

Pondwell Jan 11. 1860

My dear Mamma,  
You will see by my  
letter to Papa that I  
am thinking of a day for  
returning, and I do not  
suppose that anything  
will occur to change it.  
There was a letter from  
Rockmullen this morning  
and Georgy seemed to be  
better, as she was at work  
with Mrs Holbrooke again.  
Charley and Georgy are  
playing Bagatelle on this  
table which does <sup>not</sup> make

it easier to write, and are  
wanting me to join them.

There is a great scarcity of  
nice books here - there are  
plenty of books, but there  
are not many readable ones.  
Has the Book-box arrived  
yet? I hear that I am  
to take of a box, and  
I have got a small packet  
for from some of the aunts,  
but it is a small affair

Francis E. Ovington.