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Please do remember me very kindly to Miss Clough!

My dear Betty
I want to send you my good wishes
in time for the beginning of your
wedding, and hope that you are feeling
at least half as confident as myself
with regard to its results. I shall
think of you dearly all the week
starting from Monday I am
looking forward very much to hearing
the result. I hope you will inform
me as soon as possible.

You will have your choice of brides
maids I dare say, and select the
best creditable characters, excepting
perhaps Miss Thalleson from that
category, though I hear she has turned

quite into a romp and scandalises
Miss Langbr by exposing her woman's
head on ropes.

Thank you very much for your
late effusions! They were highly
delectable, and I am so glad to hear
that you are in good health and spirits.
The touches of humility in your other-
wise spirited epistle were particularly
by edifying. If they had not come
from such an honest little doctrinaire
as yourself, I should have taken
them for cant and trash. But I believe
that in your heart of hearts you are
actually desiring to hark back to a modest
opinion of yourself, and let us
pray that the examination may not
upset it too much!
I hope you will manage to come

and see me at the college some time
before my vacations begin, which is
in the 19th of Dec. I shall probably
leave for Germany on the 20th or 21st.
It is great fun to receive visitors
in my room here, and if you do
not mind visiting a little, I am
always sure of being in during the
intervals of lectures. I can also hear
you to some very first-rate songs
and milk, if so it please your
honour. However I give a lesson
now myself every day from 12.25
to 1.25 on Mondays, Wednesdays,
Thursdays and ~~Saturdays~~ ^{Saturdays}, and from 2.50
to 3.50 on Tuesdays and Fridays.
I teach the B. A. in Engl. Literature,
which is rather congenial work, and

occasionally I take an extra class to test
the work in the Preparatory Department.
On the whole I like the position and
the nature of its functions very much,
better than I expected, and certainly
better than anything in the ordinary line
would have suited me.

I wonder on what course of action you
will decide after Texas, and hope that
whatever you choose, you will not
choose from a sense of duty alone, but
consult your inclination also —
one is always sure to do best in the
sphere that one feels a natural voca-
tion for. — I am afraid I must
take leave of you with this wise
precept as a parting admonition, as
I am very busy to night. — I prepare a
Henry IV to look over and discuss in
class to-morrow — I could never have

believed of English girls before
 that they perpetrated such gross
 crimes against logic, grammar
 and spelling as they actually
 do — before they have been
 to Loxborough - hall!

It is too bad of you, that
 you will not deliver my
 messages. I do particularly
 want to be kindly remem-
 bered to Blanche Smith and
 that wild young Irish-woman
 Miss Martin. I wonder if
 she gets on imbibing Scotch
 whiskey as she used to.
 I have any smoking pipes

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are in the origin cells.

I am sure a grand party is
going to be given in your
honour either by yourself
or friends as an overture
or perhaps as a finale to
your performances.

If you get a second class
or a first, I promise to
dedicate my M. S. on
Newham - hall to you, and
bring it over after I was
how good - bye in good earnest
You learned and improved
of your own making! With
much love and a kiss, and a
1000 good wishes - Yours affly