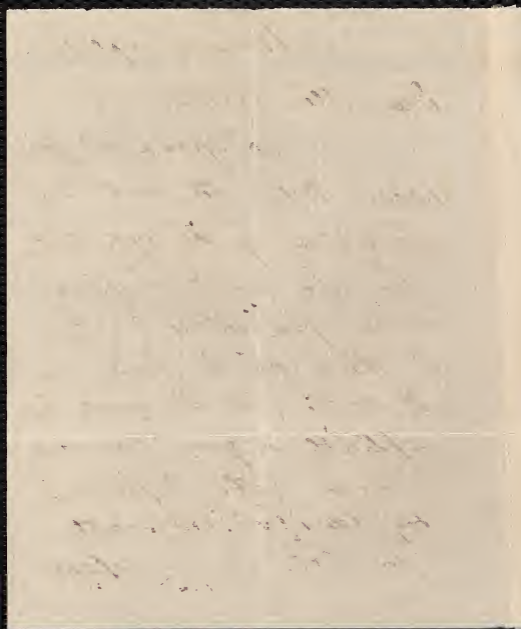


Worcester. Sept. 13.

Dear Miss Weston

To speak at fair's
appears to me the only real
martyrdom of the 19th Century,
— for who can be inspired
away from such a cause? But
I think one is bound when
it is this, & I yield in-
=placitly to your command.
I know nothing to prevent
my coming to Weymouth
on Oct. 12. — except



the possibility of my trials
occurring during the week, &
the fainter possibility of
my wife's being more ill &
requiring my attendance. If
you will take the risk
of those contingencies, I
there I can guarantee
you against others, & shall
consider myself as engaged
unless I hear to the contrary

Cordially yours

J. W. Higginson

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