

Recognition of Papas Service
gives Maamma her share of
Credit - nice remarks

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Dearest Maamma,

It seems too shabby of me, never to have congratulated you upon your new title, & though it may have come consequently upon Papa's honours, I am sure you deserve it fully as a reward for your labours in feeding, & housing, & furthering in many ways, the scientific, the educational, & progressive cause - not to speak of supporting Papa in all his labours & cares & being the mother of a rising genius like George - I indeed I hope it won't be many years before both Haukeie & Will will appear in the front-ranks in their own ways - & be a source of pride & pleasure to you

What a house of excitement & action you must have had like a court - I sh^d say with

all its retainers, & farms & ceremonials. If it went on for a sufficient time you wd get quite accustomed to it as it is you have such seasons in spasms, & it is accordingly trying - I am aught to recall some of the many memoirs which treat of court-life, I have been lately reading that of Alice, ^{grand} Duchess of Hesse - & though the court- hours minute still she had anything but an easy life like all the Queen's daughters she was very industrious & methodical, as well as benevolent & large-hearted, & devoted to her 7 children - two of whom she lost in peculiarly trying ways.

I saw Mr John Savage yesterday who had been at the opening meeting, & spoke with much enthusiasm of the fine appearance of the scientific men, & the charming of two educational ladies staying with old Mrs Savage.

Like every one else he is full of pleasure at the recognition of papa's services.

I have heard almost nothing of what has been going on except from the papers wh.

mainly give speeches in extenso
wh. I really don't read except
those of any special interest to
me - Lord Rayley seems to be
much liked - Will you be
able to persuade papa to go
away for a short rest after
all this - I sh^d recommend
the Adirondacks - If you can
get all latest information
from the Wilsons - It is a
trip I have often wanted to
take, & Sept^r will be the
most beautiful month of the
year for Inmountain scenery,
mellow, & misty & lovely -

We haven't met's almost
to our selves at present - The
weather has been variable &
wet & misty, but looks more
settled today - so we probably
will have the usual Sept^r
weather -

Give my love to Sarah, I
am so sorry not to see her
also Maggie Fortin if you see
her - Alice Crow will be with
you till later I believe -

I hope you have been for-
tunate in getting a suitable
servant - who will remain &
make the winter tranquil - Ellen
& Florence tells me has been a

model of good behaviour -
With fondness
Affectionately
Anne

Little Inetis -
Sept-12th