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My dear Mr Bigelow,

Harriet has just finished reading your very welcome letter. In consequence of overwalking my head it broke down four months ago, since which time I have not been able to write or read. We came away hoping that a voyage would benefit me and that both of us would be the better for a Summer Abroad, but the voyage gave us thirteen days of discomfort in a rolling ship with but intervals of fair weather; this upset me a good deal and instead of going as we intended to Germany we remained four days in Liverpool and have been more than a fortnight in London.

Having come to the conclusion that home is the best place for an invalid we intend to embark in the Wyoming on the 2nd of August.

We only drive about the Parks, and see

nobody but the few Friends who call.
Mr Beckwith with his family have apartments adjoining ours. Mr Everts with a part of his family are expected on Saturday John Knowler, with his Sister and Sister in law are also with us. Gen Webb, with his family came on with us from Liverpool and are now in Paris. P. M. Blatchford, with Mrs Blatchford and Miss Howe have gone to Homburg

We think of going for a few days to Malvern and thence to Liverpool. The Sanfords left for America a few days before we arrived. they are to pass the Summer in Newport and the Winter in Florida.

We had hoped to see you and yours again on this side of the Atlantic but must content ourselves with anticipating that pleasure in America. Harriet joins me in affectionate remembrances of Mrs Bigelow and the girls children.

Very truly Yours

Thurlow Weeds
by H. J. W.

My Father attempted to sign his name but
as you see failed - he is very feeble and a
good deal discouraged - I dread another
voyage before he has recovered from the bad
effects of the one just over - and I fear the
warm weather ~~will~~ debilitate him - Sir Henry
Holland, has tried to convince him that he
makes a mistake - but he feels that he is
not as well and must go - Very sorry not
to see you all. but shall hope to hear