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Somerville May 9th
1873

My dear George. I was going
to write yesterday but by the
tenor of Agnes letter I concluded
you were to be here your own dear
self - but you didn't come & I was
so sorry. I don't believe you went
to Boston without looking at
Somerville - no forgiveness need to be
asked or expected if you did.

I do think it just abominable
not to let some of the children
come here through the vacation
It would have given them & us
so much pleasure. Their vacation
took me by surprise or I should
have issued early cards of invitation
Agnes letter to Cael the first of the
week gave me the first intimation
I sent it home to Cael & penciled over

the top that she had better write a special note of invitation & get it into the 4 o'clock mail. When I got home she said she had done so, but for the life of her she couldn't see where the hitch was & why they didn't come - I said I supposed Ann prevented she said Ann wrote over the top of Agnes letter that she wanted a special note of invitation written for them all to come but the baby. I screamed & laughed till I cried. I hope it was a legal subject for laughter. Cael laughed & looked solemn by turns when she found the pencil was mine. She said I was always getting her into scrapes - surely there was no plot or malice on my part - but I maintain great stupidity on her part. If you think proper to speak on so delicate a matter what should say. When Agnes letter came yesterday saying she was not coming at all we were thoroughly vexed - it is too bad.

I owe her & Lyson both letters & have
some things to send Harry. I never
seem to have any leisure only
when the drawing teacher is here
& you always get that time - it don't
^{do} to slight you or abate attentions for
the next generation. I depended
upon Agnes going to the Bazaar
they say it is the finest & most
picturesque Fair ever held in Boston.
Without her we shall probably never
go - I had prepared for two of my
girls to come & visit her & we were
preparing that it should be a real
gala time for her - it is too bad &
I won't ever forgive you if you ask
me. Mr. Lincoln says Mr. Hunt
will never get the position he
is aiming for. he is always
visionary in his schemes. I don't
blame him for trying to get out
of school - were I a man I wouldn't
keep another day. Mr. Fenap is just
restored to the schoolboard for which I am
very glad as he would be very good
to me if I needed goodness.

Thank fortune I have no favors
to ask at present. I depend upon
seeing you soon. Our Public
Library has been opened since
the first of the month, but we
have not visited it yet - the sewing
to be done for a woman keeps
her from enjoyment. & I am
most bare with all my efforts -
another year school will be easier
as I shall have been through my
whole course.

The drawing teacher has
gone good by.
Lydia