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Letter from Caroline Rogers Whitney, Belmont,
Massachusetts, to Anne Whitney, Florence, Italy,
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know, was, when you were coming home. Pray do not allow yourselves to be swallowed up in that vortex of gaiety. - The R. A. must have been brilliant on such occasions. How glad I am I had a hand in it! The suggestion of a photograph was good. I think one might be exposed satisfactorily.

We shall think of you now in Florence, where doubtless you will find work enough and shall be impatient to behold the completed statue - I may be partial but I never did have so much interest in Gov. Winthrop's as in Sam^l Adams & so do not specially admire Greenough's Statue.

Success be with you, dear Anne and Adeline too - you have love & best wishes from us all as from Carrie - good night.

Belmont, Feb. 21. 1876

My dear Anne; - You will be assured from Sarah's own pen of her convalescence, but I will add my testimony to the fact that she has been improving very rapidly since last Saturday and is more like herself today & has only to make up for lost time in the way of eating to ensure complete restoration. She took a short drive on Sat. & again this afternoon with mother & we mean she shall improve every good opportunity. The only explanation we have to offer for the use of "Cranberry Centre" is that Mr. Payson for some reason best known to himself after the purchase of the Boston estate for his daughter came to designate it by that name & so after Edward's election it was

easy to put that + that together. The
"Mentor" does seem to enjoy him-
self in his new capacity quite
well, + thus far stands the wear
+ tear much better than we feared
he would. It is as good as a
play to him to note the various
characteristics of some of the orators
who are always before the House
whenever comes up - but sometimes
it becomes wearisome to listen to
so much talk to no purpose -
He is often kept from his dinner
by prolonged Committee meetings
in the forenoon, leaving no time
for even a hasty lunch before the
session opens at 2 P.M. + though
it is ready to eat quite a substantial
meal at night - and thus far
he has borne such irregularity
without harm, but I fear it
will tell in the long run.

Mr. + Mrs. Palfrey made their
first call last Friday before
I had returned from the Facedavis
meeting for which I was sorry,
but we were pleased to know that
they did not mean to ignore us
altogether - We knew that Mrs.
Palfrey had called twice at
Mrs. Locke's + supposed that the
young heir was all-absorbing -
Sarah was not well enough to
see them, but was cheered
next day by a beautiful offering
of flowers.

To think of you + Adeline
Sat. night at the Opera! Sunday at
the Theatre! wild over the Ballet!
If you could have heard mother's
exclamation of impatience at "all
that nonsense" you might have
smiled - what she wanted to

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