

24 Charles St. Boston St.

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My Dear Miss Pardee

"Pardons" for  
all my faults which I find to  
be more than I knew of,  
for indeed I did not know I  
had cut you at Balfie's, so  
that my short sight and your  
long memory might have done  
me a mischief but for your  
goodnature which makes  
every one so glad to see  
you. — I am indebted  
to you a visit, and I am

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long today I am hopefully  
thus indebted to hundreds  
besides you — the fact is I  
am so closely occupied that  
I cannot visit, and my friends  
are good enough to bear with  
me in this trifling defalcation.

It will give me great pleas-  
ure to make the acquaintance of  
the charming person you so  
charmingly describe, but I  
must wait beyond tomorrow  
when I am engaged with Mr. Looms  
to dinner, but on the 10<sup>th</sup> we  
will both have the pleasure

of accepting Mr. Looms' in-  
vitation for the evening.

In the interim Believe me,

My dear Miss Parker

Yours very faithfully

Samuel Looms

P.S.

Mr. Looms has a slight head-  
ache and cannot answer your  
kind note, but hopes you will  
accept it my hands has  
best compliments and wishes