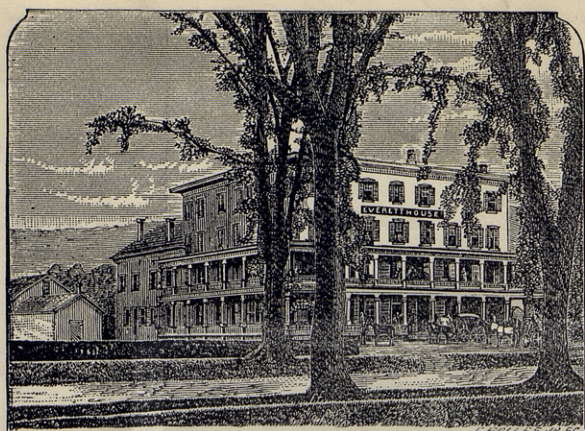




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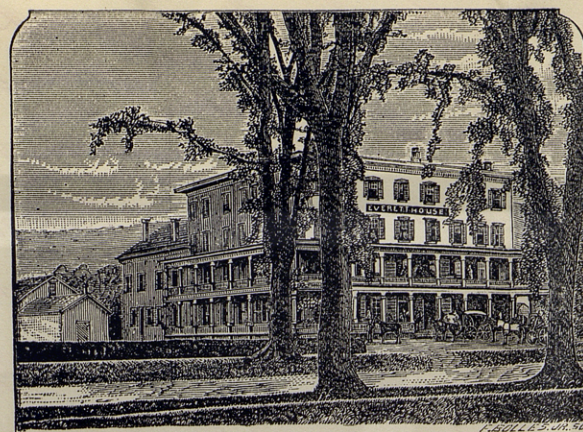
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Deerfield, Mass., Oct 3rd 1881
1.30 P.M.

Dear Anna

I will answer your letter, knowing how much pleasure you receive from hearing the real. These letters came this morning from home - your father - Emmet your son, and I felt much gratified with the attention. We had a regular rainy Sunday, did not go out to church, passed the day quietly & pleasantly with Linnie, she sticks close to me, and we do not spend much time apart. Gussie is as much of an invalid as ever, and the most notice of her is at meals. We are just through dinner, and at 3 P.M. Linn & I, the two Willies & Birdie go to drive the ponies and Linnie holds the reins. It is a glorious day, and as there will be no dust the ride will be charming. This is the anniversary of my wedding day, I had just about reached Ben Warren at this time 38 years ago, a bride of 20 summers; and many pages in the book of every day life have been turned since then, some bright, and others dark, vivid & clouded, and today rays of sun-light cast their cheering rays. I never had a better time anywhere. I have a pleasant room nearly opposite Linnie, and it has often been after mid night before we separate, she has a bedroom & parlor, with Franklin stove in case it so cold (we have had fire once) we have our Gingham ale about 10 P.M.

and we read knit and talk. Lizzie is splendid company and I am just maturing in ease & luxury, and yet I would not give my quiet home, and plain meals for all of that life. I do not feel one fear of seeing Lizzie. The children are spoiled with our indulgence but understand that must not expect that fare, and both Willie and Birdie are very anxious to go to Brooklyn. I think they behave better than I ever knew them to. Lizzie seems to be trying to draw them mind her, and she has such an excellent sensible nurse I think her influence is excellent. Mary is not trouble and a sweet boy. Willie & Birdie are making great reckonings on Cassin Anna taking them to see the sights. Lizzie sends a great deal of love and has just directed me to say to Emma "her decision is irrevocable," and she has good & just reasons. She has decided to return on the 20th a week from next Thursday, and I will return a couple of days before her, and she will telegraph what day I will come, if there should be any different plans I will let you know. I would rather come home first, and expect to leave her on Tuesday the 18th which will give me two full days, if I can get away so much will come, but Lizzie has been so kind I want to please her, while at the same time I am enjoying every moment. I think Messrs Green & Burdick have been unmerciful in their attentions, has Billy won your heart? and lost his own! What about Edith & her "mask"? I am afraid George will be disconsolate after the separation comes. Can't you keep Edith till I come? I want so much to see her before she leaves us. I am sorry I lost so much of her society, but I know you have had a good time together, and I hope she has had a happy visit. I wish we could have had Jennie (if she does come) while Edith



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was with us. Have you heard from Jennie since Emma answered her letter. Of course she could not have come under any circumstances while the hot weather continued, and we must in some way manage to put off her coming till after Lizzie leaves. I think she expects to get home the 1st of December. I am anxious to know whether any further word has been rec'd from Dick, I have it as yet but for a letter yet, but I know Emma will settle all that with Josie and I do not want to do any thing to make a breach with Jennie and yet we certainly would not take any responsibility. I am glad you met Helen and sorry she has had so much trouble with her tooth, and delighted Ellen & Ethel has been so successful. I often look in upon you in fancy, and if I could just drop in and have a chat would enjoy it. Give love to the friends next door, and to Ella Crane when you see her. I have thought of Edith & yourself on Sundays and wondered where you were attending church. Am so pleased you were so thoughtful as to request prayers for George's safety. ~~Dear~~ child he was a universal favorite here, and the lady who attends in the Post office, asked if I was the

Aunt that Georgie tutted so much about and who
he loved so much, said he was always talking of his
Aunt Maggie. You forget to put the article enclosed for
Lurie's benefit - please forward it in your next and tell me
all the news. Now are the Hunts, has John & his family come
to Brooklyn. I am getting fat - and feel very well. I suppose
it was Mary's sister who opened the inducement for her to go
to New York, in many ways I am sorry she left us this winter
but I have tried not to worry over it. I would not have Mary
come before next week if you think you can get along
without her, think she had better wait till she will be
really needed so as not to be away from home longer than
necessary, but I feel we will get along right with her.
Don't you wonder how I get along with my hair dressing, well
I braid & put them on, and Lurie puts the crimps on, and
straightens me up generally. Every body dresses plainly here
and my wardrobe answers all purposes. Lurie has elegant
clothes but she does not wear them, she is so sensible. It is
almost time to ride so I must close, I don't think my writing
is very pretty but I am hurrying. am pressed for time. Give
love to your Father if you see him, will write again the
last of the week which will probably be my last letter
till like Paddy I bring the next one myself -

Love to Emma you did not tell me whether you
had done any preserving - is it to be a surprise? the rubber
for the pint jar and a new cover for a large one are in the fruit
stand in the front basement partly rolled in a paper.



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