

I guess I will send my love  
in return. though you  
did hesitate about-  
sending yours till you had  
asked Mr Mason what-  
she thought- about-it

Newport, R. I., July 4, 1879.

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Yourself and  
family are respectfully invited on board  
the Schooner Young America, to wit-  
ness the Sub-marine Race at 1.30 p. m.,  
July 4th.

The Schooner lies alongside of  
Commercial Wharf.

John Waters,

Of the Committee on 4th of July.

Thursday C. M.

Dear Husband

Strictly after mailing  
your letter last night Georgie  
and I proceeded to the house  
of a friend almost opposite the  
U. S. Hotel and saw the Regt.  
pass. It was a grand sight. The  
Hôtels were illuminated, and  
Crockets were thrown up, and the  
red & blue lights were all  
along the line, on the streets.  
Salute after salute were fired  
from the Wharf after the Regt.  
boarded the Steamer. After they  
had passed Georgie & I scurried  
up St. and finally met two  
gentlemen whom Georgie knew  
and after chatting awhile with  
them, brought us in an Ice  
Cream Saloon where we  
refreshed ourselves on some of  
that rich Ice Cream. Such

as we had here on the 4th  
While in the Saloon we learned  
that Annie Neale had  
been there and bought <sup>cream</sup> 1 qt.  
to take home. So Georgie & I  
said to ~~Georgie~~ we went - let-  
on that we have had a good  
one reaching home we had another  
dish. And it was just as good  
as the first. Wish you could have  
had some. But I suppose you  
are refreshing yourself on the gaze  
of the fascinating Mrs. Mason,  
and her flowery language, and  
as you do not express any special  
desire to have me return Sat.  
I think I may remain over,  
which will afford you an  
opportunity to enjoy any company  
you please. So if you wish you  
can notify your friends, and if any  
one asks where I am, tell them I am  
making the acquaintance of the  
Newporters. I have had an  
invitation to go out sailing, but



that I declined doing as I am too  
much afraid of Sail Boats and the  
water, However I may be over  
persuaded, Will tell you in my  
next, whether or not, I sailed

George's note you see is rather  
insinuating, But I guess you know  
by this time that my head is not-  
easily turned, by the attentions of any  
one, Even though they are Newporters,  
I'm sure I have had no experience  
with them heretofore, But I feel quite  
safe, in my own strength, though I am  
a left behind wife, and at their  
mercy, Many thanks for your  
good wishes for me, I can't but  
enjoy myself when so much  
attention is paid me of course, which  
I confess ~~there~~ is no lack of, But  
I am never unmindful of the fact-  
that I am your wife  
Louise

Love from Anne - C. She says tell  
you she carries her umbrella as usual

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