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MONTEBELLO,

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Dearest Minnie

I have only time
in a few lines to explain into
how I wish at one or two
people suggested in Miss
Andrew's Gap, to tell you how
sorry I was and am about
what I know must be a
disappointment to you about
Bessie, even though you
knew that it was to a certain
extent experimental —
You know how trying the
weather was when you left
so hot & dry & dusty, ^{with} and

② although it lasted until
yest. aft. Bessie improved
a little - last night it rained
and to-day the air is fresh &
full of life & she is really decid-
ed better & has driven over
to Evergreen & back, besides
writing, sketching a little &
talking more or less - You
know of course just how it was,
and how long I was to say
any thing to influence her,
but you know also how much
apart they were at times &
her going & when I found her
used up & tired she was
by the coming down of Montezuma
and the excitement of

Seeing even so few people ⁽³⁾
again, I realized that the
here journey on wd probably
knock her up completely
in a while. On Tuesday she
went into town to decide
about it, & as you know
came out again in the afternoon,
having made up her
mind not to go for the pres-
ent & when I saw how very
tired she was even after that,
I felt sure she had decided
wisely. It has been a
great disappointment where
in I think she had been building
on it confidently, but she
has been as plucky as usual.

(4) and has been so sweet and
attractive - You know this
is the first time she has spent
any time here now for a long
time & it is such a pleas-
ure to have her once more
to me & to Julia too, that if
you realized it, you would
perhaps not regret the change
of plan - It is so nice to see
that she is really gaining too - Of
course it is very quiet & dull
for her, but as long as she
gets letters, I shall not think
it hurts - There is
no carriage, so I must say
goodbye - Yours,
May 28,

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15 Mt. Vernon Place

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Mamie has kindly offered
me material for writing
you, dear Minnie, of the
Prof "Starting" announce-
ment conveyed by his
Andrew's note just rec'd
and enclosed herewith -
In view of what you said
on Sunday ^{about the} understanding
you had, it is entirely
uncomprehensible -
As our agreement this
year was an entire
rest one, on a new

basis & in ^[2] a larger ⁽²⁾ amount
There is no right in the
matter — & there is no
reason — to expect that
we should agree to such a
unreasonable demand —
We can not close the school
in 3 days, we can not
keep it open — & give up
the use of those rooms,
Therefore certainly we
can not let them have
the rooms — I think ^{should}
there was very little
doubt that you could
arrange the matter
pleasantly — Please

⑦ answer at once what ³ steps
have taken _____ of
course it must be
settled soon _____

Yours,
May 2. 8