

Anna
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Dearest Papa -

I have not

yet answered your letter, your
movements seemed so uncertain
but the arrival of the receipt for
the house rent of a year in ad-
vance, makes me feel I must
try & send a letter to you some-
how. It is just like you ever
seeking for plausible as well
plausible opportunities of doing
kindnesses, but I must say I
cannot see that this particular
generosity is well or right
& without wishing to disparage
the "weight of the family dignity"
or its priceless value I am
quite sure I am incapable of
sustaining it to the extent of
\$400.00. It sh^d be a new all-en-
taggering under a weight too
great - even for my broad shoulders.
Also I think at the present
juncture - Mother & Eva sh^d.

Watch that every one notices about Wmings

have all the spare cash to
spend on the other side I have
a good time, while they are
going & free - I after having
been continually remarried
for 7 years by supplements from
the paternal exchequer, it seems
to me I sh^d now gracefully
retire vice William - Also best
but - not least - have you not
yet perceived, that I am much
too truly my father's daughter
to be permanently benefited
by money. I am a peruvian strata
a very leaky vessel, a sail
upon which, a firm & solid
wealth cannot be built - The
whoremithal goes, & slips, & slides
into a hundred rills, wh- always
keeps the same level in the
reservoir above. So dear you
must not be hurt, or grieved
if I send you this back - & to
prove that I am by no means
scarful of money, or ungrateful
for its uses - I will make a
practical suggestion. If you
wish us to have student parties
or to do any definite entertaining
of that kind - I sh^d not object
to taking say \$50.00 to buy goods
for such festivities with an
easy mind - but not otherwise
if you please -

I am so delighted that you are finally off a

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your Western travels, all the hatreds wars
which you - you will so enjoy the school
your manage with a pleasant party. How
of - quite excellent - I am here quite well
like J. A. W. M. in class again, for to me
is a good deal though biological in many the
works & works. I think that is a
How fully it would be if you were not
things of your travels. I don't think you
just like most believe you would things
your own you will be so full of things
new rights & words & ideas. Another
your letter from Birmingham which will
travel. I also heard lately a great
letter written by Miss Cooper about her
with to the same by Miss Cooper, she
"by his unofficially on the head of the
put out on a the rather color of
inconformity."

Sketch, that every me notices about Wilmington
I esteem a charming little notice
I see from the Gazette, in which you are called
upon as being Markbin's father, rather comical
is it not? Staircase it is no doubt - as you
as an acquaintance - for here - it is usual in
of a regular house - said to have been hung up in
New York "Take I father".

We have lately had real summer
weather here, very pleasant. The place seems
now full of strangers there was I was cottage
have spoken up in several places - between
the Post office & the church. The complaints of
Aster are more numerous than ever - 2 or 3 years
with witie, or several occasions - perhaps has been
mentioned too often as there were "no more" I might
I find - make very rare appearances -
The children are all very well &
baby is entirely recovered - Every one rejoices
& this is as good & jolly as possible - Benjamin too

looks much better, & I hope
will be able for the next season

Strawberries have been
usually abundant this year
& we find our estate yields
as many as yours does, which
is well for the children
& indeed for the mother too
for I like picking berries, only
a few days ago I picked quite
a carefull of late berries.

Mr. Flut has been down
here for the last two weeks
welding not a little to the cheer
of the place with his jovial
spirit, he was the chief man
in a grand bonfire wh. was
placed on a raft, & expected to
float at high tide but it
refused to do so, & had to be
burned where it was & as far
down as the water allowed
still it was a lovely sight
though several people preferred
to the grand ones you made
several Dr. Deacons were the
best of any - So there is a new
breed for your fame

It will not now be long
till the time we hope to meet
though far so speedily a parting

We will scarcely have time
for prolonged greetings -
Still I hope you will
send us papers as to your
ground slaying at Minneapolis

With much love
Affectionately
Anna

Little Notes

Aug 19th
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