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Sunday Evening  
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Dear Anna,

I wrote you a short letter on Friday evening and of course intended that it should be posted ~~with~~ yesterday, which, however, by a mistake it was not.

Yesterday by way of pleasing your father I went on the excursion to Lake Memphrango and was on the whole glad that I went. Our party consisted of Mrs Wilson, Miss W. Miss Crow, Miss Campbell (the youngest)

Dr Fray, Dr Lamborn &  
myself, & Miss Craigie also  
joined us during the day.

Dr Lamborn you will remember  
was at the meeting of the  
American Association and  
has evidently come back

chiefly to renew his acquaintance  
with Eva! We left about  
8 in the morning & got back  
about the same time in the  
evening. The lake is well worth  
seeing though not so fine as  
Lake George.

To-day I intended to spend  
in the home but have done  
just the opposite. This morning  
I went to church and heard  
an admirable sermon from

the Rev Dr Fairbairn of  
Airdale College England.

Then in the afternoon  
I went with the Ramsay  
Wrights to hear a lecture  
on "Ethics as a substitute  
for Religion". It was shallow  
bosh and yet I am very  
glad that I was there; for  
it was the strongest argument  
which I have heard in  
favour of the Christian  
religion. This evening I  
accompanied Mrs Wilson  
"Sister William & Lady Daw-  
son" to the Methodist Church  
to hear the celebrated Cook  
of Boston, some of whose  
writings I think you know.  
He is a remarkable man

and an interesting preacher  
 - fairly crammed with  
 original ideas. William &  
 Florence were also there. Poor  
 F is feeling very badly having heard  
 that his mother is dangerously  
 ill with spasm of the heart -  
 she has had no news for some  
 days but hopes to get letters  
 to-morrow.

I have heard nothing further  
 of Mary, but may go to St Andrews  
 when the meeting is over in order  
 to talk with my father and  
 see whether he thinks of having  
 her attempt to go away for the  
 winter. I fear, however, that she is  
 too weak to go. My information is  
 from Mrs Molsore to whom Maria has  
 been writing, Mrs M says on no acct  
 to let Mary know that we have heard  
 that she is worse.

Monday morning to write more, but no gain  
 I hope all love for yourself & the little one  
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