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Dearest Bernard -

I did not write yesterday, as I was making a not very successful effort to write up some of my neglected letters, & also helping the children to write to Caroly wh. I considered a good deed. - We have had continued fine warm weather with two rainy nights. I believe we are well enveloped in fog, but no rain thus far. - yesterday I was on the shore all morning, after helping Eric to pick just enough for two days. - The friendship with the Stewarts has finished for the present. - I have the pleasure of having the children to myself. - It was rather tragic. I told Mary some days ago that I wd like her to take the children rather in the other direction & without

I have got the marks
ink for with many
thanks

seeming unfriendly to keep
Clare & Andy from Lily who
was certainly not improving
her, as C. began to slap &
pinch at the slightest promo-
cation & say I haven't etc.
Whether Clare heard what
said or Mary repeated it I
can't say but her ladyship
directly she reached the shore
shouted to Lily that I do not
let her play for she was so
naughty, so Lily went directly
& complied to her mother
who summarily forbade her
to speak to any of us - for lol.
I am sincerely thankful &
sorry that there sh^d have been
any disconcerting about the
matter.

In the afternoon I was
out with Miss Gardner, I have
been helping her rather than
attending to myself so don't look
for any thing wonderful. If
the fine weather continues
will try some sketches on the
estate as you suggested, I have
one in my mind wh. I think
will be pretty. I do not get on
very well with other things
I am getting very unfit for
energetic action, & fear there is little
recovery to be looked for, till

the wet - - last night - Mrs Savage had a bon-
fire wh - was very pleasant. She & I went
& all the population was there in choosing
barrels of small logs. My's sister rang, & then
& we had cake & coffee, having by invitation
brought - we were cups. The coffee than can
be procured here is horrible. I must ask you
to bring some when you come next - I will
make a small belt - type & by, when I know
what we future is to be. As regards your
coming, your father, & the purchase length &
our stay - The merchants here & are no your
assurances by empty houses. The logs at the
refractory will be terrible, but we are quite
separated from them. Dr. Steiner reports the ship
better, but certainly avoids the classing it entering
out 'I. danger' what the S. R. is useful also about
their winter guests & next week I about know
have Mrs Bond's her two charges we must danger
by their husband's flight -

Mr & Mrs W. Wright - came in 9 o'clock - this evening
on Thursday, they go up Monday & have received
looking all Mr. Wright's Street - I am not
the Mrs. Mason & friend, who had a letter
me from her name the moment please say to
them I was rising not to be able to see them, &
might have written to them, but that I have not
The papers have very sad notices of the fugitive
of the W. & A. but will doubtless be known out
I will report next week.

My letters are very dull & poor
dear - when I write in the confusion of
the morning I really find it difficult - give
all out - those my love - but the two last - my
brother's & sister's letters - but the two last - my
my hearing been achieved I cannot -
with all love, dear

Your Anna