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Dear Howard,

I was very surprised indeed last Monday evening to hear that a friend wanted to see me + more surprised still to find that the friend was Mrs. Mae. On Tuesday I went to lunch with them in Allie's rooms but as my spare time

is extremely limited I saw
nothing more of them - in fact
Mrs. Mac. went on to town on
Tuesday aft. to the May

meeting. She told me
that Elsie looked very poorly
indeed + seemed very glad
to have got her away to Scotland
safely. I am very glad
to hear that she won't come to

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them again till they are in
the Lakes though I wish she
could have had a still longer
~~stay perfectly away from the
Lakes~~

On Thursday allie + I tried
once more to get some Lewis
but again met with our usual
luck - a glorious thunderstorm.
He is reading very hard rather
too hard I think but it will
soon be over now.

At the present moment the
"rights" are on : Peter has gone
down one, will probably go
down another before the end.

My connection with the place is
practically severed now, save to
a rowing-man of profession, even
the "rights" fall after three or four
years.

However it is very nice
indeed for the relations & the river
looks very pretty.

Did I tell
you Julie Chen was coming up here to read
in the vac. so I shall not be alone.

Yours
W.S.