

Boston, Mass.
415. Beacon St.

Dear Mamma,

I came down here
this morning, & met Sally.
Lucy & I have been shopping all
day & I have been round to every
store for patterns & I send you one
or two. Met Mrs. Frank Russell
in town & she was very anxious
for me to come & visit Mamie.

She says I can come any time &
stay as long as I like. I shall
go for a few days, & when do you
think would be the best time?

I would give any thing for if
I had worn my Winter suit & I
must have it, for every one in
Boston wears Winter things now.

& my Winter suit is much
better looking than any ^{of my} other &
now how can you get it to me?²
My green dress, coat, & green hat I
must have next week, & could
they be sent by express or how?²

I am delighted at the idea of
going to Mamma's. They live just
out of Boston. Fire. main. side. & we
shall have glorious fun. I don't
know whether I shall go next
week or week after next. Aunt Emma's
boarders are going to stay a week
longer or so, & I think I may go
out to Auntie Letta's next Sat. to
spend Sunday & then from there
go to Mamma's on Mon. Oct. 24.
What do you think of that?²

Shall I take my trunk?²

I am spending to-night with
Susan's sister Mrs. Read. It is the

most elegant house I ever have
been in, & our dinner at six was
exquisitely delicious. Its a lark
staying here.

I think I can get the plain part
of my dress for 75 cts. a yd. & I shall
get some striped goods to trim
with. Stripes are very fashionable.

I would like a little more
money before I go to Manila
for I may have some unforeseen
expenses.

The patterns I send from London
are the prettiest I saw excepting
one striped piece at Hoyg. B. & Co.
& I don't remember the price of
that, ^{but its within my means} ~~but~~ send a scrap of it
& do you think it would be pretty?
I like it very much & I could
get a plain goods to match
the dark shade in it.

Please send me a letter Mon.
telling how you like the patterns
how you are going ^{to send} my suit,
&c. Mrs. Russell said Marnie
was going to write for me to
come & visit her. I'll be a good
hand to help me about buying
my dress & I shall not get it
until I go there. When do you
think I'd better go there. &c.

In haste & with love

Maud.

I never was having such fun
before.