

1861, June 2

Monday night

Since I came home, we have had a
 lot of company & it has been impossi-
 ble to get away to write to you as I wished
 but my heart has been with you dear
 dear darling of my heart. I am a
 little troubled about you being alone
 with Mary at Saetoga. It seems to
 me that if Mary were really too ill
 to be moved from Saetoga - the Hitchcocks
 would hardly leave her there alone - espe-
 cially as you felt her place her more
 than can. If they thought some one ought
 to be with her - they would have written
 to me about it. It also seems to me
 strange that Mary should be able to
 go out to a service & be so impudic

as to eat forth unreasoned on the
part of the witchcock. I sh be unable to
leave when they find it necessary to
do so - You must remember darling
that Mary is my nurse - my stubborn
& head strong & my impediment! & you ought
not to encourage the independent spirit
by going to her - If you could not go - as
you could not last week or the week
before she would have been compelled
to do as the witchcock had wished - which
I feel morally satisfied would be the
right thing for her to do - And dear is
not so able to judge in such a case as
you would be - therefore you must not
be guided by him - His disposition
to wound Mary - would make him say
in a minute - "go to her at once" - but
darling I don't think this would be

such what you father would tell
Bridget darling - if you do go - I don't want
to go alone - If you can get a pass to
go - for himself & me - let him take you
but if not - I don't want you to go without
him - It's right - if necessary - go with
you then & then take you down to Sewey
& remain with you for a time & then
leave you - but I don't want you to go
alone - I think he could remain away
from work very well - but after that I
think he ought to go back to business
& you could easily go to Boston from Sewey
in company with Mary - without him
but Saratoga is a different thing - I
was disappointed not to receive my
paper envelope today I remained in
town my late for the purpose - but it
did not come - I was so stupid to have

to find the papers in an act of the utmost
importance to me before I sail - The papers
so desired & hurried in town today.

Monday. I am in despair my
own darling. The portfolio of papers
to Mrs. Truman has arrived - but
find to my infinite dismay that
a long envelope which contained
all my important papers - among
them the two policies of insurance
on Alexander Cushman's life & all
the statistics of my property in the
hands of W. Warlaw. On discovering
this - as it was most important
that I should have them before
sailing I sent a telegram for them
I hope surely you may find them
in your desk or somewhere & send
them on by the conductor of the