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## Correspondence to M. Rebecca Boggs, dates unknown

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*Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barrett*  
request the honour of  
your presence at the marriage of their daughter  
on the evening of Wednesday, the fourth of December  
at half after eight o'clock  
at Three hundred and forty seven Broad Street  
Augusta, Georgia

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*Mr. Harriss Henry D'Antignac, junior*

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*Miss Bertha Miller Barrett*

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Miss Rebecca Poff

noting of -  
Famella is still with  
us. we have had a bad  
spell of weather & she  
like the rest of us has  
aches & pains. but  
we are all in very good  
condition all things  
considered

Her other family are  
well. but not find  
friends since were  
quite disappointed  
to find it wasn't Miss  
Keeca. you had the  
enquiries when you  
were here. Hope you

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Famella  
just received it  
relieves us a good  
deal. Saw that  
the Sahn was in  
just a day or two  
after I got your last  
letter from Napier  
Pence said she  
would write you

at once - but had  
no address. my dad  
I have Mrs Fogg's  
Samella said she  
thought you would  
hope to go to Augusta  
to probate the will  
as it was made there  
& the witnesses were  
all there. so I am  
glad to see that you  
will not have to take  
that extra journey  
Yes, my dear Peck  
I could only say well

the Lord knows you  
have been compassed  
& afflicted - but  
remember dear  
that Fanny is at  
last - pronounced to  
be more suffering, no  
more cases, no more  
grievous for her - she  
is with her Saviour  
Who is compassionate  
& merciful - & Who  
knows all the hidden  
trials, & struggles that  
we her poor knew

The latter has sent to Secty-  
Root, writing him the particulars,  
and of his relationship, so  
I am hoping when the facts  
are known, the government will  
take action in the matter. It  
was so dreadful, so horrible - I  
cannot realize it, and am  
thinking constantly of how  
he must have suffered - Such  
a fine noble man, to be so  
cruelly treated, by those wretched  
creatures. It is all so mysterious.  
I have been trying to feel, how  
our poor father, takes this.  
He is so reserved, so self reliant

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Thursday Jan 16<sup>th</sup>

My dear Rebecca,  
I want to  
thank you for the pretty  
little handkerchiefs, you  
sent me - They are lovely, and  
I am always glad of the  
useful little articles.

You did not  
write me about your trip to  
Norfolk, but I presume it was  
altogether a delightful experience -  
Arthur has  
had a letter from Bessie,  
enclosing two from Maria

that it is hard to know, what one can do for him -  
Bessie says he is bron, and Miss L. has up - Titty  
telegraphed, and offered to go to him, but he thought  
it not necessary, I suppose, he is better just with his  
own around them - Bessie is I think, a very sweet  
woman, and helpful too, he will find much comfort  
in her - but he must suffer terribly -

I have not been as well  
as I was, when you saw me - I came back with a fearful  
appetite, and indulged too much, in the things I  
had been debarred from, consequently, I was not well -

Nothing serious, only an attack of indigestion, and I  
found it necessary to be guarded in what I eat - The  
very thought of an attack, like I had, keeps me in  
order - and especially in the way of "meats" - My princi-  
pal meal is lunch, and a very light dinner -

We have been having  
some very cool weather - yesterday, I had to put on winter  
clothes, and a map when I go out - but it is already  
turning warmer - The cool weather the result of a storm  
on the coast of Fla, which brought on a very high sea,  
and 'norther', as they call it - here - The rains were



Relief is all organized here. At  
a time like on here had, which  
is seldom, the whole force of  
firemen turn out to assist in  
saving property - and thus there  
from men are victims. The  
City is now inundated, only the  
one <sup>street</sup> ~~street~~ -  
on, chiefly on the ocean - some-  
times the water, getting into the  
basement, as it was in our case -

Archie is much  
better - I think I told you he  
was not well on my return -  
but he has improved - is now  
taking more exercise - rides  
horseback, and plays tennis, after  
office ~~hours~~ <sup>hours</sup> and goes to the ~~tried~~ <sup>tried</sup> ~~tried~~  
but

enormous, and the whole Malacca <sup>1897</sup>  
(the area by the sea), flooded - No  
one house is opening on the water,  
we had an extensive view - It  
was grand - I never saw any-  
thing more magnificent - and  
as the spray would rise, we  
could see lovely rainbows.

The waves gathered and tum-  
bled all day, and occasional-  
ly, a beautiful rainbow, would  
span the heavens - Some people  
had to lean their houses, right  
on the edge of the water - and  
his printer was drowned, while  
trying to see the lives of an old  
couple, who were cut off from land

I suppose you will be going South, this Spring - I am  
thinking of taking a trip home myself, but am not  
sure that I can - I am hoping, that Elona, will come  
down for a short time, and if so will go back with her  
but she & Lewis, are so interested in their little houses  
that I do not know, if she will come -

It is very quiet here  
now, different from last winter, scarcely any <sup>travellers</sup> ~~travellers~~,  
I suppose on account of the stringency in money - I see  
Georgie Platt, and her daughter frequently - Lizzy  
is such a fine young woman, and I like her so much -  
Georgia has not been well - Willis' wife is very pretty - &

has a fine little girl - She is not quite two years old - It is <sup>very</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>strange</sup> that  
she speaks English to the family, and runs right off, and talks  
to her nurse in Spanish - It is wonderful, how these little  
people pick up a language -

I hope you are feeling better, and  
will be able to go South - Augusta is much changed, many  
old friends will be missed - Frank Miller is gone, and  
poor Julia alone - they have been a happy successful  
couple, and have lived a long time together -

With love from Archie &  
me  
Your affectionate sister  
Paula -

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230PM

Miss M B Boggs  
2914 Broadway  
New York  
N. Y.

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May 2<sup>nd</sup>

ONE EAST TWENTY-NINTH STREET.

Dear Miss Bopp:-

I don't want to intrude,  
by any thought of mine, upon your  
plans, but it occurred to me today,  
when the suggestion <sup>came</sup> of a nomination  
by Mrs. Thompkins of you to fill the  
room she endowed for your sister,  
that it would be well to ask you  
if you had thought that you might  
want to relinquish a busy life, so  
far as continued daily activity is  
concerned, and occupy, when you  
liked, the room your sister had  
in Sh. Index. I don't understand

that this would carry with it the idea  
that you should be there all through the  
year unless you preferred to do so.

I write to you about it because  
I am quite sure that Mrs. Zabriskie  
would have pleasure in offering  
it to you if you desired it, and I  
am quite sure that you will under-  
stand my motive, and will not deem  
me intentionally intrusive.

I remain very truly yours,

G. C. Houghton  
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