

Mr. Crow,
Stoneleigh
North Long
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My dear Mrs Dawson

You would
learn by a notice
sent, of our dear
Mother's death, but
Maggie & Cassie
have asked me to
write, as the former
is just now removing
to a new house and
the latter left on
Tuesday for a visit

to America, in company
with her husband.
Mother had failed
exceedingly, and when
I saw her last autumn
she did not know she
was weak & thin,
but in good health.
She continued this way
till a few weeks since,
when she had a fever-
ish attack, such as
she had formerly been
subject to in Spring, &
had not thought to
call. Though it is

painful to think that
we will see her no more
here, we cannot but
rejoice that her spirit
has passed from all
the weariness & sadness
of life, which had come
to be a pleasure to her.
He had just returned
from a short visit
to Italy, when it occurred
he took one Maggie
and Annie Davis
with us. Perhaps you
know that Maggie
is in school in Cambridge
Mrs. Bell has been very

which to him for which
we feel deeply indebted
I was unwilling for her
to leave school to accom-
pany us, but George says
that the advantage
of travel would more
than make up the loss of
school time. He looks
as free as a bird, and
of course went to
Pompeii and Herculaneum.
Altogether it was a
charming and interest-
ing journey. We were
fortunate in having
fine weather. Since

our return it had
been very wet and
dry, still being very
lovely & the
whole country is
full of the scent
of hawthorn. Could
you send me a
very few seeds of
the maple tree?
Norman tells me
he brought some
from your grounds
but forget me in
distributing them.

I have wished very
much to get one or
two young plants, from
the nurseries, but have
not succeeded. The
seed is the only certain
way of rearing them
here. There are plenty
sorts of maple to be
had, but it is the
sort that times I could
I mean, I am not sure
whether it is the
sugar maple, or not.

Our young plants Leigon
to look the very well, but
at present are suffering
for want of rain.

I will be glad to hear
of you all when
you have time to write.

With kindest regards
to you all in which

Our love joins

believe me
Yours affectionately
Jane Crow