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My dear Will

I have been made more than happy just now, by the receipt of your hearty welcome letter, announcing your safe return to our common home.

I have been keeping an anxious look in all the papers for some two or three months past, for some account of you, or rather the ship we heard you would likely return in; and the wife before last saw her name announced among the arrivals, but without your name as passenger.

I was about to drop for a slave then, but thought I wait a day or so in the expectation of hearing - and true enough it is your own direction that first greets my eye -

I am sorry that I have to scratch
in haste for the mail. And wish I
could have myself to join you, but
the near approach of an heir to
my estate estates constrains me
to defer my departure until after
the winter, but - the season is hourly
looked for, when, as soon after as possible
I will wind my way after you -

I can easily imagine you feeling
at this time, and have only to assure
you for we are having doubtless a hearty
welcome among a whole hearted set
as I believe we all are -

We must have a long talk among
us over old times and coming
times, and do what we may, we
must stick together -

I am eager to see you, and
hope I may get off by the first
of next week - Anna Maria

is much delighted to hear of your
safe return. and Emily is wishing
she could see you -

God bless you, and good luck
to you. and drink my health in
what you may find of some fine
old wine, which I have left at
No 3.

In no small haste
Yours truly
brother
Edgar

Many wishes expressed to see you - and
love to you C.

Do you remember the old craft as she
laid in Stream the night before your
departure



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