

Vermont  
66 Lancaster Gale

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My dear Mrs Lawson.

Facts's last letter conveyed to me the delightful fact, that "you had invited him to dinner & what was more, he was going". My heart at once, constrained me to thank you, for I was so very much pleased. Only the disability of our's body prevented the letter.

Now however, I must make the effort, having so much more, for which, to express my deep indebtedness.

Another letter today, tells me, how  
much, he enjoyed it. He mentions  
the guests & how very pleasant,  
everything & every body was. Tell  
Eva, I hope next time, she will let  
him take her into dinner for my  
sake. You see, how audacious one is!  
trusting, that you will some time  
invite him again.

It was "a good work" in the best sense  
of the word. Jack writes, "I enjoyed  
"the dinner all the better, for their being  
"no wine. No one was heavy & stupid  
"as people are apt to be, when the

"reaction sets in from the filip"

"Champagne gives one - I am going

"to counsel myself, to give up tippie

"this winter - now, you will see

"Further, if I don't -"

You will forbear with my silliness  
in quoting Sack's words -

Sic alis considas, I might be content  
with Sack's moderation - but my

heart's desire is, that Sack should

lend all his influence in supporting  
the great cause of temperance -

How happy you must all, in having

sisters, as well as brothers - my poor

son has always been, at so great a  
disadvantage. no father since his  
baby hood. spoiled & petted for years  
by his grandfather & a solitary home  
since. How can I chide you enough  
for giving Sack, the entire of your  
house? One only hopes, he may be  
happy in availing himself of it.

To you dear, I am sure I need  
make no apology for the egotism  
of this sheet. You will sympathize  
with me, instead of being bored.  
Sack is quite a Pat, nowadays.  
He looks after me, as if I were a  
child.

He writes twice a week & keeps  
house for me in my absence.

And now, for fresh topics.

I have more forgotten you dear,  
not any of my kind friends,  
since my arrival here, but the  
doctor prohibits much writing &  
one has so much always to do.

Pray accept our warmest  
thanks for the beautiful cards.  
(Amy & me) we were both so  
pleased. Amy & I are in partner-  
ship in everything & so, I thank  
you, for her too.

I have read & re-read the words  
on mine - they are so worth.

You must have taken trouble, to  
show them. Pray thank  
my Pe Anna, for me. I am  
fond of dear Ea, but Anna is  
my first love. I trust the Baby  
is waked from its fascination.  
I know that Katie writes to Ea  
regularly & vice versa. I only  
hope, that Ea is a little more  
loving of her miss from bb. That  
Katie is of me, from Canada.  
I fancy, it is a code of honour.

with girls, to keep their letters, all to  
themselves, My brother Samuel of  
New York (once is no longer ashamed  
to mention his name, he, having  
at last, paid his College debt - )  
writes only today, how his daughter  
Marie, had received a charming  
letter from "Amy Gordon", one first to  
call the daughter this. but Marie  
had kept it all to herself -

You are doubtless supposing, that  
we are all very gay at 66 -

On the contrary, we are very quiet.

There were 3 or 4 dissent one with out

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& a big one in - an occasional game  
at some trusption, but none of those  
charming social reunions, where  
friends meet with friends.

Fanny, dining two nights running  
at a dinner of 20 & not making a  
word, one was met before -

Even, if I had the description, my  
mother does not admit of any  
dissipation. This does not aspire  
to be a letter - Why has not my dear  
friend Emma G. written?

With kindest remembrances my  
precious friend, yours always  
Matthias A. Tamme *in haste*