

Letter 5d  
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Ban Air. Summerice.

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Re. Sir Wm's resignation - and removal  
of Dawson & Harington to other houses, also  
dearest Anna also Rantine (always a puzzle)

Papa has written a letter  
to Bernard about the sale of the Wallbrae  
property & the changes that it may bring,  
wh: with all your knowledge of your  
own needs & ours, appears to me to be all  
that you require to be told, covering <sup>as it does</sup> all  
the ground of the probable future; still  
he thinks it urgent & necessary for me  
to go into farther details. but where these  
details are to be I do not at the moment  
comprehend so I shall begin with an-  
other subject there has some hearing in  
the matter & that so far as known has not  
yet been told to you. Papa has nearly

get into shape a letter to his L. D. for  
 the Board of Gov. really resigning the Principalship  
 but at the same time offering to fulfil  
 its duties until they succeed in getting a  
 successor. He has also told them that he  
 hopes they will allow him something on  
 his returning either in the form of a sum or  
 pension. This seems to me, taking into  
 account other circumstances <sup>to me for it</sup> which you know,  
 obligatory upon me to return to the old  
 strain of keeping house at the College, but  
 if this comes in God's providence it is sure  
 to be best, whatever the name may be.  
 Mention I have not overcome a cer-  
 tain amount of depression at the prospect.  
 but do not infer that I am going to  
 grumble or give way. I will do what I  
 can. at present one painful want is that  
 I shall be obliged to add to your numerous

engagements than of an open eye to  
 securing for me one, two, or three services.  
 Another thing Committee with these arrangements  
 is that Dr. Radcliff considers it safe for  
 you further to return before the Convocation,  
 but is to report to Dr. Creech & Stewart his  
 Condition. I ask them to let him know the  
 result of the Consultation, wh: I expect will  
 be a Confirmation of his opinion - this too  
 is rather disappointing because I do not believe  
 he is yet able to cope with fluxes & excremento.  
 but I beg of you let these things take their  
 course if any person or persons are to take the  
 responsibility paper & his medical advisers  
 are those persons.

In regard to these accommodations as to houses & homes  
 no arrangement for us seems so desirable  
 as that of being in some way linked on to  
 you. The way wh: paper in his letter to B. has  
 indicated perhaps the most desirable, but

you must not put in any long hands to  
 late upon it. Were we for instance to  
 take rooms at the Windsor we sh<sup>d</sup> be even  
 more free to move about at our pleasure.  
 Paper continues prejudiced against the Overbrook  
 the chief difficulty in this plan is paper's hook.  
 James father says he is willing to lay out pe:  
 \$12,000 to 15,000 upon a house. upon  
 the sum expended he w<sup>ld</sup> expect you to pay,  
 in rent, 5 percent on the share of the house  
 you occupied. We w<sup>ld</sup> require I think  
 three private rooms with accommodation  
 per one maid. These we w<sup>ld</sup> furnish  
 & you w<sup>ld</sup> be welcome to all the remain-  
 ing furniture &c. We w<sup>ld</sup> like to take our  
 meals with you & to make a rough guess,  
 pay for these say \$100 per month per ourselves  
 & \$20 per month per the maid. We w<sup>ld</sup>  
 be responsible for repairs on house &c. I am

was able to go further into details. but  
 you may trust us that we will not  
 allow you to lose on our account.  
 I now think we have no further interest  
 in Wallrose Place we are quite willing  
 to make an offer & give you first choice  
 to retain said house as your share of our  
 estate - but this I say conditionally because  
 until such purchase is made & details arranged,  
 a definite promise will be unwise because  
 if a very costly purchase were made we  
 might find it necessary to harden it, to some  
 extent, for the benefit of other members of  
 the family. It appears to me to be necessary  
 to begin at once to make inquiries about  
 properties to be able to form some rough  
 estimate as to cost & locality. In all  
 these changes nothing troubles me more  
 than the effect they may have upon R.

The patience of the family appears well  
 nigh exhausted over the delay he  
 makes in settling upon his life's work.  
 He himself is so miserable, that I judge  
 an imprudent word from any one of  
 us might hasten him into some course  
 for ever to be regretted. I pray therefore,  
 at this critical juncture, all of us may  
 be guided, in a very especial manner,  
 to act with wisdom, forbearance & love  
 towards him - above all to phrase with  
 our fathers to open his heart to his own  
 love & willingness to forgive him & send  
 his spirit to his Comforter & guide. The  
 loss of these blessings are at the root of all  
 his & our sorrow, & thus given, or renewed,  
 & that alone will bring abiding comfort  
 to him or satisfaction to any of us. Maintain  
 the angels to be very careful... I am

tempted to guess that his father's delay in London, at present, may be an account of an absence as he has no home in Montreuil until he returns. I also think he is still trying to get an appointment for a Government Medical position I incline towards Montreuil only if that fails him. I do hope he is not troubling George by leaning too heavily on his help. All our family affairs are troubled just now - we cannot unravel them, but thanks to God he leads as we trust & wait to be guided. The above I wish you to consider strictly private.

I noted in one of your letters what you said about clothing in N.Y. & have been, as opportunity offered, picking up information. A lady has given me the address of dry goods stores there that she considers

thursdays & the piers moderate. These of  
 Altman's. Corner of Fifth Avenue & 19th Street.  
 she especially recommends for under coats.  
 I am told that American woolen knitted goods  
 are not so good as Scotch or English. Stralder,  
 Helton & Seegher & others are the other names  
 she has given me. I tell you these things  
 you may know if they correspond with  
 these previously recommended to you. It  
 might be asked if she means anything  
 & your lists made together.

I hope you get post-pastor about Ashwell.  
 We have been so busy writing & talking  
 about our family affairs there we have had  
 no discussion about where next. but if we  
 are to return at end of April we must now  
 come one time by day. We have barely minutes  
 here, some days warmer than Comptons. I have  
 not written the foregoing with the care I wd wish but  
 have had to hurry on as best I cd. do try to supplement  
 connections missed & I believe me to be very very appreciable  
minutes.