

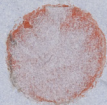
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Halifax Wednesday

Dear Margaret

I was very much disappointed
by not receiving a letter from you on Monday
more especially as I was in need of the
book for which I wrote. I hope however
that the failure arose from some mistake on
the part of the coach people, and that you
are all well; I shall manage very well
well without the book, so that if you
have not yet sent it you need not
worry.

On Saturday afternoon I had a long
and pleasant walk along the shore, col-
lecting sea weeds shells &c. On Sabbath Sat-
urday attended Mr. Meegan's communion, which was
very agreeable and profitable. On Monday I was
chiefly occupied with my lecture, which was
on the articulated animals. Yesterday I
spent the forenoon in town making ar-
rangements for a lecture which I have to
deliver this evening to the Mechanics insti-
tute on the "Composition of Soils," in the
afternoon I took a walk, and in the

evening was at a large dinner party at
Mrs Young's, where such things are got up
during the sitting of the house in grand
style; very fine but as you may suppose
not very comfortable to a quiet man like me.
The weather for the last few days
has been very cold, feeling quite bitter
after the late fine weather. To day it is
milder. I have not made any more
purchases, wishing to hear from you
about the things I wrote of. I expect
now to have a long letter as you have
missed one just, and I do most sin-
cerely hope that nothing may be wrong
at home, that I may hear as heretofore
good news from you. I have now only
two more lectures in Zoology to deliver
and five in geology - Seven in all. So
that my long and tedious course is
nearly to a close, and I am sure
that no one will be more rejoiced than I am
when I get it pushed and get back to my

own dear Margaret, I am in truth wear-
ing very much to be at home once more,
and as usual making resolutions never
to go away on any of these long expeditions.
However I keep up a good heart, hoping
in the best and trusting in not many
days, (only 24) to be home once more.
May our kind Heavenly Father grant us this
additional blessing of being reunited in
health and in happiness.

As I have nothing of yours to an-
swer, you must be content with a short
letter, and I hope that on Friday my
answer may be relieved by a long and
pleasant one from you. I enclose a little song
of the time of Logic of Bonham, which the boys
sing in their music class at the college. I join
my heartily in the sentiment, and I suppose you
will not think me too vain now if I hope
you to do the same.

Yours ever most affectionately

William