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My Dear Anna.

This will I suppose be my last Sunday in London for some time, at least it will be so if I manage to carry out my present intention I leave next Saturday, either by the 10 o'clock morning express or by the night mail.

I am if possible to go direct to Bruntsland, (or Brunts-land, or Bruntis-land,)

where Papa has found a
Cottage for the summer.

I intend to mail this letter
tomorrow & thus it will
reach you by an intermedi'ate
mail, & my next will I
hope be dated from Scotland.

My reason for doing so is that
I will of course be very
busy about the exams &
thus cannot hope to be
able to add anything. Besides
Papa & Mamma will no
doubt write by the Canadian
mail. By the way I suppose
by the time this gets over

you will be at Murray Bay
occupying Mrs Henderson's house.
How completely the tables will
be turned, with somebody
else in the Grande Maison
brune. (as I chanced it to
make the Castles understand
which I meant) You will
then have to humbly beg for
the use of the ice house & Cloquet
grounds. However I hope that
better tempered people than
ourselves will occupy it. I allow
you these priviledges willingly.

I got a letter from Mamma
few days ago in which she

told me that the Couishes
were staying in London (or
rather at Hammersmith) with
the Birds. As I had been
there once before with Mamma
I thought I might manage to
find my way again, & so went
on the expedition this afternoon.

I found Prof. C out but
Mrs C & Georgie in, both looking
very well, & glad to see me.

It seemed so curious to see them
over here, it makes it look
quite a short distance across
when so many people you
know keep dropping in. She
had quite a stock of home news

I said which I hope is true
that you were getting on very
well. She also said that
Mr Barnard was ordered off
to some other locality in a
month or two. She talks of
starting for home again about
the twenty fifth of August
& there is some talk of Mamma
going under their escort.
The weather has been beautifully
cool & pleasant for some
days back & I hope will
continue so till after the
exams, at any rate. When
I get down to Scotland
It may get as hot as it

pleases, for that weather
is very pleasant when you
are by the sea & have nothing
more to do than you please.

I think I will presently
become if not ~~the~~ a "womans
rights" man, something like
it, for really it is quite
painful to think about
what small & stupid things
womens minds are often
occupied. Why should they
not, at any rate know
as much as other people, for
not only would it give
them something better to think

about, But it would
open such boundless fields
of pleasure, of a rational kind
to them. Why for instance
should women not know
Geology, Chemistry, &c., for
Geology & Chemistry are only
in reality the knowledge
of things which we meet
with every day. If we
know nothing about them
but what a dog or cat
would know, such as their
external form & appearance; pass
by without notice or obtaining
any enjoyment from them.

I was very rash in taking
two fags of paper. But you see
I have managed to fill up.
Do you know how Robert
Carpenter is getting on in
the west?

Please give R, W, & E strict
orders not to drown themselves,
perhaps the best rule would be
that they should write & ask
Mamma for leave every time
before going out in boats &c.

Give my love to them all
& with much to yourself

Believe me your affectionate
brother. George.

P.S. Have you read the Duke of Argyll's
books called, "Princival man" & "the
reign of law". If not I prescribe them
as a dose. They are over here at present
but Papa will probably take them back
with him.

G.D.

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