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Date?

Beach - Keep children  
away from Dawson's  
heights - soon - hiding house -  
Lugging a riding horse -

Little Betty's  
Friday -

My dear Mother,

Many  
Thanks for your  
letter which I received  
this morning - We  
have at last got a  
beautiful Betty's day  
much warmer, &  
lovely & sunny -  
It is so nice to  
have a fine day

like this after its  
having been so cold,  
I have burnt all  
the soles of my boots  
with trying to keep  
my feet warm.  
There are blankets  
for all the beds  
except yours & the  
spare - bedroom -  
Kate says that  
one is needed for  
the cooks room  
that that checked  
blanket is not  
nearly warm

enough, but of course you can judge of that for yourself. We have been on the shore all morning, and are going down this afternoon as the tide will be in & we will go out on the punt for a little. I find it almost impossible to keep the children

away from the  
Dawsons. Eva is  
the worst, if she  
sees one of them  
on the road off she  
will fly. Last night  
the children were  
in the parlor & I  
came up stairs for  
a minute to get  
something and Kate  
called them to go  
& get undressed  
when I came down  
Louis & Bernard were  
getting undressed

but Eva<sup>s</sup> was not,  
& Kate said, "Oh, dear  
that naughty little  
girl has not come  
yet & I have called  
her." So I went into  
the parlor to get  
her but she was  
not there. Well, we  
runted up & down  
stairs, out doors, &  
every where but  
we could not  
find her, we  
called, & called  
but she did not

reply. After a very  
long time I dis-  
covered her in  
your bedroom  
up on the window-  
seat just behind  
the curtain. Of  
course we had  
looked there in that  
room before, but  
the curtains were  
drawn back & we  
did not think  
any one could be  
so bold enough to hide  
behind. When we

found her, of course  
she laughed, she  
was greatly am-  
used, she said  
"I heard you all  
shouting & calling  
for me". We did  
not laugh before  
her, but we did  
after. Eva was  
very pleased with  
Millie's letter. Madame  
Beynon is here  
today doing the  
Lofa. I have

not yet managed  
to see Dr. O'Years but  
will try to tomorrow.  
I think if I were  
to engage my saddle  
for about the 16<sup>th</sup>  
at the latest, as I  
would like to try  
some horses, before  
the people come  
down. Dr. Lawndry  
has offered me a  
very nice one, he  
offered it last year  
but then Dr. Kemp  
engaged it for the



Summer? I dare  
say you remember  
Dr Kemp. driving  
it, a black horse.  
I told Mr<sup>r</sup> Lawndrey  
that I would  
like to try it before  
engaging it for the  
summer, as it  
might have too  
hard a trot for  
riding or something.  
It is a nice looking  
animal though  
quiet too. Heber  
is in trousers this

year & looks quite  
a man. In the  
letter which I received  
sent me was an  
closed her photograph  
it is very good of  
her, although she  
has not quite such  
a nice expression  
on, as she usually  
has, she looks quite  
twenty though, now  
she has her hair  
up. Please do not  
forget to send me

Father's address, as  
I would like to  
write to him -  
My letter must  
now go to the mail  
so I will close  
hoping Baby continues  
to keep well  
With much love  
from your  
loving daughter  
Clare

