

France) to go to the Académie as soon as may be.  
(this letter was received the day after your kind invitation).  
Under these circumstances I hope you will  
not think us very troublesome or chargeable  
if we ask your kind permission to alter the  
arrangement ~~we~~ lately made - and go straight  
- on the Monday evening - to the lodgings;  
lest delay should prove of material consequence.  
We feel your kindness equally - and shall ne-  
ver forget the true friendliness that dictated  
the offer - but we cannot help feeling  
that we should have been very troublesome  
visitors with such an errand or hunting for  
lodgings - and I hope that you will kindly  
allow us to spend some evening with you in-  
stead. - We should have written sooner to  
Mr. Webb about lodgings, instead of troubling  
dear Arthur, but for having heard that ~~she~~

<sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ not at home - and I wrote to her  
husband with very little hope that she  
would have returned - which had now  
proved to be the case. With our united  
affectionate regards and grateful thanks  
to you all, I remain

My dear Mr. Ranyard

Yours affectionately

A. V. Webb

I have some very small Scrip Pictures  
which perhaps you may like to copy - Shall  
I bring them? - I see I may still be  
detained here till Tuesday - as it will be  
difficult now to be ready - but I must leave  
it uncertain today. My husband's very  
kind love to Arthur & thanks for his  
note.