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Tuesday night

My dear George

your father having
 with William's help, nearly completed
 a little sketch of Revolution is now
 strongly hounding his mind again on
 his Biography. I have made an attempt
 to begin reacting portions of it, but various
 things have stopped further progress. I
 suspect he thinks this idea is hopeless.
 He has caused me to write to a Mr. Reule
 an A.R.S.C. I am of the staff of the Gazette,
 to ask him to come to see him, instructing
 to question him as to whether he would

undertake to edit his Biography.
 I wanted paper to write to you asking
 you if you knew anything of Mr Peck's
 capabilities & what you allude in
 regard to such a suggestion, I now I
 fear Mr B will come to ask you what
 he is wanted before you can write &
 if so I will try to see him alone & say
 any a few non-committal words to him.
 Another idea has seized paper to the
 effect of consulting Mr Baurinot on
 this matter he has himself written a
 letter which he intends me to copy, but
 neither I nor I think it wise to
 consult him, Mr Peck nor any other

before getting your opinion. I shall
 therefore enclose paper's pencil letter to
 you, making a copy from it for myself,
 before doing so, so that it will not be
 necessary for you to return it. I do not
 remember whether I told you this about
 the time we first spoke of this I wrote
 tentatively to Rankine merely intimating
 that his father wished to have his Biography
 edited & that whereas assumed the
 responsibility but need to be humble as
 it will take the united talents of the family
 to attend each to their specialty & paper & I
 to dit critics are the whole. I shall
 be truly sorry that George - if what I

~~I shall be sorry to hear 4~~

I write now should worry you.
Please do not take it too seriously. If you
think with us that it is undesirable to
have the manuscript given to any out-
side person I can make another
attempt to reach portions of it ^{to} day
to day & then may satisfy him. I know
you are busy & have lots of troublesome
questions to settle without my
adding to them - still I am quite cer-
ain that you are willing to give your
advice & help us with whole heart-
edness.

Clara progresses quite fabulously. It
slips a home last night & ^{will} sometimes do so
returning to the Hospital early in the morning.
Gives her affectionately. Mother.