

Boston July 4. 1843

Dear Deborah

I have only a minute to
acknowledge your letter by Miss Boyard
Saturday night - & to tell you that
I suppose Anne has written all there
is to say so I will add nothing further
~~same~~ & except that I send her with
a nice little Spencer - which I think
you may get a few wears out of
to advantage & then return it to me
I got it cheap of Gillespie - it should
be worn either with a silk skirt - in which
case there should be a nice cambric
waist under it - or over a silk gown
waist & all over but then the silk gown
must have short sleeves & round the
neck of the Spencer - must be a ruche
of silk lace - plaited very full - If you
wear the sleeves of the Spencer short with

for an evening dress you ought to do
a ruche ~~or~~ fringe of plaited lace goes
round the bottom of the sleeve - & the
lower part is taken off when you wish
them short - a sash or slash is worn
round the waist - I tho't this would
make a pretty variety with your striped
silk - you wear short not long - knit
gloves - with these short sleeves -

finish the wrist of the watered silk
with a large cord - Anne & Emma
think Mrs M would have been presuming
to ask you to stay there in her absence
& perhaps they are right

I don't think Emma can be
able to do much for Amittie -
Henry is too ill to endure much more
& I have shook in my shoes over
James Gibbons's visit but it should
mingle him - she will do what she
can - but I don't believe that she
has any wish to secure any footing
there at all - folks as Brown

Says must ^{not} suit themselves & Emerson is
very tall - Warden got off with a very
successful flury you should have been
here - we hunted you not a little

I am truly going now to write a
journal addressed to you which shall
be D'Arbly in its character but
cannot say one word more to night
I am a trifle better than I have
been - take great care of your
self & believe me yours to the death

Caroline Norton. -

I promise you the Journal -

Miss Deborah Weston
New Bedford



The flowers came beautiful & I
sped the breakfast table ornamented
with them the morning of Gibbons
arrival — give a large dinner to
young

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