

May 19, 1890

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Monday morning —

I send you a postal card from
Broad St. station, and ^{sent} a letter
from there to Julia saying
the fault was mine, that the
clerical error of my secretary
had altered the whole sense,
that it was too late for her
to get the documents in West
Chester, but that if she th't
best I wd keep them in my
safe deposit box till ^{she} I come
home, that you were very
anxious to sign them but
had been prevented by this

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error. I wrote in my postal
to you that about the wording
in case you ed alter a word
or find anything ed be changed
Please do not hesitate to do
so - do not let us have any
more misunderstanding about
the docs & I fear if you sent
them back here it wold be
endless & Julia wold not under-
stand. Two are exactly as
Johnston approved them, one
we altered you know, &
greatly improved, I think;
now if this ed not be rightly
worded, alter it without
consultation - I think it is
right, but I am prevailing for

a possibility as the time is short - I shall appere of any thing & so will Mamie.

~~Here is the cheque-Mamie's please send back a B.M.S. cheque for Mamie to make out to herself - Julia said the cheque book was to be left there al yr house for her. Please fill out this cheque for amt due for four papers III IV V & VI. I will put this on a school sheet.~~

I have written Bessie a full explanation of what you and Mamie and I decided yesterday, so if you see her do not let yourself be drawn

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into any discussion & I have
embodied her to make up
and told her I was sure that,
whatever you may have seemed
to do, you could not, & did
not, wish to insult, or be rude,
to K. Loring, or her. If you waited
a day or two it might be better,
but do as you think best.

Now one thing more - I want
you to understand that in future
I expect to believe neither evidence
nor words until I hear your
own explanation of what seems
strange. Remember you believed
Bessie's report of something that

I had done that wel have been worse even than what I th't it merely possible that you had done for it wel have been inconceivable that I set have ignored you after all that had passed in the med. scheme. You believed this on her sole evidence, whereas I had all sorts of coincidences & statements. One thing I do not think I have done (and I wish to ask you not to do) whatever you may think I do not want you say exactly what you think to any other per-

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son, even Mammie; before we have had an opportunity to talk it over. It makes a misunderstanding a great deal worse, and if it had been to any one else I do not think I could have forgiven you. Mammie seems to me wholly different, but even then - if it was clear from all that passed on Sunday that you had gone into every detail - You understand, do you not, that whatever mistakes you may make I personally am sure you are more apt, far more apt, to do what I approve than any one else

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on the Ball. Com., that I had
~~and~~ infinitely rather have you
manage every thing - All my suggestions
have been so far to please & public
opinion that is all - Now in
future I want you go straight
ahead - I shall not misunder-
stand, nor excuse what
ever you do - Of course receive
the lists & get whoever will to
see people - of course send back
Mrs Keyser's list for her to choose
from, only send Reed & Co enough
to keep them at work and in
sympathy. I was cross at luncheon
and I am afraid of yr misunder-

standing what I said. I am de-
termined not to let any thing
more ~~my~~ disturb "the cause". It
is a new experience to me that
you have the power to hurt
my feelings as you have. However
angry I am & I may be it is
always over in a moment, a
look or a touch is enough. Perhaps
it comes from our never having
been together long enough to
have knowledge keep pace with
faith - at all events it is a power
we should not use & I propose
in future to be an angel
of forbearance if need arises.
I love you after all & I

believe what you say categorically
& those are two good foundation
stones to start a fresh on.

We have decided to sail
on the N. German Lloyd on
Sat. June 7th spend a week
in London cross by Canterbury
& Dover, stop a day at Canterbur
& Amiens - a day or so in Paris
& then express for the Pyrenees
Pyrenees - You know of course
(but perhaps Mamie & I had better
tell you) how delighted we
both ~~ed~~ he & Mamie have esp.
asked me to tell you if

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you could sail with us & you know
you were going to spend a little
while in London - we shall stay
~~at~~ on the Metropole & altho. we could be
shopping all day what fun to be
in London together & then if you
could finish in a week think of
Armenia. I want you to at least
think of the possibility - I do not
believe we realize how soon all
work must stop till ~~at least~~
autumn - Once get our Com. ^{matter} organized
& that is all - Could you not wait
to see how ~~your~~ affairs turn out
this next week & then whether
your own private affairs cannot
arrange themselves - As to school
house - Mamie shall & I shall

be in Ball. early enough to attend
 to all final things - the desks &
 recreation benches are the main
 things - This does not req. to be
 answered only do not give up
 what we have wished for so
 many, many yrs without at least
 seeing how things will turn out -
 I & I shall be perfectly de-
 lighted ~~to hear that you are~~
~~not~~ Never has it seemed
 to me so much as if it would
 be possible & then too I shall be
 so very anxious if after all this
 strain you remain in the best
 I can hardly enjoy myself -

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I think you ought to decide
about Miss Child soon -

I will continue later -

Yrs -
Minnie Ch -