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My dear wife:

I have already written
once today but your letter of the
23^d has been rec'd since it was mail-
ed - I have time for but a few lines.

Your mother shall not come into
the house with you. I secured that
place for you in order that there
might be rest for your feet until
I could put you somewhere else.
Auzie has no more right to make
it uninhabitable for you than she
has to give you the small-pox. The
fact that she pays the rent monthly
gives her no claim to control it as
she gets that back in board. You
have done wrong in deceiving me
in this matter - I cannot help it
now, but think you had better be

I shall not yield. The time has
come when you must elect whether
you will be my wife or your moth-
er's slave. If you allow yourself to be
driven from the house by your moth-
er or remain there with her, —

I cannot write a threat to you. You know
my wishes. The girls may have her with
them if they choose but they have no right
to thrust her upon you. Neither can I af-
ford that you should move twice
nor can I have you absent while
I am hunting up our new home.
There is no occasion for gloom
or care but a little will power
and self-respect will help you
wonderfully. I am tired of being
driven about in this manner and here
I stop. If you pursue the same course