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(Mrs. Marian Francis to Mr. Ogden)
66 McGill Coll Ave CUSH17/78.12
April 16. 1882

Dear Mr Ogden,

We were all so glad to hear from you & you would have heard from us before only, we had not the numer of your house, & were not quite sure of the street. Now I send on to you a Photo, May's Easter card & a Memoriam Card wh. was enclosed with one to Dr. Osler. He only returned from Washington Philadelphia & New York today & has written to you this evening. He disliked Washington but rejoiced in the City of Brotherly love' but found no Sisterly love there, wh we had been suggesting 1351 is being got up regardless of expense- but there is no unity of design. I have been making some suggestions to "the Landlord" but I think they are thrown away. I have had to visit him everyday with Gwyn who has had an attack in his ears & throat. We miss you very much- the Professor keeps lamenting your loss- he intends never to care as much for another student. I hope you will get some appt. in N.Y. then if we go to live in Philadelphia, when the world smiles on us again as it promises now to do we shall be only two hours train journey away & I am sure you will come to see us. Mr. Francis was in New Orleans he arrived there on the 8th I sent him a telegram them ( a night message 1/2 cost) if I had been sure of your address I shd have asked him to look you up. I hope you will be able to see him as he returns thro I shall send you word of him & of his hotel .- he told us of the Flowers & the alligators How I shd love the flowers but Alligators & Mosquitos I abhor. Dont go into the swamps fishing- Malaria or Alligators may make a "final prize man" of you for the last time. Mr. Cantlie has not returned or been heard of yet. Wish I had some more news for you but I will write again soon, & if at any time you want anything done, enquired about in Montreal or indeed anything that I can do for you, will be executed with much pleasure- the more trouble the better. The youngsters send endless messages they all want to climb up & Gwendolyn says "Where Beauty Ogden" . "Beauty Ogden" has become your soubriquet here.

Believe me

Your very sincere friend

Marian Francis