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1491 Orange Grove Ave Riverside

My dear Millie

It is such a long time since I heard from you that I am very anxious. I try to think "no news is good news" but it is very unsatisfactory. I should have written to you long ago, but put it off from day to day, not really from inability to do it, though I have not been quite as well as usual. It has not been a pleasant spring, too cool & cloudy. A fine season for crops of oats the papers say, for once California is green as growing grass & grain & young foliage can make it

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with much
love to you
all
I have not
seen Mrs
Gay lately
have wanted
to hear from
you before
going to see
her see me
Love
Aunt Jane

the cool shady weather is particularly favorable for insect pests, the roses are badly damaged by them. I have sent you a small box, such as they are. The last of the Oranges are being shiped now. Since Edgar is out of the business, there is no chance of sending a box. ~~as~~ now & then. I hope you have been able to get good ones. Celia Kennan has been having grippe & is quite poorly. She was rather better at last accounts & hoped to be able to come to Riverside soon. She has set 20th inst to start home & expects to go alone via C. P. Q. stoping to visit friends on the way. We think it is taking chances with the little strength she

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has. She is so dreadfully homesick that she dont improve in health as she might otherwise do.
A few lines from Eliza Kitchen yesterday told of Theron's arrival I think he expects to stay all Summer. Cards announcing Arthur Warren's Marriage came from Baltimore. It was all news to me. Do you know anything of the Bride? I will try & write to Mrs Warren very soon.
It is a year today since Edgar & Minnie left for Europe. The past year seems like a far off time of deep shadows.
Augusta Capps' health is somewhat better, but she does

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Robin's School closes the end of the month. Joe is getting on better the last half year. I hope some of you will write soon

regain strength: the Dr does not encourage her that she will do so for some time to come. Hattie is much the same. She is never strong.

You will be surprised to hear that I spent Fiesta week in Los Angeles. Mrs Conwin brother has lately come from the East to live in S.A. & she went to visit them. Mrs Cimley Dungan is spending the winter there & invited she to stay with her. (She is one of the "Beech woods" folks) It was all very new & interesting to me, but I was not in a spirit to enjoy it. It rather over-taxed my strength

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