A wonderful serenity has taken possession of my en-

tire soul, like these sweet mornings of spring which I enjoy with my whole heart. I am alone, and feel

the charm of existence in this spot, which was created for the bliss of souls like mine. I am so happy, my dear friend, so absorbed in the exquisite sense of

mere tranquil existence, that I neglect my talents. I should be incapable of drawing a single stroke at the present moment;