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TO ARTHUR R. GLEDHILL

Gardiner, Me., Sept. 19, 1891.

Dear Friend Art. -

I believe I said something about writing to you in regard to the Harvard matter, so I will now inform you that unless something happens to prevent I shall start for that place on the 28th inst. It will be quite a change for me, but I have reason to believe that the change will not be for the worse. I need it; and that is quite a point.

The G. H. S. has opened again and the bell, much to my^a surprise, still wakes the old feeling within me. I doubt if it ever entirely disappears, and for that matter, I am not sure that I would have it do so. There is no desire to go back, as the whole place is so changed from the school as we knew it; but you will doubtless understand me - it the memory of past days brought back through the mists of three rather unsatisfactory years. What I have brought to pass since the memorable June of '88 would be a woful atom, could I see it now before my eyes. But I ca' t^b can' t see it, so I will not worry about it.

I sat down here intending to write you a letter, but the devil seems to be in my fingers and my machine is running away with me. I hope to have one more letter from you before I leave Gardiner, so if you get a chance write me one upon receiving this. I trust I may redeem myself as a correspondent when I get settled at H. - if I ever do.

^a There is a red line connecting the tops of the "m" and the "y" in the holograph.

^b WA omits this mistake.

Very truly yours,
EA^c Robinson^d

HCL

^c WA has "E. A."

^d WA omits the underline.