

An Excerpt from *Touring New England on the Trail of the Yankee*

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“Lyme is full of painters and pictures. You find painters in force when the laurel is in bloom or when the trees are not too green, and the place to find many of them is at ‘Miss Florence’s.’ We were doubly fortunate in being in Lyme in early June, and in finding accommodations at her house. It is around ‘Miss Florence’s’ house that most of the art life centers, or has originated. Every painter who has ever been to Lyme knows Miss Florence Griswold. She takes good care of them, is interested in their work, and they find there that intangible thing, an art atmosphere.”