

Whitestborough July 2^d 1895

My dear Emma

I have delayed writing to you until after I had seen my friends here and regained my usual composure; for although you perhaps could hardly imagine that merely visiting this monotonous village could cause any excitement, it is true that I have been very much occupied since my arrival and I have written to no one but Papa. Our journey was delightful; we arrived here Saturday morning, and much to our disappointment found that Mrs Walcott and Helen had left for Providence, & Uncle and Aunt White were on their way to the "far west". They will probably go to Detroit and I should not be astonished if they went to Chicago. I regret so much that they are gone, and especially that Helen is not here that I do not like to think of it. I had anticipated, and know I should have enjoyed much pleasure in Helen's society; but "what cannot be cured, must be endured," and I consider this disappointment as the bitter drop in my cup of pleasure, and if I taste no other I cannot I will not complain.

I found Whitestborough just as I left it with the exception of a few alterations in its external

appearance, the most important of which are a speaking
and fees around the green and a new church. And there
is one new custom here. In church they have adopted
the Episcopal form of riding while singing and letting
swing prayers. This has excited me more than any thing
else, and pleased me too for I spoke it to the other par-
ish, and I do not understand why the alteration should be
made, it is not only the case in the Presbyterian Church,
but is practiced in the Baptist & other denominations,
and so I have been told.

The first person I saw was
William Wetmore, he stopped on the boat at the lower
bridge, I was really quite glad to see him again. His
name is very well, I have seen her since & achieved
your message, she said she would write soon, and as
is generally the case had no reason to offer as an
apology for her silence. I have given you some
half a dozen persons. Said not remember who you
mentioned in particular, I distributed it according to
my judgment and hope and think I have selected
those you would have chosen yourself. I have only
heard one report about you, and that is, that you are
engaged to some ^{one} and I am glad. I contradicted this &
presume my conduct will meet with your approbation,
this shall be engaged to the contrary. I like him
very much indeed, he is not an idiot, but is quite
abundant as I should wish a gentleman to be, his
eyes are fine, his talents are good, and I should think
the good enough refinement & delicacy of feeling & sentiment

and that is precisely the faultless features. They will
not be married very soon, as he is not admitted yet &
believe, he is studying in the Baker's office. He is very
much attached to Eliza, and I am satisfied that there is
a prospect of a pleasant home for her. I asked Eliza
if she would any of the most important publications
which, but she that not seem to understand it adds
think of such a thing and was perfectly ignorant on
that subject. I think it will be a true market. It is
appending to find out, for I had begun to think that
every one had turned to champagne, and day to day
that "rotten life of its beauty, its glory and its power."

As you think I have had
courage to have have three teeth extracted, I ca-
nably believe it myself, that I have the evidence of
my dentist to convince me that this is indeed true.
The wonderful operation was performed yesterday, I
am obliged to remain in the house today and my head
feels as if every nerve had been shaken. This most
famous business I do think, my conviction of the
importance, and my dread of that unbearable pain
the toothache, compelled me to submit against my
inclination to the momentary anguish of extraction.

When you know that this is the
best paper, I can find, about the price I see has been
working for me an elegant word in the midst of a
week you will not be astonished at the careless and
unhappy and appearance of this letter, this is all the
apology I can offer.

Will you not write very soon and tell
me how you are and where you are, if you do not
write soon I am afraid I shall not receive your
letter and I wish very much to hear from you. When
you see Mary give my love to her and tell ^{her} ~~nothing~~
would give me more pleasure than a letter from her.
I enjoy myself very much here. You know I did
not anticipate the most delightful time that ever was.

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your

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Miss Emma Nichol

Care of Judge Hoffman.
New York.

I don't know certainly when we shall return but
probably in the course of a week or two. I did feel
most dolefully when I left, and shall be glad to
return. Give my love to your mother.

Have you drank tea with Papa?

Your Affectionate
Eliza.

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