

Newburyport, Mass.
Dec. 19. 1884.

Dear Mrs. Clark:

Your note was really a great relief, for I have been delayed about the story by very severe illness in the family. I am, however, at work upon it, & will let you have it as soon as complete. I like to allow myself time to finish another, always, in case I am not satisfied with the first. I am much in debt to Mr. Matthews.

Always most cordially
Harriet P. Hopper.