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Dear Ead. Your favors

of the 29th volume + 1st inch, were handed me on
Saturday the 9th by Campbell. How long they
had been in his hands I do not know.
Aunt has not arrived, or had not on Saturday night
so far as was known to the Schucks — they
would be likely to know it if he had. Lida
left their home on Friday for a relatives on
the next square, where she spends a week or
two & then goes to Cumberland. Although I have
been much in her society I can not say that
she is at all agreeable. Her deafness defys any
ordinary form of conversation, besides she seems to me
to be quite indifferent whether she hears or is
heard. Dull & deaf, of course she sees little society
of any kind. The Schucks are very kind & I
find a pleasure in going to their home
when I am near at home. Bob told me on
Saturday night that if the Conservatives — meaning
thereby the old time Whigs & Demis — offered him