

Scutari. Asia.
Aug 28th 1881.

My dearest little Mother,

I arrived here
night before last. Carrie Byington &
I came together from Samsobor, & a
very weary journey we had. I was ill
almost all the way, but kept up
till the night we drove at Adrianople
when I was taken down pretty se-
verely with vomiting & diarrhoea or
how is it spelled? I was so weak
that I could hardly dress to leave Ad-
rianople, but I could not stay there
either, so managed to get on the car
where I laid most of the time for
thirteen hours, except when I was
occupying myself with the latter
of my night's accomplishments. We
reached here about as tired & sick
as any two girls could well be, & I be-

you taking brandy as soon as I got into the house, for I was so weak & tired that I could hardly get up stairs. Yesterday I was sick all day, so that I spent the whole day on the sofa, & today as I began to be worse took a dose of cholera medicine which seem to be doing me good. I am still taking brandy for my extreme lack of strength & hope to be better soon. I have not altogether lost my desire for food, but live mostly on rice, & beef. Every one is so kind to me. I am just now at Dr E. E. Bliss's father's house. Yesterday Dr J. G. Bliss and wife, Dr Wood & wife, Mrs Byington & Lizzie, Mrs Shunder, & Misses Lorraine & Laura called on me, or rather Misses Lorraine came to dinner. All of the friends are very cordial, & tell me I have grown old & thin. Do you take brandy as soon as I got into the house, for I was so weak & tired that I could hardly get up stairs. Yesterday I was sick all day, so that I spent the whole day on the sofa, & today as I began to be worse took a dose of cholera medicine which seem to be doing me good. I am still taking brandy for my extreme lack of strength & hope to be better soon. I have not altogether lost my desire for food, but live mostly on rice, & beef. Every one is so kind to me. I am just now at Dr E. E. Bliss's father's house. Yesterday Dr J. G. Bliss and wife, Dr Wood & wife, Mrs Byington & Lizzie, Mrs Shunder, & Misses Lorraine & Laura called on me, or rather Misses Lorraine came to dinner. All of the friends are very cordial, & tell me I have grown old & thin. Do

not be worried about the thine, for it is only my care & anxiety this summer, that have made me both sick & weak. I expect to recover very soon from ^{these} ^{troubles}, & and not sick this afternoon except a little back ache, & a little headache, & of course I am very weak from my illness of the past days. I don't expect to move out of the house till I am perfectly able, & shall be very careful all summer, as I have come here to get strength for the winter. I want to be a blessing to both William, and the babies, their mother, & I am praying the Lord to teach me how to be cheerful & helpful. I am very happy in my decision to stay another year; & I long to see you all.

Monday 29th. 9 P.M. I believe I should
not send these first three pages
to you my little Mother, only that
it is so sweet to have your squ
Joathy, for I am so well today
that I have made two calls, & have
been up a good part of the day.
It is really wonderful how much better
I am, tonight than I have been for
several weeks - I suppose because
I am beginning to get rested. There
was to a dress maker today, to get
my lawn dress - that Jenny sent me
last summer - made, & see going
to have other sewing done also. My
stock of undergarments is so
low that I cannot make even the
visit in respectability. I cannot
get ready made clothes & at least
now cannot do it myself. I am
using William's money now, & hope

Father can send me some more.
Dr Bliss is one of the loveliest gentlemen
that I ever met; he is not in good
health at all, this summer, but
still he is better than he was in
the winter, & spring. Did you know that
Dr & Mrs Bliss were in Syria this
spring? They went for a change for
the summer, & it proved to be some
benefit to him. Only think while
I was writing this Dr Bliss came
& kissed me good night. & Belle
said she never knew him to do
it before ^{to any of the girls}. I am so flattered that
I can hardly write about it, for
I am delighted beyond measure
to think that he should think
enough of me to do it. Don't
you feel proud, little Mother,
to think that I have met with
such favor? & he kissed me when

I came. I hope you will see
both him & Mrs Bliss some time
in America. Did I ever tell you
that Dr Bliss adopted me as
his daughter, more than a
year ago? He sends messages
to tell me through Belle call-
ing me his "youngest daughter"
& they are my Turkish parents.
Dear gray haired couple they are,
& are so kind to me. Don't you
want to write a note for me
~~Much love to all at home.~~
me to give them, from you,
while I am here. I should like
it ever so much, if you would.
Much love to all at home, &
especially to you & father, who
are far dearer to me than the
loved ones. Affectionately yr d^r
Caroline Mulla.



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