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My dear Percy

God will please
excuse me if I write very hastily
at this time. I was very much engaged
yesterday & today is always my day of
special business. We received your
kind acceptable letters in good
time this week. We are not disappointed
about the dues - until we know
whether to expect it our plans had to
be our undecided, now we know
we can decide. I am truly sorry
to hear of Cap. Schabers trouble. I should

here thoughts a little fellow so
thoroughly accustomed to the insect would
have been little likely to smother with
such an accident. I trust you are
watchful as well as careful of your
own health. If there is any return of
symptoms which would indicate the
presence of the old disease. I would as
soon take medical advice. If it is the
languor & headache after induced by
the change of season try your old tonics.
I am at present giving Eve a simple
infusion of Camomile flowers, which seems
to be of use to her — her appetite has improved.

Anne & William have voluntarily taken
a share & look like it. — Half an ounce
of Camomile flowers. Pour one pint of boiling
water over them let it stand for an hour or two

∩ Strain into a Chas. bottle. take a dose
spoonful dilute with a little water
before breakfast. ∩ after a day or two, if you
think it does good, take it twice or thrice
daily. It is simply a tonic. ∩ very safe.

Papa bids me thank you for your
letter to him. He believes it is impossible
for him to write to you. The more work
he does the higher the remaining pile seems
to grow — for his sake I count the days
that intervene until we leave. He is very
much needed there, not I hope he will then
have. He has nearly finished packing his
possibles. He has seven pretty large & terribly
heavy boxes. I must rush to him from
"Katuru" — the decision that a board of scientific
Commissioners are to be appointed to inquire into
the Condition of Science in Britain. He wishes
he could be placed at the head of it. I do

wish the appointees knew how truly, "the
right man would be put into the right
place", if it were so arranged. Papa & I must
be the last of the "Somerville Course" last night
to hear Mr. Brom, who is now assistant
to Dr. Hunt in the Zoological Survey. He speaks
tolerably well - but the lecture seemed to be
two or three pages from his student's note-book.

We are keeping our minds easy about
being excused by Mrs. Guest.

Papa has finished his lectures & examinations
of the Medical & Natural Schools. With the latter
he has closed his connections. His examination
of students of Arts begins to-day. The Medical
Convocation is to take place before he leaves.
His scheme about endowments has occupied
a great deal of his time. It is here a secret but
Mr. P. Redpath has returned & Coaten plates, enclosing
a Chair. I must leave Anna to give
you the current news. I have only subscribed myself
with all love yours. Ever Affectional Father