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9th [illegible]
Boston July 16/66

Dear Lizzie,

Oh dear! In the first place it is so hot that our [nilts] & [melts?] under it. [my to do] make no [within] progress & Cart but not least I must to much [illegible] yours.

The time are [ixcud] ugly [unfavorable?] for getting a subscription I am a thorn and time disputed with the turinfe & [input] to be soon [times] more. I have put [4 ovis]-articles into different papers yesterday & to day _ & I support that effort will bear fruit by [illegible] but what may make [have] & to drag out here before I say - "it is dour." What a comfort it [illegible]to if I could come home to you & play with the children instead of sitting alone in this little steam-box of a room.

There is no use in grumbling.

I think it quite likely I shall by the first of any [wrt] put out to [othis].

Till nu by the way what will be a good present for Olivia & Matthew & what do you want? There is no knowing when I may start [as] [with] [me] of this at once.

Monday Morning

[The each] [wakes]
me up [last]night. I did not sleep for two hours in which I [illegible] many things.
Your uncle is in trouble in his church. It is a very difficult place to fill & if I [new] [him] should as [soon] [has] it is not. I do not [attend] any of the [commencement] this year. I am in too much of a hurry.

I think now that [I] [school] start for [Oliv]
[i] about [this much]. It is [them] [makes] to day [illegible] by [illegible]
you. Love to all. [Rifles] 

to the [same] [over]. [Thursday] 

for the dearest and of all my 

[illegible] sweet wife. 

Sidney 

I will send you a [beautiful] [fir] 

[term] of the [Collyr] in about 2 [months].