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Dearest Anna,

I came very near dating my letter 1877 instead of 1876, so slowly has the time passed of late. Indeed I am sure I should have made the mistake had it not been for the proximity of sundry Punch's almanacs, college calendars, & other finger-posts of time.

You can have no idea of what dreadful things

are awaiting you. First
& foremost, there is to be a
grand powwow at the fall
colleges or thereabouts, after
all the preliminaries —
smoking the pipe of peace, &c.,
have been gone through
with, a most solemn
subject will be discuss-
ed, the location of a wigwam
for the Chief Harrington &
his fair Minnehaha. Ha!
Ha! Ha!. A final decision
will have to be come to,
& I give you fair warning
so that you may have
your speech ready.

About the remaining dreadful

things I will tell you on
your return.

I trust that though your
visit to St Andrews may
seem long you will not
regret having spied out
the land; and then the
scrutiny of your own dear
self which you so much
dreaded will be over.

I hope you have not been
stared out of countenance,
for your countenance is
too precious for any such
treatment.

I intended to call
upon such lots of friends
during your absence;

but somehow or other
I have not commenced
yet.

But here comes an
interruption & if my letter
is to go at all it must
go unfinished as it is.

It will at least serve
to tell my darling that
she is not forgotten.

Ever your fond
Bernard.