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Dear sister, Ann.

I suppose
you will be looking out for a letter from
me next week, & I will try not to disap-
point you, although I will not prom-
ise that my letter shall be very inter-
esting. We have had about a week ^{more} of
extremely hot weather, & I see no signs
of its being any cooler soon. It is
after 4 o'clock yet it is so warm now
that the sweat 'steams' out of one, just
sitting still, & my hands are so hot that
I can hardly write at all. I used
to think there were some ^{so} ~~of~~ hot
days in N. J. & so there was, but still
the heat seems more indurable there
than here, on account of the sea-air
I suppose. All that I have talked
with, that come from near the ocean
anywhere, say there is a great difference

in the opinion of best & able, how
 to have they were to live. If you ever
 offend a good man (the best)
 least) you will have a chance to
 have my words of counsel to have with
 Charles that is now away from that
 I put it off thinking only of myself
 he so said thinking that it was wrong
 still of people & in the morning
 have better to take up to work & to
 showing to work over his side & by
 time I got that done it was time to
 be doing something towards getting dinner
 & by that I got that done & was so warm
 & cold that I got as if I couldn't write
 One of our neighbors daughter came
 & asked for me this morning & had
 two weeks of the same. She is going
 to work for me even after much writing
 the weather is cold at last.
 She is the same daughter that has
 been with me. (I believe I have
 written to some of you before, that
 your little & small house last spring
 closed by the house the house was & had

Let this be said: He has not influence
 much of his kind himself this year
 the girls name that I speak of is changed
 Edmunds & says she is now Thomas
 years old. Her father has told her
 about my drawing a lot of daguerotypes
 so she expects to see them if I see
 nothing. I have really managed to hear her
 opinion of them. She says for the most
 like a lawyer, he looks serious &
 smart, it she thinks Jack is not handsome
 don't tell him or change for it may
 make him more your friend.
 I can't remember half she did say but
 she thought the folks are general that
 much the same as them this and her
 and I don't know how much she has
 some one influence out here.
 I don't wish I could have been with
 you after your move to the beach, and
 nothing, I think I give long but no
 the ocean would really refresh me.
 I think give the list if I could have
 one this afternoon. I have forgotten
 just what it is I did say about this

box-laurel blossoms, but it was something
but there being a scarce article there
& that they must send you a flower
when they found a great one, &c.

I was asked too or three weeks ago, if there
was any pond-lilies, or box-laurel here?

I don't think that either of them grow
anywhere near here, for I haven't heard
of nor seen any. There is plenty of get-
-low-lilies & lots of other plants in the
Mps. but no white lillies and very rare,
there are no swamps here consequently no
Cedar, pines or other swamp woods, neither
is there any kind of laurel here that
I have seen or heard of. Hope to hear
that short, Tiff is much better or quite
well. This week & I hope to hear the story
of my friends & relatives around there
are all well. Tell John I was almost
amazed to get a letter from him once
more, for I didn't know but what he had
quite "waiting for good & all", Am expecting
a letter from him this week. Much
love I send with this to father, mother, &
brother & sisters, please accept ^{it} from all.