

Mamma
Tuesday night.

Dearest William

I received tonight
three letters from you, written on
Sunday & Monday & enclosing letters
from Gung, Rankine & Eva.
I have also had a pencil note
from Eva from Bic, about the
cigarettes which, late in the eve-
I have received in safety, besides
I heard by a passenger that Anna
& Sybil were waiting at Bic for
our party from Montreal. We have
now had such a long stretch of
lovely weather that I pretty pers-

it cannot last much longer. It has been extremely warm today & the sun set among great files of glorious clouds — still it is best to hope that they ~~will~~ have a happy time & ample opportunities to file their portfolios.

After the children were in bed I went to the hotel to consult Miss Lums about the invitation card. She unhesitatingly agreed with me that the announcement "to meet the Members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science on occasion of the opening of the Museum" on the invitation side of the card was both unnecessary & unsuitable. She also voluntarily took objection to "Guests will be received in the Hall of the Museum at 8 o'clock," on the program ^{side}

3 Party because it was a repetition
of the invitation, "at 8 o'clock" & party
because even an Irishman "when shown
the door could find the house"
& men of Science ought to be ahead
of that. I prefer the tinted shade
of Carboard.

I am deeply pained to hear that
you are limiting yourself to one
short week of relief from incessant
work. "Smishing touches" may go on
forever. I can understand your
desire to see Mr. Redpath & have
the pleasure of personally surprising
him by the amount of work accom-
plished & talking over various matters
of interest with him, but even
that gratification may be bought
at too dear a price. I wish I
had the power of convincing you

of the truth of the warnings
 of Rankine & every other member
 of the family, but I suppose it
 is perfectly useless. I am longing
 to see Eva & know if she considers
 it hopeless to prevail upon you to come
 here sooner: but I don't through
 remind me that she will not
 at sooner ^{than} here before ~~the~~ ^{Thurs} ~~Friday~~
 or perhaps Friday. so that will fail that.

I am glad you have written to
 the boys. I have had no opportunity
 to write to any one since Mrs. W.
 came. She has gone tonight to take
 Sybil's place at the hotel, but respon-
 sibility about children during A's ab-
 sence fills the time even more. Oh
 for a wilderness if only quiet could be got in
 it! The sink has been removed, very nicely
 I think. Ever your loving Margaret