

Mamma ^{Mrs} Sunday

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Dear Mr. William

Ever since it was decided that W. & I were to stay till Friday, irrespective of Bernard's decision for himself & Anne, I have felt as if I were shirking duty for pleasure in a rather independent way & yet my motives have not been wholly selfish. as W. wishes to remain & A. purpos to do so for many reasons, one is that Mrs. H. intends to be in Montreal on Monday to get Laura settled for the winter & she Mr. thus quietly slip off the burden of having L. fixed upon her

The ~~another~~^{2.} thing is that Leggat
has not once been here since
you left nor has he, as he promised
sent a Carpenter to board the ~~cellar~~^{cellar}
I cannot consent to his doing
any inside work after we have
so that it must either be done
now or left until we return.
Again one of my fingers has had
a fester upon it which disinclined
me for packing & I have found
the quiet of Friday & Saturday most
unpleasant. I intend if A. does not
leave on Tuesday I make a stir
on Monday just to idle about
for the first few days of the week.
I try to return looking well so much

things. When I think of home-
 things I feel sometimes as if I
 do not stay, I only hope that you
 may not have any greater burden
 to bear. About Eva's plans - she
 will herself see Pettus & try to arrange
 days. Also Mad. (Gebhard) I². but I
 do not wish her to arrange about
 French till I return unless you
 are fully satisfied to follow Darcy's
 advice. Of course I am very sorry
 not to be able to be useful to Baby
 but I dare say his having had so
 much intercourse with Propman
 will have fitted him for greater
 independence in the choice of a
 home &c.

Mr Major tells me that she took
 down the pipes this Spring & that
 she found them quite clear, however.

It will be a small matter to
 take down the first elbow & look
 what indications are there.
 The weather has been so charming
 that I have had no uneasiness
 about R. J. E. Still will be very
 glad to know that they are safely
 home. Mr. R. go to Niagara. It will
 leave you very quiet which I sup-
 pose will be in your favour so
 far as it concerns your personal com-
 fort. Anna & I are almost inclined
 to think it wd be better to allow him
 to take honours in English literature
 I am sure he wd read faithfully
 & wd be much more likely to
 soften & mould his character into
 a finer shape than Mental Phil: which
 cultivates his naturally too argumen-
 tative faculties.

Monday ⁵ May

Bernard returned on
Saturday night looking very
tired he walked a great deal
& had to lodge at poor
houses even today he still
looks pale so he has decided
to stay until Friday. He will
telegram to O'Brien to transfer
the Pullman seats to Friday
tell Eva to ask Joan
if she has anything she
needs & give her a little more
money - say \$2. also that
I have sent her linen dress

rep ~~write~~ by Mr Major

William bids me ask Rankine if he wishes his gun & shoes left here.

And god be Mrs Hamilton it will be better not to mention that Annas house is open - warm - Etc.

Many thanks for the \$15 which A. has already acknowledged - it will be sufficient for all our needs.

It is a lovely morn-
With much love to R. & E.
& much more to you
I am dear self from
Margaret.