

could happen, almost as if on purpose for me to astonish Mamma with. I wish she had been here; that would have been much better, better even than having it to write. Miss Hayward says she awoke twice in the night, laughing at the thoughts of it. I think I must have laughed too, in my sleep; at least I can hardly keep from laughing, now that I am awake.

Well, Mamma, here is our adventure. After tea Miss Hayward said we should go into the drawing-room for another music lesson; because I want so much to be able to play my new duet quite well when you come home; and we were sitting very quietly together, thinking of nothing but our own music, when we heard some soft low pretty music at the win-