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## Letter from Sarah Whitney, Boston, Massachusetts, to Anne Whitney, New York, 1862 May 6

Sarah Whitney

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wide well. Margt proposes to return  
on Thurs. If the pictures are <sup>dearly</sup> satisfactory  
I will send some by her - Till today  
I love her, but my promise was a  
conditional one! If the artist ~~tricks~~  
does not flatter her, she will not expect a  
picture - If I can find any one to agree  
with me in my estimate of the one ordered  
she shall have it - executed perhaps after  
your method. I wish you had sent me  
word what plants I promised & have  
not sent -

Very lovingly  
Sarah

Tues. night May 6<sup>th</sup>

[May 6, Tues.]  
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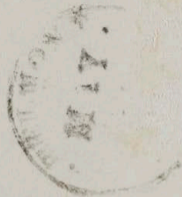
Your prayer dearest for the photo-  
graphs cannot be immediately an-  
swered - but the all well may be uttered  
to night & in proof thereof, I inform you  
that father has been spending the day with  
Margt in Framingham, Mother has been  
busy in & out of the house all day long, visiting  
with Aunt Lizzie the deer & ducks on Mr Cushing's  
place in the morning & attending the soldiers sewing  
meeting in the P.M. Edward dined at home at  
1 o'clock & expected to be in Washington at  
10 tomorrow morning. - The children are happy  
& Kate faithful & pass unwashed. Showers  
& Sunshine have done their best to beautify  
us since you left & I feel that it is time for  
me to do my part - I shall deck a helper on  
the hill in the course of a day or two. Tomor-  
row I am to go to Boston with M. to deck relief  
for her murdered feet at the hands of a  
Chiropedist & get if they are done the cards,  
& call upon your friend N.D. Whitney & do

what else time & strength allow & pleasure  
suggests. Sunday Carrie & I took the boys  
& two Barnards to the waterfall - It was  
very lovely & did us good - but I was sorry  
to miss thereby most of a long call from  
Kate & Mr L. We are in daily expectation  
since of a summons to Newburyport. The  
May flower however must come to us this  
year - I gathered in great haste this & in some  
Blood root for Mary but lost with all my  
hurry the chance to take it to her - It came  
however to night when I went to the depot  
for father & Mr. Poor Mary's Bloodroot &  
Pulsation flowers symbolize all her life in the  
Spring time - I found her in the depths of  
sorrow at the death of Mr Lombard, "her sec-  
ond father" her "nephew nearly beloved". Her  
mother too has been very ill since we saw her -  
so much so on Fri. night (I think it was) that  
Mary did not undress - On the same night  
the rest of the family consisting of 4 or 5 per-  
sons were actively employed in moving from

death a friend from Phil. who came to  
testify in the impending trial. All this will  
give emphasis if any be needed to Mary's message  
that "if you do not hear from her it will not be  
for want of love." I cannot help her in her  
grief - you can & will -

Perhaps you will see Edwin before I do & learn  
what took him off so suddenly - trading with  
Government I suppose - Mrs Barnard heard  
Mr Phillips on Sunday - If you hear the same lec-  
ture in B - you will learn that if Mr Lellan is  
to be the next Pres. it will not be through Mr  
D's vote. I don't believe Peace has dawned  
yet - certainly not the peace wh. is to endue -  
the fire has not yet purified this people -  
the Boston Courier still lives.

That I may gather Sanguinaria for  
Mrs Parker & Miss Ryan before breakfast  
it behoves me to go to bed now - Give  
a great deal of love to the Manning house-  
hold & the Whitney also. I am any way  
to hear that James is free from cough & other -



Miss Anne Whitney  
Care Messrs. Manning & Squire  
New York.