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Sept. 3 Yesterday aft. we went out calling. At many places they offer something to drink, tea, wine, etc. I sometimes take tea. They use elegant china and glassware. Yes, we live upstairs but it is not much higher than most houses with a basement. In town the houses are so close together that it is better to be up above the nigger huts to get the breeze. The houses are kept open most of the time as we depend on the trade wind to keep us cool. We have matting in our sitting room, dining room, and gallery. The bedroom floor is bare. I have seen but one house with matting — with carpeting. We have fancy matting on the sitting room floor. We have a willow sofa and willow + black walnut chairs. A willow centre table. In the bedroom a light wood bureau and wash stand and an iron bedstead with four tall rods at the corners for mosquito netting. Just now the mosquitos are about as thick as at Napa's. In the winter they disappear. Scarcely any flies. I can't see one in the house now with the windows and doors all open. No snakes but plenty of lizards. They are perfectly harmless and run at the sight of me but I can't get accustomed to them. We attend church at the Cathedral (episcopal). The Archdeacon and wife called on us and we have spent one evening at their house. I like them. He is as jolly as any American. I haven't been homesick yet but had half a notion to be the first few days. Everything was so strange. I have a good girl — one of the best cooks on the island. She worked for the banker's wife who is now in Eng. We pay her 96 cts a week and she boards herself. We could get one for 72 cts. but don't like to change as she is honest and works well. I have been trying my new machine. Have made a shirt and some cuffs. The pine apple season is about over although I believe you can get them the year round. I am living on oranges now. I think the climate will agree with me. I never felt any better in the States than here. This is called one of the healthiest islands. The yellow fever is raging at Barbadoes but they do not fear it here. It has visited this island but once in years — two years ago — and then took a few young men of bad habits. I think it will be very

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Note added in pencil: Dear M. Please read and then send this to Myra, asking her to send it to father. Alma.