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Roxbury, Nov. 5, 1878.

My dear Fanny:

Your postal card, just received, is both gratifying and demonstrative evidence that you have well-nigh recovered from your illness. By the same mail, Georgina received a letter from Mrs. Jameson, stating that she had just called upon you, and found you looking better than she had expected, though your face continued somewhat swollen. You will be fortunate indeed if no permanent marks of that loathsome disease shall be stamped upon your features. Your sufferings at times must have been extremely hard to bear. I am still curious to know whether your Farrytown poisoning had anything to do with the case.

I am sorry to hear of Emma's condition. She being disabled, I fear you will be doing too much in regard to household affairs.

Last evening was the opening gathering for the season of the Women's Club. It was made the occasion of a special ovation to Lucy Stone on the completion of her sixtieth year. She looked apparently as fresh and blooming as she did twenty years ago. The attendance was the largest I have ever seen in the rooms, crowding them to repletion. Abby May presided, and presented a beautiful gold watch and a well-filled purse to Lucy, in behalf of the Club, accompanied with a felicitous recognition of the valuable ^{services} rendered by the recipient to the cause of the Southern bondmen, and especially of the elevation and enfranchisement of womanhood universally. Lucy responded very modestly, and in her sweetest manner, giving some interesting reminiscences of her early years, and showing how, when almost a child, her mind became powerfully affected by the inferiority assigned to her sex. Poems were read in honor of Lucy by Miss Goddard, Miss Sprague, and Mrs. Sewall, and

congratulatory remarks made by Mr. Sewall, myself, and others, and there was also some excellent singing. Mrs. Chase and Mary were present from Valley Falls - Mr. and Mrs. Pitman and Hattie from Somerville - and Mrs. Ednah D. Cheney and her daughter who have recently returned from Europe, and were most warmly welcomed by all present. I believe the Club has now some two hundred members.

This evening Frank is to take tea with Mrs. Kate Gannett Wells, by invitation to meet the Chases and others at her house.

This afternoon I think of going to Cambridgeport. It is Elizabeth's fourth birth-day. Will she not caper when she sees "Gar-Gar"? For I presume her mother has told her that I might come out to make her a little visit.

My catarrhal cold continues somewhat troublesome. My nights are much broken.

Am glad Harry is going to Dean Stanley's reception this evening. Should like to be there.

Our coldest day. Your loving Father.

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