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My dear Captain.

I write tonight on two points:-

1st. Your "girls," - or ours. It would like to make them ours. While I leave to Mrs. A. all negotiations & formalities, - I want to tell you how well they may and what a shame it will be to ever send them back to where barbarity prevails. In the case of Lydia, the Arrapahoe, it would be a loss, - for here she will continue to gain, while there she would retrograde and be likely to entirely relapse.

In the case of Julia, the Liorra, it would be a sin; she is a person of strong, spirited, high character, and keenly sensitive, - would be a marked woman among a thousand, anywhere, - and would suffer untold woes & miseries in a Liorra camp.

If these girls decide to stay East, they sh'd be allowed to do so - & I think they w'd so elect.

2nd. The American Assocn for Advancement of Science (the big thing of its kind, of the country) holds its 86th annual sessions at Columbia College, N.Y., - during the week beginning Aug. 10th. I am this year the presiding officer of the Section on "Economics and Statistics" - and am arranging to give one day to the consideration of The Indian Question - Th. - Aug. 14th.

J. B. Harrison of Phil. will lead off with a paper. Can't you join me with a short paper - 10 to 20 minutes on "The Indian as an Economic Problem" - or something of that sort? I hope you will.

It seems to me this will be an occasion
you should not miss. Even if you have not
time or inclination to make the paper - at least
come on + join in the discussion - Thursday P.m.
Do help us out - & "the cause"; - thus, - if possible!
I shall be at the Park Ave Hotel from Monday,
Aug. 8th, - thro' the week

We are all well + unite in regards.

Yours truly

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