

John Hopkins Letter  
Newport, Friday Sept. 10.

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Dear Mr. Laniel

Your letter this morning fills us with concern, and I am especially grieved that I have not written to you - as I fully intended - but you know how Miss Cushman's illness affects me - and we were hoping every day to hear you were coming to us - so, having much writing to do, I waited until I should hear from you. - We feared your visit would be delayed, ~~having~~ <sup>hearing</sup> through a letter from Mr. Peacock that you were deeply immersed in your book - and saw no immediate prospect of getting through with your labours - We are all grievously disappointed but hope most earnestly you may soon be able to come - and will come the very moment you are able... the chance here would no doubt help you to get back your strength. and I wish we were anywhere near you that we might be of some help and comfort to you - all I can do in the way of comfort however is to tell you that I believe Miss C. is decidedly improving now - all her bad symptoms have passed - and although she is very weak & helpless yet - she feels that she is gaining day by day - She takes her drives now regularly - and takes her meals with us - which is a great joy as you will understand. - There has been no thought of Lenox - but we are just beginning to talk about it again - She wills so strongly to get there - if it is only for a week or ten days - that I believe it will be accomplished... it may be perhaps possible for you to join us there. Your magazines have not been received - but Miss C. has provided herself with others and I have lately written to one of my friends in England with the request - at her request. This friend is not Mr. Ainton

he will also receive them - but a lady of great taste & culture moving in the best literary and artistic circles - they who will I am sure take the greatest interest in them - not only for our sakes - but because she will be fully able to appreciate them - Hoping this will find you much better - with much solicitude and sympathy -

Ever yours <sup>(31)</sup> & faithfully - E. -

all send kindest greetings and hopes you will soon be able to come. -