

Thursday Evg.

Dear Sir William

While Dr. Murray
is without excuse for
speaking as he did at
the Delta Sigma meeting
I can scarcely think
that the opportunity
had been deliberately
planned. The "At Home"
had been spoken of long
before as an occasion for
giving Miss McPhee the
prize she had won in
the essay competition

and as that essay is
to appear in the University
Gazette, the essay judged
next in order of merit
was read, ^{of this} as well as the
debate on Cooperative House
Keeping had occupied so
much time that it was
expected Dr. Murray would
only make a few remarks
on Vassar College - a subject
he had been asked to
speak about after his
visit there at Christmas
time - He made that
only a peg to hang
all the rest on, but

if such an address had
been expected very little
time had been allowed
& all seemed disap-
pointed, that so little
the late hour prevented
so many from waiting
for refreshment and
conversation afterwards.

Hoping that all may
be satisfactorily settled

I am

Yrs Truly

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