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75a. W. Poplar St. Charlotte, N. C.
June seventh. nineteen eleven.

Dear Dr. Dwyer,

I am so sorry you had
all the "disjointed" misery attending
disjointed plumbing. "Roading surprise
sweats" - gone ashen, snake one wish
for old days of "wells" and things.
To remember Sam. Wells reply, when
I wrote, congratulating her on the ac-
quisition of "Plumbing" & "Water Works" -
"Oft, very, fine - only we have no
"water" in summer, and no "work" in
winter". As for the expense - it was
inevitable, and to be met. I am
sorry to let the painting go, but I
shall be obliged to H. see. The
house must look exceedingly shabby
but since you are to be there
but one more year, perhaps it
is better to let it alone, till I see
what happens next. Of course it
is very sorrowful news that you
decide not to keep the house, but

I was quite prepared for it by the
memory of uncertainties in many
directions. I certainly think you
are wiser not to fling the sponge
under existing conditions. It has
been the greatest help, and comfort
to me that it has been in your
charge these years, and I am
glad that it is another year of
peace. Then Ken will be through,
which means a great relief.
Thank you warmly for your offer
to mow the landscape for a per-
chaser. I suppose I would not be
permitted to sell to a "fraternity"
(as most people seem to do in
the end) - supposing I could. I
have thought a good deal about
the group of bachelors who club
in Cascadilla (with a shifting
personnel, save for Dr. Alfred
who remains of the originals.)
Our house would be well

adapted for such a group of ^{people}.
There would (by clever partitioning
my large bed room) be a bed
room and study, office for fine
luxurious & solitary - a pub. room
the lower floor for communists -
and housekeeper's rooms down
stairs. I wonder if Professor Helms
will remain at Cornell? Would
it be wise do you think to
consult him about it? Mr. Lamm
had a great headache to come
into the house - I wonder if
there would be agricultural back-
slows who might take it -
You are too busy to taste on a
Real Estate agency, but any inquir-
ing that lies along your route
to shall be most grateful to you
for making. - Making price to
be talked of when there is
a prospective purchaser. Do you
think Mr. Tuck will stay at

Leonell if Prof. Bailey leaves?
Miss Van Rensselaer & Miss Rose might
take our house and have Agnes &
sister ladies - I should I can think
of a number of people who would
be much benefitted by taking the
adobe home for a goodly sum -
only they may be blind to their
interests. I do not wish to rent
if I can possibly sell. I do not
know whether I could "for a term
of years" - the status of any building
being so. If you have opportunity
will you see what Professor Hildreth
thinks of the - Bachelor Professor apartment
idea -? You do not suppose
you are to be Woods Hole Providence?
The July rent will furnish the
plumber's order exactly. Our ad-
dress will be "Skylark Inn" - Prov-
ing Rock, N.C. Thank you for
your kind commendation of Ben
I hope he is going to be a good

and useful man. ^{JUNE 7/1911} Tomorrow, after a delighted week
at David Thier, and it would
take more than an old Rhinoceros
bill to depress me. I do hope
you will all have a lovely
recuperating summer. Tell Mr.
Grane that I am in line for
any photographs he has of
the children. I enclose this
grievous list of unknown
quantities you sent me. I am
sure I don't want it.
There never was a better lesson
than you saw a more incense-
burnt "lover" (I'm not sure that's
right) than
yours very cordially,
Ernest Ingham.

Bluffton S. C., June 13th 1911

My Darling Marie

I send enclosed
a small bill 25 cts. apiece for
the children & 50 cts. for candy
for your dear sweet help. The
weather continues perfectly hot &
I know you all will enjoy the
Sea Air. Ben especially. He ought
to take 5 drops of Noy's remedy
three times a day. "Papa" is a little
better. I am glad to say & he has
the best attention, but the illness

Dr. died ten days ago. & we
have no Dr. only a very good
nurse, we hope soon to have
one of the former. Darling is
wrote to me at soon after you
wrote "Good-bye". So that I
may know of your hope. I want
just for a white dress. as I can
get one in Jerusalem which is
new, & the shoes are very good
love & kisses to the little Darling
& best wishes to "Bey" though
it is past his birthday & I am
too busy now to have remembered
to Papa, joined me in much affection
& love of the dear ones & "Aunt Lucie"
and her love. Give dearest "Minnie"

The last you can
 see of her
 small you must
 under there is my
 me & enjoy
 looking at
 many times at
 her head
 I am getting
 me & have much
 of the things
 in milk when
 your dog has
 been

very hot I cannot milk mice.
 I then two "Pepi" had been sick
 & my time had occupied milk
 him. He is getting on slowly & is
 better - some taking Bismuth. That
 Jack advised. He has no Dr.
 yet & the Ministers of the Episc
 opal church had gone to his home
 to be taken care of by his daughter.
 as he is getting very feeble & now
 out, Many thanks for the pretty

I acceptably dressed. The whole
dress felt me beautifully, & only
regretted your small neck, at
the bottom of the skirt, as it was
rather long. There are several
dresses here who take in sewing &
do me work. I gave Lucia the
Bible, as it was rather large for
me & she is delighted with it.

Miss Heyward had been made to
Lucia, & talking as well, so Lucia
let her go, & now I am keep-
ing house & have my hands
full in this hot weather. But
have a very good servant in the
kitchen & a man for the chores.

& we get a plenty of Ice from
Savannah. With you & Aggie
with the children here down here
to. I enjoy the freedom of
the life & go on talking with
the Savannah girls & their
many friends who are staying
right opposite to us. We have
Greek & Latin, but the former
will be larger later in the season.
Mr. Hunter the Explorer, came
over yesterday & made a satisfactory
settlement. I will write you about
it. When I have read the statement
again, I hope the result you will
feel better after being on the salt water.

& taking the babies. "Papa" has
been in Tunis & enjoyed it. We
are getting on nicely & have peace
now that "Alie" is not here to bother
at all. We have just finished taking
a bath. Melon on the Papyrus I
send you Secrets a bill for you
to spend on your sweet self. I
thank you so much for the
pretty dress. I enjoy wearing
it so much. With warm regards
Love & kisses to dear Ben & the
Children. I hope the journey
is getting over but has gone. Quite
easy here. as it is intensely hot, out
of the breeze. Papa joins in much
love to all the dear ones. Take care

The children send
you smst. kisses
and Dottie was
pleased with school.
You wrote about the
Miss Gaylie note.
Dottie's visit she
expected to be in
Chicago in July
and would come
and see her. Jack
and you all his
Mr. Logie. try get
much I love the old
furniture.

My smst Sister:-

I picture you sitting
on the beach, while the children
are having the time of their lives
digging in the sand. How I wish
I were with you. For several days I
have felt so sick, my stomach all
upset. We have had such intense

Dr. Webster was married last evening &
will send you the price about it. Mr. Moore
invited but did not go for did not
even have the price of a present for him.
It was a small affair and I would have
liked to have gone. Have not heard from
Alice in ages. I sent her a little birthday
gift - hope she received it. I sent
Daddy some powder for his back.
I really hope they helped him. I am
anxious to know how he is. It is so

hot - muggy, and my room is so
hot - that the heat is what makes
me so sick. I long for a room with
at least two windows. Today is a
little cooler, and I hope will remain
so. You must have been glad to
get away from all the excitement
of Commencement - and I hope
you are comfortable and all well.
I wish we could go even over to
Packard. I received a sweet letter
from Mrs Packard this morning
wanting us to come over.

Worm I suppose for Mamma
to write. Last Friday was the
"Horse Show" at the South Shore
Country Club. Cousin Mary and
Mr Campbell took Lucy Stoddard
and myself, and we spent the
afternoon and evening there. It
was an awful hot day, and
Cousin Mary is so sad and half
sick that Lucy and I did not
have an exciting time. We miss
our machine so, Jack has it all
apart and we cannot use it
for six months at least. And
all his spare time he works on

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it, so I have not been anywhere
with Jack in months. Deanie,
the coat you sent Dot, fits her
to a "T." All I had to do was
make it shorter and it looks
so pretty on her, and was just
what I was going to make for her,
when I got the price. So you
see you are a mind reader and
a dear, sweet sister to help me
out so much. Tell Louise and Royce
with sweet kisses that Dottie and
Bubie were delighted with the pretty
things they sent, and that Dot. will
write to Louise soon. You did

clothes all the time. she out-grows them so fast.
You see she cannot take exercise like
other children and that is why she is so
fat. Write me soon and tell me how
you like your summer place. With love
for to you and dear Ben and twice for
the children. Ever your own loving
Agnes

Tell Ben he would do just fine, no one
better would suit. But I am afraid
of his little half. Oh! you gay girl!

not say why Will changed his
plans about going to Shasta. Are
they going to spend the summer
in Buffalo. And what are Doug's
family going to do this summer?
Did Alice and Doug visit you
before you left? There is nothing
exciting for me to write about. I
spend my time sewing and making.
The lady next door lends me
so many dandy books. The
children are well. Did I tell you
Dottie weighs 118 lb. It makes
my heart sick to hear her so fat.
I am kept busy changing her