.

pieces of books, to make other boys as good as them
others, & you can only keep safe from them by
never listening to any bad talk, they soon know
a really good boy who outgrows them, & they get
a bit - they have their share

I want you to think about all these
things, & good may I every night when you pray,
to yourself pray, that God will give you a
name, true, show heart, so that you may be
ready to fight - the good fight - at school - for
you will see that right, you are sure to have
when you are a man - you go out with the great
world -

Now I want you to think what we
think a boy we need to be to go through school
well, & what I tell you, & as you have seen
so you can give the little class letters in this
& read what I think, & find if we both think
the same - You boys, when at school a good name
some can give - some more friends, but the great

hours while you were a little boy
at home you met temptations, &
troubles, but they were small ones
& if you were naughty, your mother
was near to help you to be good
again, & to be very sorry if you
made mistakes, or got into trouble.

But when you go to school you
will be judged by what you do,
not by what you meant to do,
or did not mean to do, & you have
to stay at school 6, or 7, or 8 years,
but before you have been there
6, or 7, or 8, months, all the teachers &
scholars, will have a decided opinion
of you, & say "he can be trusted, he
is a truthful honorable boy," or
they will say "he is a bad boy"
who has to be watched." & if they once
think that of you, it is difficult
to make them forget it.

Also there are sure to be bad boys,
in your class, & bad boys take great

thing to me is an honorable name -
The Lord - & therefore who went through the
high chief that Eric, & I commonly know the way
no way - & where the 3d & 4th go that they will
do the same -

I was long this is a serious letter but
am so as ready from you, I think so much
I see that I must be serious sometimes -

I wish I could see you out - got after
some years now, I please you, I read you, & you
might take as heavy as I can please -
& the less I was, such please with it - &
will answer it soon

With much love
from Mother