

Brooklyn N.Y.

December 4, 1878

Dear Boy -

Yours of the 28th unanswered because Julia and I went "shopping for Christmas" yesterday and did not return from N.Y. until dark. We took Julia and went in the 6th Ave - elevated R.R. - it was fine - we enjoyed it - we dined frugally at the Vienna Restaurant next to Stewarts. Having no money to spend was a slight drawback to my satisfaction. It was the first time I'd been to N.Y. Mother is much better - the nurse she has now is an elderly person very quiet a sort of "waiting woman" - she don't eat in the kitchen - she waits Mother as well as I expect her to be suited - but she has no authority over Mother -

Father is very well - and enjoys the Grand
children - Deanie and Celeste are well.
Our children are well - Pam is very
much pleased with his pills and
is only too eager to take them - Avery
is lively and determined - if he wakes
up in the night I have to let him hold
my hand and kiss him - he loves me
lots at all unseasonable - reasonable
hours - Emma says she sends her love
so does Dudu. You'd have died if
you'd seen her at the Ferry yesterday
Julia held her hand, we ran for the
boat and Julia's got through the gate
two men pushed me aside and the
gate was slammed leaving me on
the outside - I instantly heard a yell
oh! Mamma! and there was Dudu with
her arm waving wildly in the air, crying

and her face a sight - of course everyone
laughed and the galeira comforted her
by letting her back to me - so India
lost her boat.

I am glad you saw
Mrs Baird - but I do not approve of
your walking so far and if you have
any regards for me you will not take
anymore long walks as I decidedly
disapprove of them in your case and
I want you to be strong and well
so that you will be able to do your
share when I return - which I want
if you don't mind me - but I will
depart with the first nice party that
invites me. About "Scorpini" - I'm glad
there is no assessment so you won't
have to sell to raise the money -
All this evening there has been a large
fire down towards the South Long -

I must "go bed" - I often have two and three children in bed with me -

So far we have had no cold weather but the Probabilities say the cold wave is coming tonight - therefore I will go to bed and be prepared for it -

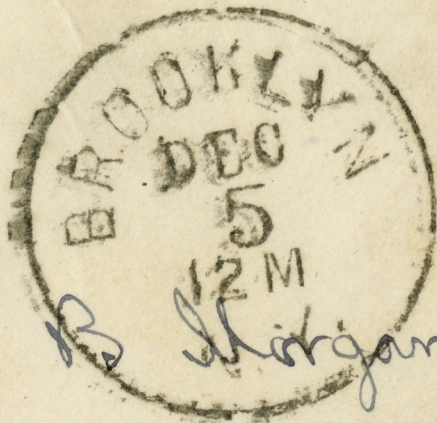
Father asked Pam this morning "if the boys at his school knew much? Pam said "they know very little of Astronomy and Natural Philosophy" - "if you want to know more about them I'll bring you some books and you can read all about 'em" -

His conceit is frightful - Hoping that you are making your fortune and behaving like a good Boy - I am

Yours
Sincerely

19 Recd Dec 13/78

Ans'd " " "



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