



Boston May 1st /54

My Dear Aunt

We have enjoyed a lovely May day every thing seemed rejoicing through the day but now all is hushed in the shadow of night. I have retired to my room for the night but as it is not very late I will make an effort to write you a few lines as I promised to write to you the first one after I came hear. I dont know what you think of me for neglecting it so long I have put it off untill next week and next week untill I was almost ashamed of it. But the old saying is better late than never. It was not because I did not think of you

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Description: Letter to Sarah Tarbox Greenleaf from niece Sarah

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confess it pure negligence. While I was in Roxbury I could
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a decent letter and since I have come to Boston my time
and mind have been well engaged the most of the time.
I presume you have heard I had changed my situation recently
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doors from them we run back and forward bare headed at
any time I have just returned from there we often wish
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like former times when we used to attend school to you
but we are separated now and I expect my Westport friends
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