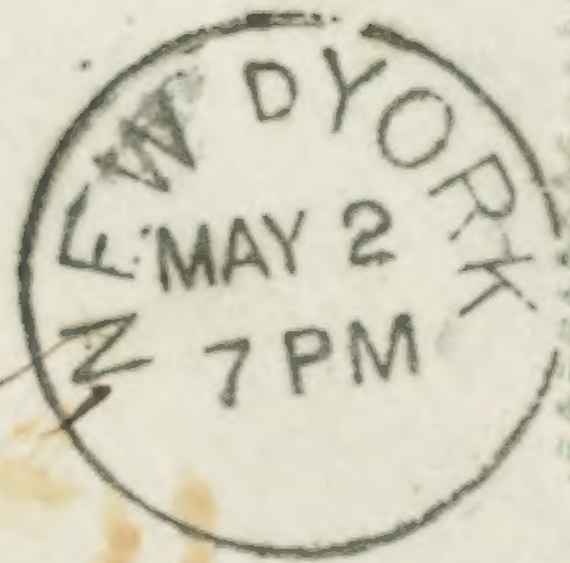


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Westmoreland House,  
New York, May 2, 1878.

My Dear Frank:

The monotony of the journey from Boston to New York, yesterday, was much relieved by the social intercourse I had with Mr. Rogers, of Worcester, a nephew of Dr. Rogers, who now keeps a Water Cure establishment in Florida. I learned from him that he was of Quaker stock; that his wife was a daughter of my deceased Quaker friend Edward Earle; that he had three children, whose photographs he had with him; that he was an officer in Col. Higginson's colored regiment in South

Carolina; and that, from a boy of ten years old, he had been used to attending anti-slavery meetings, having been present at the annual meeting of the American A. S. Society in the Broadway Tabernacle in this city, when Isaiab Rynders and his ruffian gang attempted to control the proceedings - Rynders springing to my side while I was speaking, and threatening to knock me or any other man down who should undertake to disparage the U. S. Constitution, and who was so successfully ridiculed by Frederick Douglass and Samuel R. Ward. Mr. Rogers related various reminiscences and anecdotes in connection with his residence in South Carolina and the colored regiments. Like George, he was fortunate in not receiving a wound or injuring his health.

Notwithstanding an entire week of  
raining and foggy weather, the ride from  
New Haven to New York was annoyingly  
dusty, particularly as we were in the last  
car. We arrived exactly on time - a  
quarter before 6. In spite of my prohi-  
bition, Wendell was on hand to escort  
me to this house, where I found Harry,  
Fanny, and the children waiting to give  
me a hearty greeting. After supper Wen-  
dell went on his way to Orange. Helen  
showed me with much satisfaction some  
daisies that she had very creditably paint-  
ed for me, and put into a neat little frame,  
which I shall take with me to Rockledge.

I was surprised to learn from Harry  
that the trip to Europe (on account of his  
business affairs) would have to be de-  
ferred till June; and he seriously

proposes that I should accompany  
Fanny and the children to the Eng-  
lish Lakes, (leaving on the 16th inst.)  
and there remain until he can join  
us! Of course, it is utterly out of the  
question. I think it is somewhat  
doubtful whether they go at all.

This evening Fanny is to have  
her great musical party. Wendell,  
unfortunately, cannot be with us.  
He has taken Harold and Oswald  
along with him to Orange, to re-  
main till to-morrow.

I trust you had a pleasant  
evening at William's, with Miss  
Willard.

To-day the weather is warm  
and sultry.

I shall return home some-  
what sooner than I expected.

Your loving Father