

Montreal November 4th 1770.

My dear George

When I take up my pen
to write by my first thoughts are not
what shal I tell you, but what, I wonder,
has paper told you, what has Anna written
about, until I feel as if obliged to write
only of self & as I am now so often gummbling
with spirits depressed, the subject is disagreeable.
After I last wrote I had thro. or face days
additional pain from my swollen face.
I now add I ends of pains & symptoms keep
up a general disturbance, which I daily
expect to take leave, & if not I am going to
ask serious good advice. I now that I have
relieved my feelings by this pen I may tell

got of a pleasant time we enjoyed
last night at Lucy Lawrence's. An experiment
to attain to some more improved plan
for social entertainment. "Readings" by
Miss Henry interspersed with some very
good music. Did you see her
her? She was a normal school pupil
Her voice is liquid music & her power
of modulating it very excellent. Our student
gathering last Saturday was successful
as regards numbers there were, including
ab., 54 in the rooms. They had cakes, Turkey
Candy, Chocolate & Coffee for supper. We intend
to get Mr. Andrew to "read" to the Juniors on
Saturday the 12th. After several rain storms
& a snow flurry last Sunday night we
have again had lovely weather. Today

we have clear sunshine & charming
temperature. notwithstanding according to
Custom we are getting our double
windows put on. The furnace too has
been burning for 8 or 10 days. I saw
Mrs Cross at Surge Lane last evening.
She told me that alkali finds the lesson
so hard this winter that Mrs Noble
proposes to get a private tutor to fit her
for Oxford. your old friend Whitney
is now at Cambridge. Poor Jap
was almost distracted last
night by receipt of your letter mentioning
the possibility of one of your geological men
I wish said man would extend his hands
to Canada & convince himself if he would
be convinced by statements at second
hand. William desires me to send you
his love & say he does not write too much

because there is such a hurry I he has
no communication of much interest. If you
are writing to any of our State friends I
should be obliged if you would send
my good wishes. I do not wish to be
detained from taking a walk this fine day.

I suppose you have not done anything
about music for A. I wish you could send
her "When the wind blows in from the sea".
as an experiment in the matter of price I
quote you. Do not feel bound to do so. I have
said nothing to her. She is taking some
lessons from Mrs. Reddie. Rankine goes
on rather grumblingly at Carpenter. I do think
he is overmarking the boys. Eva is quite happy
at Miss Simms. Mr. de Sola's youngest child is
heavily hurried today. Here comes papa
for lunch so for the present goodbye.

Accept of my much love I good wishes that
you should be very more comfortable
I fit me. Give me affectionate
Mama