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Algiers, Feb 27. 94.

- write you this instant  
about our little cause yesterday, &  
replied and comforted us very  
much. You had better write us often.  
It is written about old Vars, but I  
care any more about the money.  
Don't seem to trouble some about meeting  
him next year, & I am afraid he will  
be disagreeable instead of obliging. You  
will have to tell me how to manage  
it & make the sum come in. Very likely  
they would agree not to  
worry him anything till the debt was  
paid off, but that would make him  
ugly, and we are very independent  
on him - Perhaps he will be dead  
by that time. Mailmea very often die  
when I want them to.

= We are worrying along very well, and  
in fact having a glorious indolent  
winter with many amusing adventures.  
All invalids are crawling, and the heat  
again leads me out especially <sup>(or up)</sup> for old  
Loris a dog's life when she is down;

They have bought a villa at Naples, & have it  
there, and they will all spend next winter there. At present  
they are to bring over a yacht now being built in England  
and go sailing round the midwinter sun. The rich  
sheikh has purchased another place, & scarcely late  
of her, & live in Naples. How old is Mary? I think so.  
Please excuse my distress, I have written Post to you  
for Chresto's sake.

Our poor dear friends have been  
celebrated in America, and then it turns  
out that every American knows Sophie's picture & see her  
mind the leave their ships. Mrs Chresto  
she died. Louis writes "the trouble is honest Louis is very feeble".  
She is stricken down or at least pronounced her as dead  
was getting worse. - Other besides, I must direct myself. Here  
the dogs when Louis was away when I spoke to nobody but her  
and the maid. Dear George this is a wonderful old bitch, but  
now she mind. Sam says still & looking very sick not to eat for just  
right. I'd soon make them

but Wm supported by me fine  
Philosophy which is neon & dark  
on our grievances, but I think  
when I am alone of my dear Boys.  
at home, & how nicely they treat  
me, and how won I shall be with ~~them~~  
The reason of this gloomy but is  
that she has got tired at last  
of this place, and we are going  
& change to Cannes, she is having  
absolutely her own way about it,  
but it makes her cross and my  
contemptuous, I suppose the physical  
exertion of breaking off & going on  
is really pretty well now, but  
she is really pretty well now, but  
full of whims about herself and us.  
Luis and I are both crazy to get  
off. In he had sucked the sweets  
of algiers tooo also - Don't be shocked  
at these expressions, and don't  
spread them abroad, or let them  
influence your feelings for the poor  
little lady, who is herself the worse  
victim of the malady - She is very  
badly when she is quite ill; as long  
as she is better she gets naughty!

The Davis girls have been angels to us. I think May  
is a splendid creature. She has a queen manner, but  
I don't like her manners, chiefly because she likes  
Edward. Dr. Davis recommended her to him. Who think she  
is suggests to any one? She has a great blot on her  
Engagement finger as Louis calls her handsome ring.  
It is May who sacrifices herself to the cranky old dame  
who is as full of ups & downs as our Madam, Ruthven's  
appealing at a reception at the Stevens (where they are staying)  
as a crusader before leading them into tangled spangles all day.  
and sometimes breaking up May's engagements by a faint  
in her bracelet or other. May has infectious clothes &  
I think as extremes, however. Louis isn't set in with  
either of them, but I think there is a sort  
of May manner about you. in the whole this must be like  
the seats up on their chairs. Any how the one ugly nose &  
one, & I don't like it at Matthew's  
rings, clothes &c.

Sunday, Sept  
THE BED HOUSE.  
MATUNUCK. R.I.

Dear George,  
We are all  
so sorry you  
had such a  
scare. I hope you  
are not so  
terrible  
scared. I hope you  
already heard it was only  
stable & Barn. ~~the~~ house  
is saved. It was terrible  
enough any way, one of the  
nights that cut a deep mark  
we were all aroused by  
Billy's anguished cry "Fire!  
Come down! bring sails!" of  
course I lit up, & each shrank  
no "it is our house," but  
looked out & saw a piece  
glare from background sharp against  
the woodcut, and thought sure  
it was that house. In an  
instant, nicely quick, all

have been  
put out. The flamin  
sky, a wavy moon, and the still calm  
cold light that crept in as before the tem  
pest swelled round the house, we are  
the night? Swallowed round the house, we are  
all sort of calm but excited. "Fever, what  
sort you do ~~do~~? " "I haven't got any bed,"  
hit by head long right in the  
kite of ribs, they said how  
he one man, in as <sup>as</sup> he had a ~~long~~  
breakfast or breakfast, Henry Roth, lived  
full. Henry — Paul had been forced to leave a  
about four. — They had ~~left~~ <sup>had</sup> withdrawn & the  
house painted. The old billiard table, billiard, billiards!  
the legs, wooden, made a sumerous part of the sight.  
Alice chose me at P.T. Sack's car ride closing

Wind changed & so the flames toward the sea -  
Beaufort's fire broomed over my lot up here  
by Louis' fort tops were free, & had what  
he on the wings. Late came while out  
of the fort. In made a little over base  
in the red. now - I ate there till they low -  
Ran out & Louis took scared / went & to in  
Louis' son Melly is in this seen that fort  
fort we lost and the horses lost  
fort we lost "I received the command when  
in the flamer. I received the command when  
I had the fort & let not the winter & seabed  
find the fort & let not the winter & seabed  
himself through true mind without a thing. Aa  
thus one said it was his like a matchless heat  
set the fire, but he is so deluded, nothing accepts  
him.

our men are clothed (?) and  
tearing down the hill with pails  
pails in their hands - In a  
few mere minutes, at my porch,  
in my mixxt g xwa, received  
an old Bailey and Ellen - the  
little girls, whom during they had  
any place <sup>to go to</sup> following <sup>from</sup> their  
my bed, "where Alice &  
Rose perhaps had come to  
see the scene from that  
see the scene from that  
windows. In all they'd the W.  
house would go, sue. A man  
was sitting like a cat up on  
the roof, <sup>it</sup> looked to  
yelling in water, and  
they all set to hauling it from  
the well & conveying it there.  
This saved the house, which  
was soon blistered scorched  
and would have caught, intortably,  
hit in the water; & then the



Addrs  
Bank of Nova Scotia } Falmouth, Jan 21. 1903  
Kingston Jamaica } 82°. 4 p.m.

I feel quite well about the dear old Christmas house, and especially the box of the furniture; but, you know, I do not think they would build it again. After Aunt Mary is gone they can all do without it, and it would never be the same again!! Edgar seems quite charmed with Matilda Brown. Let's encourage that. I don't like her myself, but I think she would be a good stimulant for him. Captain Fair & the dog - but it would take him out of his Neggins, and take her off Bertie's hands. This of course is private. In fact it started, and will run like the wind. I am sending what luck we have with Leontine's royalties. I am sending more than I want to you. It costs to take these boxes, but it's the only way of getting them home. Come on my way to Monday Bay by the coast roads. It will be very interesting.

Dear George,

Cannot bear you suffering such horrid things with Sciatica. I think you had better shut up shop and come here. In less than one week of this excellent heat you would sweat all your aches away. <sup>just now</sup> I saw pouring Rivers of perspiration especially in the Region of the neck. Excuse these details, for I really believe the process has done wonders for me - All my stiff bones are limbering up, my throat is all right my nose is all right. I am still rather deaf and I guess growing <sup>have</sup> into noises my head. And more & <sup>into</sup> ~~but~~ <sup>now</sup> trouble <sup>now</sup> in my head. And it glorious! and you poor dear, sitting it aching! I thank you doctors are very stupid not to get you out of it. - There has been some hitch in my mail for a week, when to? today I got 12 letters including that much you sent me, - two Cards from all over the lot. - and six New York Sun.

They came just as I was leaving Brownstown  
in good, so I shot them into my bag  
and put nibbled at them on my  
drive, which was 32 miles in a buggy  
through lonely country sort of like Choconia  
but gradually & less cool; it was  
delightful after three weeks in a foul  
amongst mountains to come out in the  
lonely Caribbean. This much hotter  
than up there, but I like it. I am  
stopping over night at "Mrs Jacobs' Lodging"  
a puny place not exactly like the  
Manhattan, but it does very well, and  
I dont stop to describe it.

Received much attention from the  
worthies of Brownstown, and, was  
assured by the Landlady, "entirely  
captivated the whole place." You  
should have seen my triumphal  
exit from the town in an open carriage  
with 2 horses, truck behind, small  
box and rug-sabre in front - receiving  
the homage of the population, all the  
(dark) inhabitants crowding their  
doorways to wave a goodbye. Roosevelt is  
house-stone wild, with sets in the cells where the Moles  
are used to be.

On Tuesday my ship arrived at Miller, (a worthy man,  
but like Green Weather for age and build,) gave me  
the packages & Judge Kees; then, when we had to  
a the Barbecues. There are four or five roads. The ~~sack~~  
a great estate, and a barbecue is a huge stone <sup>day</sup> ~~heat~~  
oven where they dry beans, coffee, chocolate &c. It's a  
very neat platform or raised fire built in the ground, surrounded  
by big, as the climate demands no fencing nor roof - in  
the first lot there is long chain watching the long, old  
house having bearing prints, crooked beams the same, and  
all this wonderful tropical vegetation. The beans are sent  
to men as far as - by Carter & son. He is the leading  
judge of Jamaica. One will be sent into them. The house is an  
huge stone wild, with sets in the cells where the Moles

To Mr. George L. Clarke.

Algiers,  
Feb. 27, 1894.

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I am supported by my fine Philosophy which is never to dwell on  
our grievances, but to think when I am alone of my dear Boys at home,  
and how nicely they treat me, and how soon I shall be with them.  
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