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My sweet Maimie/

How does your dear little self do this blessed bright morning- very well & happy I trust -- & I hope to hear in your letter of to-morrow that your good mother and all the rest of the family are on their "pins" again (to use a classic phrase) -- I have been reading (on Sunday last) such an interesting & beautifully written series of sermons or rather religious astronomical discourses -- showing to our belittled imagination a few of the glories of God['s] universe & the majesty of Him who could create sustain & control all the vast & completed work of the heavens. I shall send it down to you & you can let me have it when I see you as it belongs to the library -- it is not I think the book you asked for when you last wrote -- not the same subject.

I enclose you such a funny Telegraph I received this morning from my good friend Scharff -- you see these silly newspapers give a great deal of trouble to me -- I answered him that it was all 'humbug' -- I went around last night & had a nice long game of chess with Mr. Appleton -- it has however been so long since I last played that I was beaten tho' my game was tolerably creditable under the circumstances -- this is one of the beauties of chess -- I hope Maimie that you will learn it when you have time as it is a great favorite of mine & I shall often want to have a game with you -- it is essentially a lovers game as it is so exclusive requiring two & admitting no more & requiring those two a long time & between the moves affording much occasion to study thought & feature of your adversary -- I have not seen any of your grandmothers family since I wrote yesterday.

Goodbye darling -- write me a good long letter to morrow & believe me my sweetest girl your ever affectionate

"Nameless"



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To J. Buchanan Henry

Yesterday I heard you
had been out in a storm- our
Boat lost- you missing- regular
letter not received- answer

C.H. Scharff

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