

... your own right in as the
many things which you, now do I but what
assigner of Matthews, as
can be done she wishes to do. You can deter-
mine the matter and she leaves it to you to do as,

I have been laid up for ~~several~~ almost
ever since I wrote you last with my old
cough - on the spinal irritation that comes
from it - and barely able to crawl out to
the den and do a little suggesting for wife
to put into shape -

Meanwhile, a creditor is after me in ~~supple-~~
mentary proceedings, thinking to bull-doze some-
thing out of me, & supposing I am going to
~~oppose the matter~~

~~The estate in the hands of~~
The estate in the hands of
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raise the question of property in ideas
pretty ~~strongly~~ squarely and I think he
will be mad enough or desperate
enough to ~~carry it up~~ having a fool
for an adviser. So I think there may
be an interesting case for you to watch
you after a time.

My article on the XVth Amendment
is to be in the Forum for March. I con-
fess I don't see how anybody is going to get
around it. Of course it makes the Amend-
ment practically useless to the colored
people and will lead I think to the calling
of constitutional conventions throughout
the South to secure the future disfranchi-
sement of the ^{colored} Negro. Such a course
will unquestionably ~~be the~~ revolution
which perhaps is the shortest way out of
the difficulty.

I don't know whether I shall be
able to get out for any lectures dur-
ing the Spring or not. The prospect is
not alluring.

I had an idea about the lectures
which I wanted to carry out; it was
unique and pleased me, but I am so
driven with what must be done that I
have neither time nor strength for
what can be avoided. I will try and
send you down a part of my
notion at least which you can
read or get some one to read to
the boys in my room.

Regards to Mrs. Wood

Yours truly

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