

Little Notes

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Dearest George

You must think us very shabby not to have written before - but when one travels with "Coalgers" there is always "muck to do" - Mother has been in her glory, working of all kinds pegging away for her, & both her maid cleaning & scouring, & work she'd keep an old fellow she has working for he is faithful & intelligent & really gives her much pleasure in working about the place, it seems that Mrs F. Keelpath has preempted him for the summer -

It took us some time to shake down - as we had only one maid, & she has been ill & spent several days in bed but I hope she will be all

I am ashamed of the whole but the chief  
cause have been unbelief, & yet the few & the  
dabbled - The more I think of it the less I be-  
lieve in it - making a success of Prophan' life  
& total matters long ago that he got papers & the  
other sympathetic that suits ~~for~~ & unprofitable  
him - least - after he grew up he considered  
certain not only his actions, but his whole  
kind of work <sup>& carrying</sup> well say that when he was  
and - last - he was small - charitable, & that  
understand his various sufferings, & ~~that~~  
has them more than mother in others' side -  
I am - knowing people quick hearts & another  
& much - but - his feelings of doing so, I don't  
not - like to interfere further. will - feeling an  
I do I think call of other - toward great & an  
articles of the density of capital, & returning  
higher - character & subtle - infidelity - way - Prophan'  
do him much more justice, & give the ~~the~~ that  
liberty - charm that a bold narration of facts &

about two times since thinking of others now  
I - beg and - please has the best - time ever  
have been & all the security, needs is - road  
& we are content to stay wherever - see the  
children have plenty, resources but of the  
& he is rather too active & aspirational for the  
general process, but we continue new seats  
has been & particularly, regarding falls in the  
cities, & teaching curriculum subject of the  
problems & without to him - we left - Confess  
old friends in the house & it - little is most  
incurious & especially out of their best seems  
such it as way, it is like needs in his home  
best love & river, table or is - I fear I have  
how to get - what if - it - is - needs, I want  
not - stop in mind & week which success, up, but  
is - is guide & why - I proposed meeting it, but  
the blue state, that - has it - we - as rather taking  
the primitive people are & introduce the arts in old  
people with their methods -

right severe. Meanwhile we  
had a good many details  
see too. The leaves were just  
coming out when we arrived  
snow still in patches in the  
cells, & B.S. saw plenty of it  
when fishing through the woods,  
the weather has been perfect  
warm, & serene & breezing &  
we have enjoyed seeing the  
spring unfold, & the flowers  
come out. Marsh marigolds  
stand in great bunches on my  
table, & the pretty little pink  
primroses also decorate our  
rooms, & in the last three  
days the Iceland Poppies have  
burst into a radiant host.  
It has been capital weather  
for starting our garden-plots  
& B.S. has done the watering  
& I have put up tents to shelter  
the weak seedlings.

A bundle of rare lumber  
that Bernard bought at an  
auction promise fairly well

concept of autobiography & need  
give - A life without some  
of the raconteur gift, - is not very  
fascinating, & I am convinced  
that by advertising for incidents  
as we some way digging them  
up much human interest  
could still be recovered. & I am  
sure that mother quite under-  
estimates the note spread  
currency his life would have, &  
how much he has been a  
household word, & hero.

It is perhaps rather late  
to say all this - & of course if  
he really means to take hold  
we must take the consequences  
& help him all we can -

I did not think he would do  
it when it came to the point  
& I would not be surprised if  
he still threw it up - In any  
case, try & see that he leaves  
materials as they are, available  
and far further reference  
& not so recast as to be dif-  
ficult to use again.

I suppose there is no  
immediate prospect of your  
coming down here - & I see  
mother just aheads the whole



thing, & we'd just-like to live  
among her trees & improve-  
ments. & not be worried  
by pen work or works. The  
only thing she badly wants  
is some one to talk over these  
with, I go over as often as  
possible, but find it dif-  
ficult to break away, & the  
young people afford her no  
pleasure, they only interrupt  
or occupy her time. If Rankin  
is not in a hurry, you had  
better keep him a few days  
with you, & let her have her  
out-of-doors life as long as  
may be - The old Thomas can  
not be had later, as I explain-  
ed. & he is a very handsy old  
fellow -

We shall be delighted to  
see you, & I only wish the  
present quiet-c'd continue  
the children are so happy, &  
read & work & amuse them-  
selves without any great  
affairs, or the help of neighbors.

Dear General is receiving a parcel from  
with the library as well as some  
nothing to do with

Officially  
Quinta Shoreport