

Marysville

Young Men's Christian Association

Of the City of New York,

Twenty-third Street, corner Fourth Avenue.

New York, March 24th

My dearest William

My sudden decision to accompany Rankine to New York is now an accomplished fact & here I sit in a private car at the above address, while R. ~~is~~ supplied with a list of boarding houses & a Conductor has gone to make his first inquiry about a place to board in.

The journey has been made most comfortable. We were three or a half hours late but that enabled us to see the beautiful scenery on the Hudson & get a hearty impression of some of the views on that route. We thought it better to take a Country breakfast (for which five minutes were allowed) at Poughkeepsie, then to wait till we reached N.Y. We had excellent coffee & sandwiches which I ate

as fast as any Yankee could.

When we arrived we left our
belongings at the hotel & set
out for Hospital, unfortunately
the gentlemen to whom I had
an introduction was not there.

I at the office we found that
they were not giving hats of
boarding houses until the intending
student has matriculated. I as R.
wishes to look around & make
sure that he enters the best place
he cannot matriculate at once.

As we approached R. all traces
of frost & snow ^{had} disappeared but
I find the wind cool & my seal
skin jacket not disagreeable.

As I want to write a few lines
to Lisa & R may return at any
moment I must write affectionate
good wishes subscribe my
pious friend
Mary Ann.