**Between Longmore and his wife, Rosalie, re conferences in Paris, Cannes and Berlin**

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Try & see the Pall Mall Gazette of today
- good account of Frank L—

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? 15 May 1867
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Wed[y]. Eve[g].

Dearest Rose,

I am still prepared to go abroad & the Director General seems to wish me to go too. Lord Overstone has been there & the W. O. today & try & see Mr. Cardwell about my going, & not having seen him, I go again tomorrow morn[g]. I do not like the particular mission on which they are anxious to

send me — to organize an ambulance complete for active service & be sent anywhere where there may be fighting — as I see all sorts of difficulties in the way — but, on the other hand, no doubt I should see a great deal that would be useful to me professionally. The Government has just told

12 ambulance waggons
& harness complete to the
Nat.l Soc.y. & I am to see
about them tomorrow at
Woolwich. I shall learn
tomorrow most probably
something decided about my
going out — At any rate
I shall go into the city —
If possible on my return
from Woolwich — to see

what the Life Office says
has to say about my assurance
if I go. Under all cir-
-cumstances, I do not see
my chance of my being able
to get back tomorrow
- but, if I do not. I
will arrange if possible for
the 3 P.M. train on
Friday. Dr Mackennon
would have to act for

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me, as it was arranged
that I should act for
Dr Beaton in his absence.
Tell Dr B. if you can
see him what is going
on

Best love to you &
the children from your own

T. Longmore

I shall try & see Harry

L. 25/2

p.1 May 1867

Junior United Service Club,
London. S.W. 3 P.M.

My dearest Rosie

I have not learned much about my movements in reaching Paris. I am to report myself to the Secretary of a French Commission, & am to join in the work of the Commission — It has

reference to conveyances
for sick & wounded in
time of war, & other
such articles which
are in the Exhibition.
I shall no doubt
to-morrow afternoon
know something about
the probable length

if my stay at Paris
I may not be able to
write to you tomorrow
but I kept I certainly
write next day. I
should have liked
very well if
it were not for your
circumstances
— but I know Dearborn
& envy me will be

double attention to your
farm in my absence, and
Crawford told me he
thought I could not
be away many
days. But that
depends how long this
Conference may last,
& no one here can
tell how long that will be

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p. 2.

Junior United Service Club,
London. S.W.

I shall try & be back as soon as I can, for there seems to be every probability of my being sent again to Paris in August. I shall go to the Post office on Saturday afternoon to see if there are any letters for me — the

simplest address will
be ~~Professor~~ Monsieur
le Professeur Longmore
Poste Restante, Paris,
I think — writing the
name plainly

Best love and
kisses to the chicks
— they will wonder

why I don't come
home this evening -
as well as to
myself I write a line
to Mrs. about
Sunday if necessary
Our carriage to meet
Dr Logan at the
Railway Station tomorrow

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If it is wanted
All love,
Ever affectionately yours
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Mrs Lougmo.
Hamble
Southampton
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L. 25/3

Hotel de Louvre, Paris,

Friday 24th May 1867

My dearest Rosie,

I write a line to let you know I am safely here. We had a very rough passage across – heavy squalls of high wind, & the steamer rolled greatly. I soon felt I was getting sick in the hot & crowded cabin, & therefore went on deck & remained there in spite of the wet from shipping seas, spray, & rain. By not lying down & constantly keeping my equilibrium as the ship rolled & pitched I got over without being sea-sick at all. I think Prince Alfred & Elliot Yorke were on board – at least they were on the train with us to Paris, & I had a talk with E. Yorke at Calais. I dare say I shall see him here as he is staying at the Embassy. I did

not get to the hotel till near 9 O'clock, & after a hot-bath, breakfasting &c. It was near 12 before I got to the Committee room where the conference was to be held. I then learned the conference had taken place at 9 in the morning. I have been occupied all the rest of the day in calling on Presidents, Secretaries &c. There are to be practical trials of ambulance wagons & carts, the Government sending horses for the purpose, on Monday morning at 9 O'C. at the Exhibition ground. These trials of different things connected with field hospitals are

Sorry on 3 times a week & am
expected to last after two weeks.
I have therefore written to the
Director General to get instructions
as to how long I am to remain
- at present my orders are very
indefinite. I have not
seen the Exhibition buildings yet,
but expect to go there tomorrow

It seems as well for me
to remain at this hotel - there
is scarcely a sleeping room in Paris
to be got. I am in an out of
the way corner up on the top
line - No. 554 room - but as far
as I have been able to learn I can't
get anything much better anywhere else

I shall be anxious to hear news from you & yourself & of your all, & I shall hope to find a letter for me at the Poste Restante tomorrow or next day - as M. Charpentier talked of his at Paris about the time with you write a line to Mrs C. about my boy here - please also write a line to my mother. I hope Mr Atkins is better.

Best love & kisses to you all

Your affect husband

T. L.

I hope you have better weather for the ball than it is here & that everything will go off all right.

Be sure to pay full postage

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Angleterre
PARIS
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Mrs Longmor
Hamble, nr Southampton,
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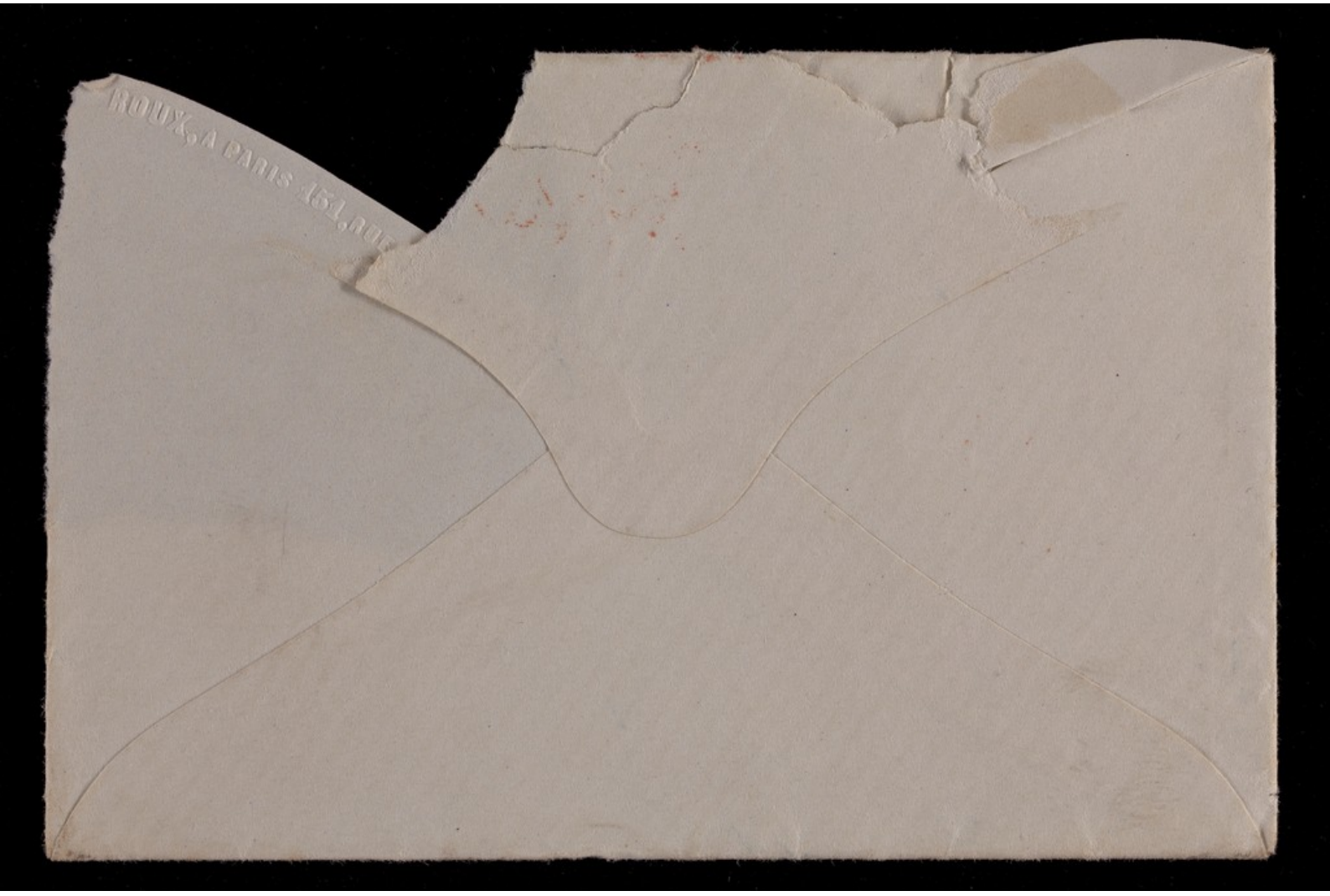
ROUX, A PARIS

L 25/4

Hôtel de Louvre. Paris.

Sat[y] Mg[t] 18.67
25 May

My dearest Rosie

I got a letter from you last week & am glad to find you keep all right especially about the supply for that near relative of mine whose acquaintance I hope to make next week. I am sorry to write officially that I shall leave Paris on Thursday Mg[t] next, unless I get orders to the contrary. The conference to which I was sent will not be nearly finished then, but I have notes enough to complete my report from & I don't mean to stay any longer if I can help it. On Wednesday there will be a meeting I am anxious to attend. I fed all right again today & am sorry to meet Clendining at 10 o'C. to go with him to St. Cloud & to dine with him afterwards. Yesterday I had not recovered from my attack of the day before. I can't tell what brought it on. I had been so well previously. I have just been out a little way & called at 6. Rue de Castellagne, Hotel de Nantes,

where the Rathleighs usually go to. They had rec'd a letter from Mr Rathleigh saying they were coming, but they had no room for them — so where they will go, I don't know. I have made him attempts to see the Tauvenels but failed. I am sorry to hear the Ottleys' have not been able to get away for a change — I shall be very glad to get home again. The attempt to shoot the Emperor of Russia apparently has not made the least change in all that is going on — every day there are fêtes of some kind or other. They are making great preparations now for illuminating the Tuileries gardens, to be on the occasion of some ball at the Palace I believe, but I don't know when. Tell Strudwick I got the catalogue this morning & am much obliged for his sending them. Yesterday afternoon, as I did not go to St. Cloud, I went to the exposition for some work there — while I was away Mrs Maclean called twice to see me — it was a pity he did not write me a line to say he was coming. As I named to you, I wrote to him to ask him when I could meet him. I suppose he had not got my note, but that his father wrote to tell him I was at this hotel: I was glad to hear Mrs Maclean was coming to you as it showed me she was better, Best love & kisses to you all. I suppose Isabel's spots are better as I do not allude to them. Kind remembrances to Frank, Love to you

E—L.

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Hotel de Louvre, Paris

Sunday Morning

My dearest Rosie 26 May 1867

I have got Dr Osborn's & Harriet's letters together this morning. I need hardly tell you of my surprise at the event happening so soon after my departure, or of my joy at finding you and the infants are in good health & doing well. I am so

glad to learn Osborn was with you in good time - I fear, as it is not mentioned, that the nurse had not arrived. My mind is now easy, and I can go on with what work I have to do here with comparative freedom from anxiety at my absence. I hope you will not attempt to exert yourself until Osborn gives full permission, I feel certain that all will go on well with the children. I shall look anxiously for further news tomorrow. I am very well. With much love to yourself and welcome to the new arrival

Ever your affectionate husband

T.L.

1867 L. 25/6

Hotel de Louvre. Paris,
Monday Aftn 5 P.M.
28th May 1867

My dearest Rose

No news I trust is good news. I have just returned from the General post office & did not find any letter there from me — perhaps one may come by the evening post & I shall get it tomorrow. I have been busy today with a committee examining ambulance carriages at the exhibition. While we were

at work the King of the Belgians came & seemed to take a good deal of interest in the collection & in our proceedings. I was introduced to him & he spoke to me for about five minutes - about Notting, the school there, & other matters. He spoke English fluently & was very affable with every one.

Tell Dr Muir I have really not time to write to him. I keep Dr Crawford informed of what I am doing.

If anything occurs to you for me

3 (Mon. after) 28 May L. 25/6

to do or to bring. From Paris.
Let some one to write to
me - Don't write yourself
till you are strong enough to
do it without risk

Tell the children I shall see
the sky long away. I have not
heard yet from the Dis-
trict I have been here -

I finish now for it is
near the evening post-time -
Best love to you all - I trust

I shall hear tomorrow
that you are forgiven on all
heads -

ever affectly Yours
T. L.

L. 25/7

Hotel du Louvre, Paris.

Monday afte:

27 May 1867

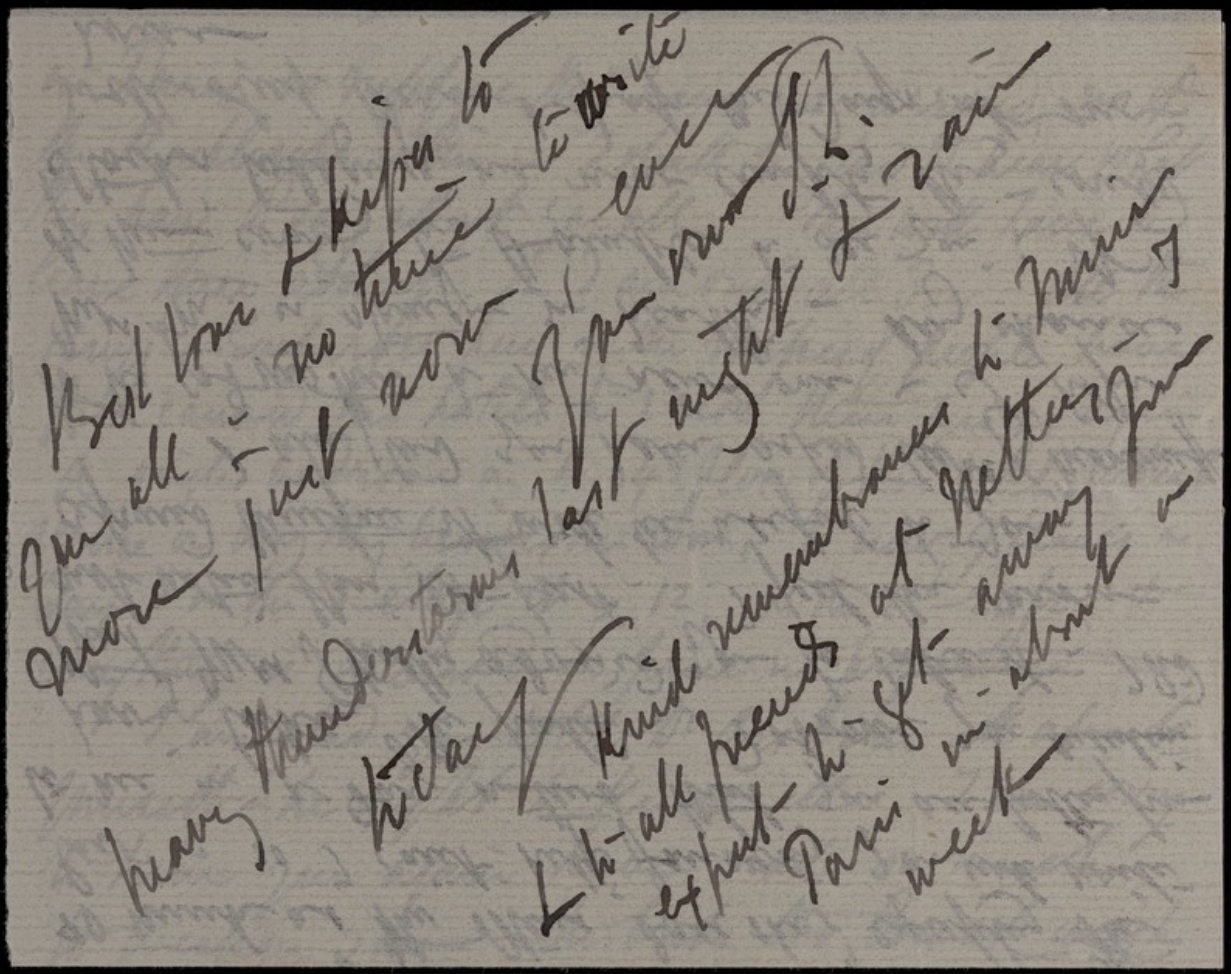
My dearest Rosie

I have just returned to my hotel to write a letter to the Dis. Sec's office & to you before the post leaves at 6 o.c. I got yours of 21st June yesterday. I trust you are not really about the milk leaving is groundless - as it seems to have come so fully I think there is good reason for hoping it will continue. I can't help thinking that the porter will be better for you than the water - the poor people who generally have plenty of milk for their babes in England usually drink porter - what says Mrs Phelps? She must have a good deal of practical experience in such matters. I was very glad indeed to hear of you having such a good supply of milk & on every account trust it will not fail. I have not heard of the Jamaicans

in Paris so I suppose they have not arrived nor of the Rashleighs either — I shall be glad to hear what they have to say about you all. They will have to leave their address, for I am out all day. All the Kings & Emperors here & the masses of people have just caused the hotels to raise their prices again. A single bedroom on the 4th floor of this hotel, without service or anything besides the room, is now 9 francs a day — on the 3e étage it is 12, on the 1st 20 fr. & everything is increased in price in proportion —

I am glad you told Dr Ord[illegible] all about yourself — he ought to know all. I am sorry to hear you again have had so much to weaken you — The bake two does not weigh so much as the stone does she? excepting the last — so I can't help fancying you will write to me in a day or two that you are better for having taken the pills. I observe you mention that Mrs Phillips advised you to take it — I did not notice this at first. I feel the more assured therefore it will be useful to you.

I am glad you have asked Mrs Moncrieff to be godmother to the new one — I hope Mrs M. is stronger in health — any chance of them coming to Hamble to see you? If Stocks lodgings are now empty they could well sleep there & keep the days at our house —



28 May 1867 Z.25/8

Hotel de Louvre, Paris, Tuesday Eve

My dearest Annie, Since I wrote to you I have rec'd several letters. one from Minnie (Mrs T. Rashleigh), & now tonight from yourself. I was very glad indeed to see your own hand-writing but hope you are not exerting yourself to write too soon. It seems fated that you should have to send for Mrs Parker. It has been very kind of every one to keep me so well informed about you for it has relieved me of a good deal of anxiety. Tell Harriet I was very glad to get her note written on the evening of the same day Dr Osborn left. It was also very kind of Jane R. to write, & just now I got a letter from Mrs Rashleigh. I am sorry to write to the doctors to thank them. You certainly seem to have managed with great resolution & methodically enough

I have been greatly interrupted at my work today – indeed have done nothing. An old officer of my regiment got hold of me just as I went to the exposition to do something and did not leave me the whole afternoon. Tomorrow I have to be there at 9 O'Clock. H.I.H. Prince of Prussia is coming between 9 & 10 O'C. to look over the collection of ambulance conveyances & hospital equipment.

Tell Mum I was very much obliged to him for his letter & all the news –

on Thursday night & I am so glad to hear that you no cause of fidgetting for I asked, who might well have been just out of bed at 4 in the morning without understanding what it was all about. I will write her a letter which perhaps she will think more of than a message. George & Dr Osborn seem also to have done their part quickly. I am thankful to learn too that your labor was not very prolonged and that there is a chance of your being able to suckle the infants. How strange it all seems that it should have happened so soon after my departure. I told Dr Logan in London about your probable speedy confinement, though I little thought it would happen so soon, & he kindly offered to try & get the War office to put off sending me - but I would not let him - I really thought there was a fair chance of my being back before the event would occur - He must have known of it the night after the ball -

I wish you could be here to see Paris & the Exhibition now – Paris is greatly improved since you were here with me, & the Exhibition is a world in itself – I have seen very little of it – I have not been into any of the show buildings of the city – It would require a couple of months to see the Exhibition alone – I have not heard from the Dr. Gods since since I came here –

28 May 1867 5 L 25/8

I feel very thankful at every thing having gone off so well with you & pray it may continue - I hope you will trust in your power to do things too soon - one's own ideas of one's strength are often very deceptive, & harm is so soon done & sometimes with such difficulty undone. Best love & kisses - I shall be very glad to make the acquaintance of the newcomer of whom you give so long a description - I wonder what Lucy Sarah will think about it - Ever your own F L.

L. 25/9

Hotel de Louvre 29th May 1856

10 P.M.

My dearest Rose

I told you I had to be at the Exhibition early this morning as the Princess of Prussia was going to look over the ambulance conveyances &c. The Crown Princess (the Princess Royal) came with them & they spent about 2 hours. They I was introduced & had to show & explain all the hospital fittings, barrack arrangements, & field equipment in the English section. They occupied 3/4 of an hour, & during that time they talked with me as familiarly about those things as if they had been private persons. The Princess told me she should write to Miss Nightingale about what she had seen in a day or two. She is very quick & intelligent, & well acquainted with what Miss N. has written about nursing, sanitary matters &c. There are complete buildings here built by the English Government, representing everything connected with barracks & hospitals - every article is here without any exception - even to the bagatelle tables & chess-boards used in the recreation rooms. In some respects the hospital matters are not so well arranged as they ought to be - There are only 3 nurses here and

now exhibited at Paris - if I have to do this, it will keep me here for some time - I find very little time for writing. The exhibition is a long way from this, & the meetings of the Society which is discussing the matters you may recollect were communicated in a French notice which was sent to me take place in (with) another part of the city - but I hardly know how the time passes

I trust you are still going on as well as when you wrote yesterday. With much love to you all, ever your affectionate husband J. L -

through. They have exhibited our guns & all kinds of artillery & engineer equipment in a way that no country can excel, the field equipment & some of the horse things have been made a mess of owing to their not understanding all about them. I have reported this officially. The Prince of Prussia asked me to get him drawings & descriptions of Gatlings ventilating &c. so I have to write an official application for the Sec. for War to send them to him to Berlin. The Princess is becoming stout & very like our dear Queen. I could not help noticing that, unlike most ladies, she had not kept to her dress - indeed it dusted under the ground by a couple of inches, so there was no danger of treading upon it. The Prince is a fine tall handsome man, & I should fancy, a very shrewd man too. It has been exasperating hot-looking - almost tropical I spent the greater part of the day at the exhibition - then went to call on Mrs Claremont - (Sir G. Wetherall's daughter) & afterwards came here to write.

D Crawford has written to tell me that the D-G. has requested the Sec. for War to direct me to write a report on all the Med. & Surg. equipment

There tell some one to put the
enclosed under cover to Dr Meier
& to give it him when there is
an opportunity

Angleterre
Mrs Longmore
Hamble,
Southampton
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P.S. Kind remembrances to Mrs & Miss A. & Miss T. I am glad to hear Mrs A better & hope to be able to resume duty soon. 29th I send the post-cart papers & letters mg. & this will leave early enough & tourists post 1/2 p 7 a.m.

30 May 1867 L 25/10

My dear Isabel

This is a letter all to yourself. I have been very glad to hear that you have been such a good girl, and that you have been taking care of your mama while I have been away from Paris. I got your letter which you wrote to me when you were at Mrs Rawlinson's

- in which you told me you had got such a nice little baby sister and asked me to bring you some chocolate I will be sure & find some nice chocolate for you, and you may tell Buddy that I have got a new top for him - such a wonderful top. That drops five or six tops and picks them up again while they are spinning. It is very warm here now and I am writing this in my bedroom, long after you have gone to bed, and with all my windows open.

I was very glad to hear too from Miss Rashleigh, Miss Jane Rashleigh that you were so good when you were

her. You must continue to be good
and to take care of your mama
for me till I come home, your
affectionate papa who sends you
his love & kisses by letter as he is not
near enough to give them to you
himself. I will try & find some
bonbons for you & Buddy as well as the
chocolate—

L 25/11

Hotel de Louvre, 11 P.M. Friday 31st.

1867

My dearest Rosie

I have just got back to my hotel & am glad to find your letter of the 30th. I did not go again to see if there were any letters for me at the poste restante, as I got your letters addressed to the hotel, as you already know by my office. As it is some little distance to walk out of my beat I will not go for the letter now unless you tell me there is any thing in it for me to go for. But will take my chance of being near the post office one day & then get it. I went this morning early to the exposition, after settling some matters with Major Leahy R.E., who has been here on duty, & remained there till 6 O'Clock - At first I was engaged with the police in experimenting on various kinds of structures & was afterwards mainly the whole

X the stays & I would certainly get one if it can be got better there in London - I suspect however that you could get the same French things cheaper in London than you can get them here - would it not be better to commission Mrs Jameson & Miss Rashleigh to get what would suit Isabel or yourself? The newcomers back hair is certainly dark enough for a lady of her age - I suppose it will be exchanged in the regular course of events for hair of a lighter colour

I wrote a few lines to my mother ready

day at work in the United States Sanitary Commission collection of hospital equipment &c. I was constantly interrupted by persons asking me to explain things & perhaps taking me for an American: among others, one gentleman after I had been talking with me some time apologized, says he was a surgeon in the British service. He turned out to be an Assist. Surgeon of Mullen's regt (Scots Greys) & was rather surprised when I told him who I was. At 5 p.m. I went to dine with Clendining - who was Paymaster in the 19th with me, & lives now in a lovely situation near the Bois de Boulogne. I have promised to dine with him again on Sunday. I am still waiting for orders from London. The temperature has been more moderate today; yesterday in the court-yard of the hotel the thermr was 76° F. today it is only 70° F. & there is a fresh breeze.

I don't think it would do for me to make keeping a diary, but I will consult with Lawrence about it. If I know where

to enclose in my letter to you - please forward them & let her know that you are going on well

I am glad to hear Mr & Mrs A. are better. My kind remembrances to them.

The Emperor of Russia is to make an entry in State into Paris tomorrow, but I shall be at the Exposition

Best love & kisses to you all - I am very glad to hear of the children being so good

Ever your affect. F.L.

L. 25/12

Hôtel de Louvre, Paris,

1 June 1867 Satty Eve

My dearest Rose

I find I can get away earlier than when I last wrote so I propose leaving Paris by tomorrow evening's mail train. This should cause me to be in London early on Monday morning. I could then wash & dress, see the Dis. Gen.l & do what business I have to do at the War Office, & leave London by the 3.10 (or the 5.10) P.M. train the same afternoon (Monday)

I don't think, on second thought,
that I can get this before
this evening post at Hamble,
but I'll get a fly if I
don't find George there or
manage some how.

I won't write more,
as I may be home before
this letter, than best
love to you all

ever yr affect husband

J L

Hôt: de Louvre L. 25/13

? Mon. 3 June

Tuesday Mg. I have just rec^d yours of the 2^nd. I enclose an order for £20 which I have no doubt Mimi, Mackinnon, or Serj^t Turner the Hosp. Steward will get cashed for you. I suppose the eruption on Babel's hand did not require any local application as Dr O. any other medicine. I will write a note to the Tauchnitz & arrange where they can find me at the Exposition. Will you send the enclosed to Strindberg – if he should be away, Mackinnon will probably be able to send me what I require. I shall be glad to have them soon. I got yr letter from the Poste restante. Best love & kisses to you all. Ever your own affectg. T. L.

T. S.

p. 2. ? Mon. 3 June

L. 25/13

Yesterday (Sunday) received an official letter requesting me to make a report for the info.n of Govt. upon the ambulance transport vehicles, & mil.y Surg.l & Med.l Equip.t at the Exhibition, & while & collecting the information for this purpose to latter the efforts of attending the International Conferences. "When the notes for compiling your report are complete you are to use your own discretion regarding your return, but the Sec.y for State trusts you will shorten your period of absence from hence as much as possible." I shall have finished my notes I expect (though the collection is an immense one, but I shall not attempt to go through it all (in detail) before the Conferences are closed. As soon as I have (& sufficient notes for my own. I shall write to know if I must remain till the conferences are closed —

I shall try not to remain more than another week or 10 days under any circumstances at all — I would gladly leave now if I could.

5 June 1867

Hotel de Louvre, Wed. Eve.

My dearest Marie

F. 25/4

I think you ought to have
rec'd a letter from me by yesterday morning's
post: in my last letter I sent an order for
£20 in case you required it before my
return. I think I am sure to leave
Paris by this day week, or tomorrow morning
week. I am very glad to hear you continue
all well yourself, & all others at home well

I wrote to Mrs Jamieson yesterday
to meet me at the Exposition but did not
see her or Mr J. I called at their
hotel to-day, but they were not in.
Some how admiral Sheringham left his card
for me to give to Mrs Jamieson! how he found
me out, & knew that I was aware of his

I answered by the Paris 2 days hence

I was at one of our Conferences this morning at the Rue Roquépine: afterwards was at the Exposition: then came to my hotel intending to go to the Society of Surgery of Paris of wh I am an honorary member, but found some papers from Strasburg wh required an answer, & so remained to reply to them. I also found a ticket from Clarence at the Embassy for admission to the part of the Emperor's pavilion — one of the side wings I suppose — "talus à gauche" — to see the review tomorrow at the Hippodrome de Longchamps. I went on then evening to his house to ascertain if uniforms was necessary — I found that it was not, and as it is a long way off, it will be much more convenient to go in plain clothes I shall do so — I caught Clarence as I was a minute & just as he was going out to a dinner — with Mrs & Miss C. — the latter now a woman. She left town at the 29th: the other in the navy. Clarence asks me if I want a ticket for the English Church Ball in his letter — I had no opportunity of asking when it is, how much the admission is

I am sorry to hear Mrs Maclean is very poorly. I have written this enf to Alick Maclean to know if he can meet me on Monday at the Exposition

On Friday we have experimental trials there. Afterwards I have arranged to go to St. Cloud with Clendening to dine with him in the evening again

Last evening I went to the Opera (French) & heard the Rigoletto very fairly done I hope Isabel will require her disagreeable medicine long — best love to her & Kepler to you all, ever

Your affect — H. —

Angleterre
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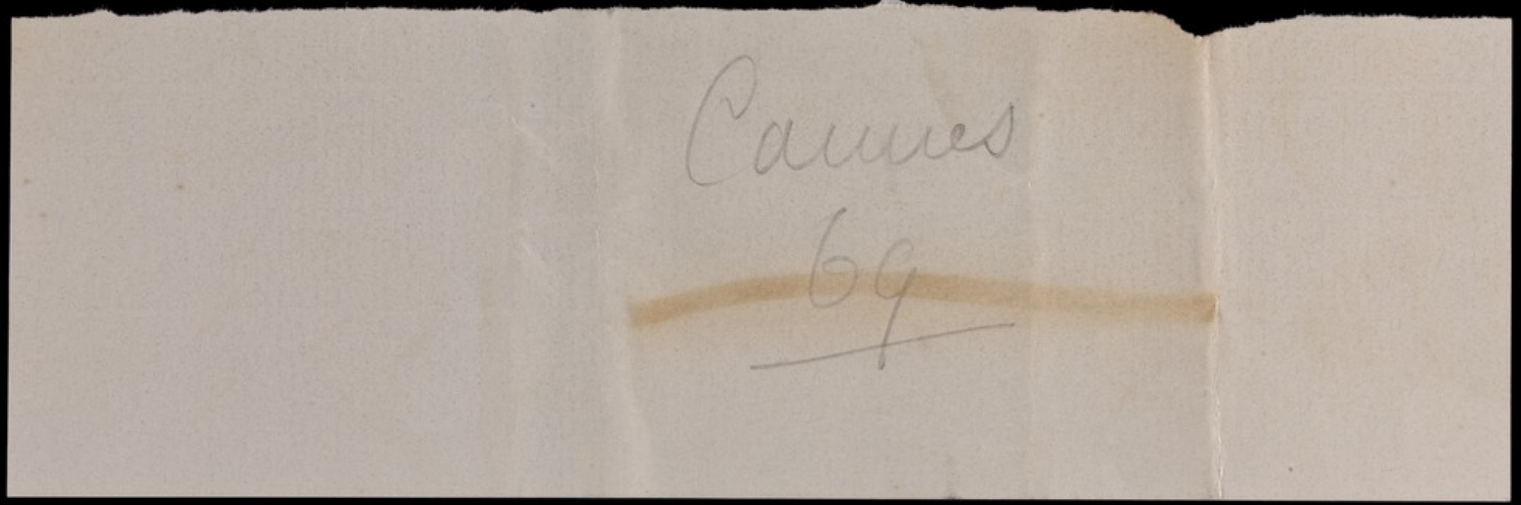
6 June 1867 £25/15

Thursday, Noon.

This note did not go off as it should have done by the early post this morning. I have unluckily had one of my attacks of indigestion & my plans have all been upset. Instead of going to the reviews, I have had to remain in my room. I did not feel anything of it till 5 O'C. this morning: the only thing I can ascribe it to is having eaten some mushrooms at dinner yesterday, but that was at 6 O.C. nearly 12 hours before. The attack has only just passed off & I feel weak after it - in a few hours I shall be as well again as before. M. Arnault happened to come to the hotel to ask me to dine with him, & wanted to do all sorts of things for me - he is coming again to enquire about me. It is very unlucky that I should have been kept in in this way, for it is a beautiful day out of doors. At one time I used have attacks of this very frequently, now I am thankful to say, as you know, I have them very seldom - But expect me to write tomorrow - I shall only write in case of being prevented from keeping my engagement to be at the Exposition early tomorrow & to go afterwards with Clendening to St. Cloud. I will write again on Saturday

Ever affectly Yours

I. L.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Lord Warden Hotel

~~Monday Eve~~

Still here. Tuesday 10 a.m.

Dearest Rosie,

? 2 Mar. 1869

To relieve your anxiety about my crossing I write this line to let you know I am all right. It will only be posted in case I cross tomorrow morning. It has been dry today but is now raining a little; ~~the~~ the sea seems to be calm, however.

I wrote to you just before leaving the club for the train, so have nothing to add now, except to tell Tourbell & Buddy they must take care of you while I'm away. I hardly wonder at Buddy thinking about tea during the church

service — I hope he did not ask about it too loud.

ever your own
T. L.

I did not go to the War Office at all which is town — I would have gone on purpose if I had thought I could have been of any use in Charley's business —

Tuesday Morn. After writing the above it came on to rain & blow hard from the North West. It is dry this morning but cloudy & dull & blowing half a gale, so I have not gone to the boat. I write a line to Mackinnon to the club to let him know I am here. I got your letter this morning & was glad to learn you are all well, thought I can't tell why you should keep awake at night

so long. I shall go and look at my old Quarters in the Castle by-&-bye & then weather holds up. I rather wondered at you not getting a letter from me which I posted at the Club on Sunday as your letter is dated Monday morning, but I remember now letters. Do not go out of London on Sunday Boy. But love & kisses to all

Ever your affectionately

T. L—

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Hotel de Louvre
Paris
Wedy Eve
? 3 Mar. 1869

My dearest Rosie, I hope you got the letter & I posted to you from Calais. I gave it to a Commissionaire & had to trust entirely to his honesty, the Post Office for England being in the town & I having no time to go there. We had a very stormy passage, but, worse than all, when we got off Calais, there was not water enough for us to cross the bar & we had to lie to outside rolling about for half an hour. I managed to escape without being seasick, but I could not have stood it much longer. Our passage instead of being 1 & a half was three hours, so our arrival at Paris has been proportionally delayed. Mackinnon managed to whistle ~~Scotch~~ Scotch tunes & this saved him

I hope Brandam is better.
Graves was the name I could not remember when I wrote to him yesterday —

from being seasick. It is now 10 o'
clock — we have left our dinner, &
Mackn has gone to the cafe' to
have his pipe. I am sorry to
write a line to Frank & shall
then go to bed. We shall pass
about 11 o'c tomorrow but
I calculate on Frank getting
a letter a post ahead of us.
Continue to Curran to get the
enclosed. I trust you are
sleeping better & that all are well.
I got y/l 2nd letter before leaving
Dover. Best love to you all

ever affectly yours

I will not write again till after I am settled at Cannes. } T. L.

Villa Neuve, Cannes,

March 6th 95 Saturday

Please put the cheque to Mrs Meadows £.25-/18

My dearest Rose

You of course rec'd my letter from Paris written on Wed'y Eve. We left as arranged by the 11 o' clock train on Thursday & got to Marseilles all right Friday morning. We were fortunate in having a bright dry day, though the air was cold, & in part of the distance especially about Dijon, there was a good deal of snow on the ground - evidently recently fallen. The weather was just the same at Marseilles - air cold, but perfectly clear & sunny. We went to a hotel - made ourselves clean after the long journey of 20 hours, & after breakfast walked up part of a hill

adjoining Marseilles, whence we
got a superb view of the bay with-
the islands, & the fine scenery
surrounding Marseilles. We left
Genl at ½ p. 12. & got to
Cannes about ½ p. 5 –. The weather
just the same, & such varied
& beautiful scenery all the
way – The Mediterranean on one
side & broken rocky ravines, with
occasional valleys, & distant
views of the maritime Alps
on the other – That I frequently
wanted you, to be with me
to see it. I have seen
nothing of Cannes yet, beyond
what was visible while

keeping along the railroad.
but I was surprised at the
great number of villas & stone
dykes. The King of Prussia's brother
Prince Fred.k Charles was on the
railway platform when we arrived -
he had come over with a party from
Nice to a picnic here - he hardly
seems the idea of being the soldier
he is said to be. Today is not
a favorable day for Carmen & Frank
has been advising me not to go
out on account of the N.E. wind
but the sun is very warm & every
thing is in appearance like
summer - flowers in all directions
Frank's villa is a very pretty

me & very tastefully furnished.
I have a very nice bedroom - a
pretty bouquet of roses violets & all
sorts of flowers in it - Frankeman
is all right & sends kindest regards
I had a little more cough during
the night journey, but feel
all well today: I have no
doubt a fortnight here will do
me a great deal of good - I
only wish you & the chicks could
be with me. But
love & kisses to you all. I
am scribbling this off to catch
the morning post. Frank is asleep
at present - he seems to have numerous
patients. Give your boys - T-L.

I suppose I shall get a letter from you

Sat. Ev. L.25/19

Dearest H ?6 Mar. 1869

I have just got yr. of the 3d — no doubt you heard from me on the afternoon of that day. Please send the enclosed to St. Leonards the sheets referred to in it.

I am very glad you happened to call at poor old Mr. Beavis's — & that you were prepared to write to Mr. Wetherall the clergyman — It's the right thing to do. I have no doubt your letters will reform me in a day or two that Mr. Beavis is dead.

I have very little time for writing — I must be interrupted and

conversation. As yet what I have seen of Cannes it is all very well while the sun is shining & when the wind is not very cold - but I find the evenings even in the house much more cold than agreeable. - The rooms, fireplaces &c are evidently not designed for bad weather. Mackinnon says the climate is not at all equal to that of New Zealand

I am glad George

Maynard & write you - my
kind remembrances to him

But love & kisses to
you all - I am just off to
the English church so that is at
the other side of the place
from here - ever yours affectly.

E L.

I have an official letter telling
me to await further orders
about my going to Berlin - I

hope I may not get the
final adieu to go there
till the warm weather
in May.

Ley Ryde
Angleterre
P.D.
Mrs Longmore
care of Mrs Laurence
Lothian Grove, Isle of Wight,
England

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L. 25/20

Cannes. Tues: March 9th 1869

My dearest R.

I have been waiting to get a letter from you before writing again, but I will not delay writing a line any longer. I have not yet heard whether you got my envelope with I sent from Calais just after crossing. I wrote from Paris, & 2 notes before that from here.

I am very well, but the weather is still very unfavorable. I have not yet worn any but my thick Winter suit of clothes, & have not been out without my overcoat in addition. Yesterday it was raining on the mountains around, & I hoped rain might fall here, to lay the dust, but there were only a few drops. It seems strange that, though the sun is fresh at night & the wind is so cold, that there should be such gorgeous wild flowers as there are here. The various kinds of anemonies are truly beautiful, & violets & other flowers abound.

Frank is so much occupied day & night with his patients that we see very much less of him than we should like to do. All the English notoriety here & much of the foreign, seems to be under his care — yet he says as regards money, he don't expect to do more than just pay his expenses. Mackenna is very well. He proposes to leave Cannes on the 21st for he wishes to spend a week in seeing Paris. I think of

leaving on the 27th, so as to get home early on the 31st. I will rest one day at Paris, as I wish to see one or two persons there.

You did not mention at what price the U.S. bond was bought. I see by the papers some were sold at £103½. Get what money you require from Fyffe, a letter, till my return. I foolishly did not make a note of the exact sum I brought with me, but having now £17 with me, I think it has cost me about £13 to get here. But this includes the price of the return from Paris to London.

The post leaves here at 3 P.M. & the next post does not come in till about 7. so it is no use my now waiting for news from you. I trust the children & all are well. According to your directions I direct this to Ryde. Give my very kind regards to all at Lothian Grove, & write by first post & believe me to remain yours

Yours, ever affectionately

T. L.

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Villa Henne, Cannes.

Wedy 10. March / 69

My dearest Rosie / Your letter of Sunday last has just reached me & I am very glad to get it. I write with a few lines now but do not intend to close the letter till tomorrow. I am glad to learn the correspondence started this evening to you - it speaks well for the man's honesty. I hope you will let me know soon that Isabel's & Buddy's colds are better, as well as your own, & I hope you will not go to the I. of Wight as long as you have them, or until they are nearly gone. Then a change may be useful. It has been very kind of Dr Aitken to take so much trouble about poor old Mr Beaumont - tell him I feel greatly obliged to him for going to see him. Sir T. Watermall wrote to me as you know, in case of his death to arrange for the funeral, & that he would be answerable for any cost. It might have been as well to have telegraphed to Mr W., the clergyman, of Mr B's death so that he might have come at once - I hope however he has come & relieved you & Aitken of further anxiety & trouble in the matter. I am glad that George Maynard is with you & also to hear of Mr Beaumont's being such good neighbours to you in my absence. What is the matter with Maclean? is it still the lumbago? he seems to me to require a change quite as much as I do, or, any rate, to take more care as regards going out &c than I fancy he usually does. My chest, in spite of the bad weather here, seems to me stronger, for I can bear the tightness of my waistcoat when buttoned better, & I cough

very little. Your remark about being glad to think of me being in a warm climate & out of St. Marcher would amused Mackn & myself when I read it to him. Today the Barr is down to 29.2., no sun is to be seen, a cold N.E. wind is blowing hard, & Mackn says there is snow all round on the lower hills. I have not been out, & am writing this with a fire in Frank's consulting room — Mackn has again gone out with Frank on some of his rounds. I am glad there is some of my coldfoot for I rather like the little nes — I cant help thinking it is useful for Isabel's throat, with her large tonsils.

I am glad you have had the carpet up in my room — you need not fear about disturbing my papers so long as they are not taken out of their respective portfolios. The plate will be quite safe when you mention it. I have no doubt. Thankyou for sending Dr Chevne's address. Should the promised copies of my book on Transport be sent to Woolston, I should like very much for 2 copies to be posted by bookpost to France, me to Frank, Villa Nerve, Cannes. Alpes M. &c. the other to M. le Dr Chevne, &c &c, Passage des Eaux Minerales, No. 7., à Passy-Paris, France. I was led in London to suppose the books might be sent to me about the 15th.

11th March. No improvement in our weather. After I had written the above yesterday, it rained steadily all the afternoon & evening. This morning early we saw the sun, but it was soon clouded over & now while I am

writing, 12 o'C., it is lightning, thunder & raining. Mackinnon & I had planned an excursion to see Nice & Mentone, but it is out of the question this weather. Still I feel the change has done me good & I am glad I have come. It is useful to be disabused of the idea that Cannes is so perfect a climate – at least constantly – as it is represented to be. I am very doubtful about its being a particularly good climate for consumptive persons at any time – the dust in dry weather, & the daily varying temperature, are great objections.

The last 2 days Major Dickens of the 31st Bombay Native Infy. has been constantly drunk – He has had disease of the face, & I should think if not qualified that he will be disabled from serving in his regt again.

I was sorry to hear about Willie Lawrence – I hope it was nothing serious. How is Percy? Your letter has made me doubt whether my last letter written 3 days ago would find you at Ryde, but even if you are not

Feb. 12. The ground is now white with hail – the largest I have ever seen – like lumps of sugar – & it is raining heavily –

Thus — I know it will only make me
post delay in getting it. I am
anxious to hear the children are all
right again. Mack.n sends his kindest
regards — he says it will not be his
fault if he does not bring a Polish
Princess into the Department. Frank has
introduced him to some Princess with an
unpronounceable name with whom he
is much taken. Mack.n & I had a
talk the other day with Earl Dalhousie,
(formerly Sec. for War). He said he would speak
to the Queen & Mr Cardwell about the state
of the Offrs 2ds at Netley, but of course we
regarded what he said as a mere façon
de parler. He talks of coming to see
Netley on April a Many — he considers
it as a child of his — it having been built
when he was in Office. Best love to
Nelly & the children & kindest regards to
the Lawrences, when you see them — Ever —

I found the British Soldier article mislaid on Sunday last

L. 25/22

Denmark Terrace
Brighton
March 12th 1869

We received from Harbro' the violet we took it - it is all we have - we left there 1 past 11 & reached the Crystal Pal. 1 past 12 - Mr Griffin has been very kind about it. It will see by the date that - we are here all right. The "we" being Nurse, Ruddy, Baby & myself. We left home at 4 to 10, drove to Bottley & got here all right - at - 1.20. Frank with three of the girls were at the Station to meet us. Lucie dined & Mary has been out with Frank to purchase a bottle for Baby as hers was left behind. Ruddy has been out with Billie & Hilda, but Baby did not go the wind being cold & her cold not quite gone. Slept Good & Nurse all night - with Mummy & Mary their colds both better.

Mary arranged for George to sleep in Ruddys room while Jane away, & the Plate is all packed in its box & locked up in the cupboard inside his room, the

key being in Jemmy's Charge, so don't
think I need be anxious about things
while I am away.

No letters of any importance have come
for me, except one from that Mr. or
Capt: Douglas, who writes to me about
the order of St: John. They are trying
to set up an English branch of the "Société
de Secours aux Blessés & Maladies Militaires"
& they want all sorts of advice from me.
I wrote to him & said that I knew it
was a subject in which we were a good
deal interested, & that I would be glad
& tell him anything I could, but that
we were at Cannes (I told him they) &
I enclosed my address, so I suppose
he will write to me. I hope this is right.
He says he hopes to meet the Conference
at Berlin.

Mrs Beaver has buried a Wednesday
& I have had a very nice letter from
Mrs A. Wetherall to say that of course the
old woman would be taken care of, & asking

me to find out what her wishes are. She has no friends, & would rather remain near the people they have been living with, & who really seem to have been very kind & good to them. I have £3- left of the money sent for Mrs B. this they tell me would quite buy furniture for a room for her, if she has an unfurnished one, but they say she would not get an unfurnished one anywhere in London under 4/- a week. I have written to Mr W. telling him all this, what money I have &c, asking him what he wishes done, & saying that anything I can do to help I will gladly do, for I cannot help a great pity & respect for that poor old woman, & I cannot tell for him pathos she is for any small kindness.

I gave Mr W. my address here for this week, & said I should be back after that, so I think I cleared up almost all business before I left. Mummy is to send any letters that come for me, & send on any that are not circulars, & all the letters & papers

that have come for you I have put into one bag to keep till you come home.

I cannot help being very glad you are away just now, for I am sure Cannes cannot be as bad as it has been at home, hard frost the last three mornings & a horrid East wind that reminds one of Rochester. Got a letter from your Mother they all well, & send no end of love to. I had a letter from Isabel yesterday, her poor little Baby is no better I'm afraid, & Miss Edwards is ill too, so I am afraid that Alice is a miserable state. The doctor says it is low fever & has ordered Beef tea & Brandy, & Milk & Lime water, he says he thinks he is going on as well as he can; but he does not expect he will improve much for a week or ten days. I don't think this will tell them of course I don't understand it. I must not write more, tho' I much feel as if I had had half my day. God bless you my own Wifey from most affec. Rodie.

Angleterre

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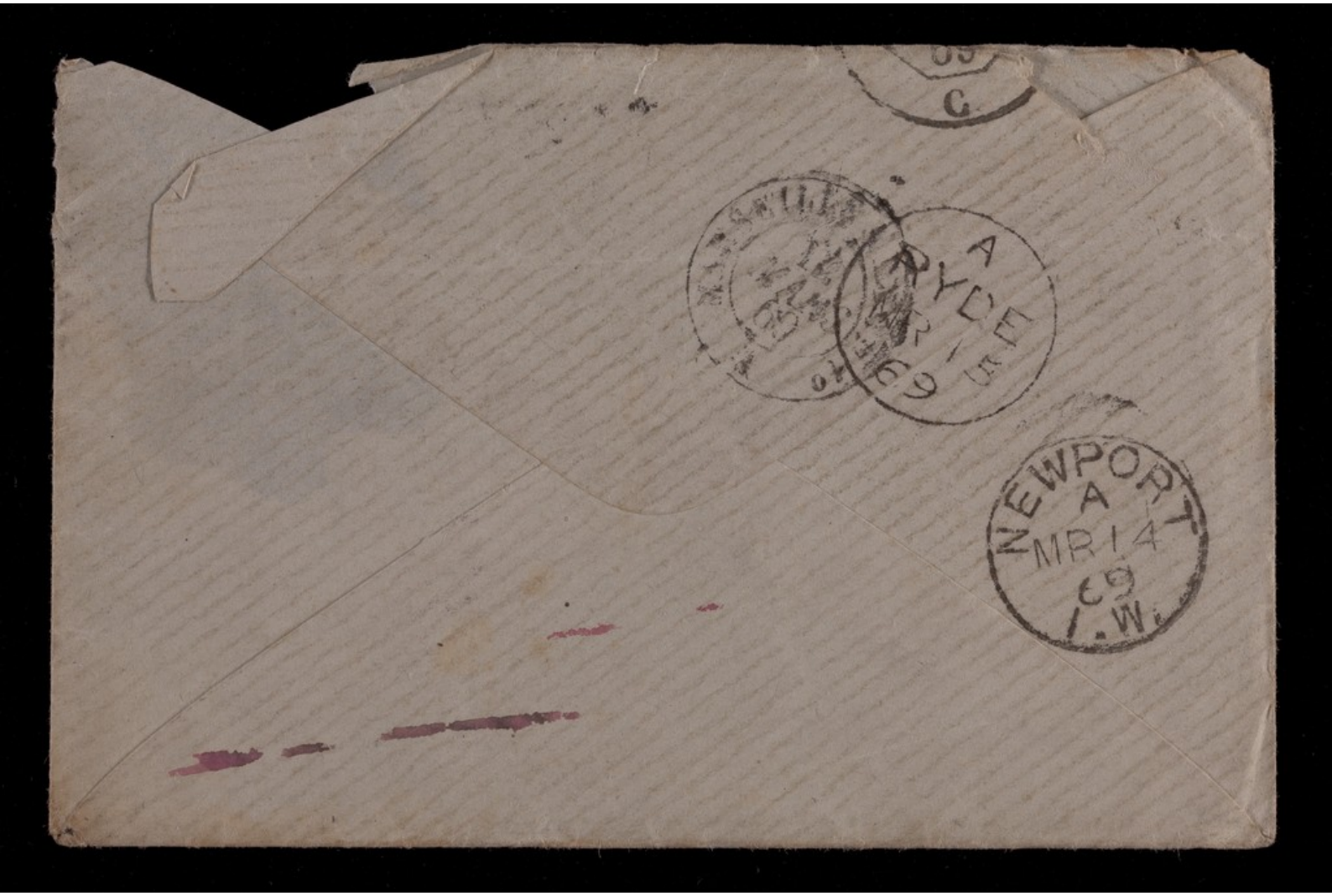
Mrs Longmore
care of Mrs Laurence,
Lothian Grove, Isle of Wight,
England

A Ryde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Villa Neuve, Cannes,

Sat.y, 13.th/3/09

My dearest Rosie

I was very glad yesterday to get your letter of the 9.th, as it told me all your colds were leaving you. My breathing is certainly better & my cough gives me very little trouble — I can also lie better I think on my right side, & bear my waistcoat buttoned up better. By the 11.th when I last wrote to you it was hailing & snowing — after the letter to you was sent off I walked up with Mr. & Mrs. Ryder in the olive of one of the hills through 2 & 3 inches of snow — came home & changed — & in the evg went out to dine with a Mr. & Mrs. Ryder in a villa close by here. Mr. R. is a grandson of Lord Harrowby's & Mrs. Ryder's mother, Lady Calcraft, lives at Remstone, where Jai & I drove once or twice the last time we were at Swanage. Frank & Mark — were ~~dining~~ ~~etc~~ dining elsewhere,

so Mr Ryder took compassion on my loneliness & asked me to dine with them. Mrs R. is an immense friend of Frank's – She has a little girl, just about Isabel's age, in a dreadfully sad condition, & all the result of a fall about 2 years ago while going down some stone steps – her spine having been struck against the edge of one of them. It was this little girl that Frank went to see at Nice when Lord Brownlow died in his absence at Rentone. Mrs F. has come here to be near Frank. Yesterday we were fortunate in having a fine warm sunny day. Mr Ryder & I drove in the morning to Golfe-Jouan 4 or 5 miles off, the spot where Napoleon landed on his return from Elba in 1815, & then walked home about 7 miles across the lower range of hills. Nothing could be grander than the views during our walk – I dare say Mr Beamish would know the route we took. After leaving the Jouan-gulph, & seeing the country where Napn is said to have rested after landing, we went up a road winding along a deep & precipitous rocky ravine, with magnificent cork-trees on one side, to a place called Vallauris. Here we visited some of the pottery establishments

we Mrs Beamish spoke about it, & after
lunching in a small inn, went along an old Roman
road up to the St. Antoine Chapel. The views from
this spot were worth coming from England to see. On
one side Nice could be seen, with chains of mountains
rising one above the other, the highest ridges covered
with snow & lost in the clouds resting on them, the
sea below, and in the foreground the valley in which
Vallauris is placed with olive groves, orange trees covered
with fruit, &c; and just turning round & looking in the
other direction, there was Cannes, its bay, and islands,
the amphitheatre of mountains with their snowy tops,
& the long chain of the Esterels which were so
highly colored in Mrs Beamish's drawing under the
influence of sunset, but which now looked very dark
owing I believe to their being covered with forests & as
we were looking at them, in shade. The sun was
very bright & warm, & there were clouds
enough to give variety to the scenery. We stayed
some time enjoying the views, & got back again
before sunset. Frank had taken Mackie with him
on his rounds. Today is unfortunately dull &
cloudy again & raining.

I am sorry to hear about the stop to
your going to Ryde & its cause. It certainly was
better not to go under the circumstances on all accounts,
although I suppose it must probable that you will
be at Brighton. I will direct this to Wadstow
I am glad you wrote to my mother. I have
not written home nor to my sister at Worcester

— somehow with talk & interruption it is not easy to get much time for writing here. Mackn. is just now driving out with Frank on his morning rounds. The custom here is to visit patients in the morning & evg., & to be at home for consultation during certain fixed hours in the afternoon. I am glad you arranged with Curran about the money, & the fire insurance, but I can easily enclose a cheque. The business letter of Mr. Dent was very disgusting, all the more so as I believe the Dents are very wealthy. I trust Mr. Wetherall has arranged everything in a more humane way. I heard this morn. from Maclean — if you see him, thank him for his letter. I quite agree in thinking the way in which the matter about Dr. Graves was treated was the reverse of nice — but as he was had in Surgery I shall like to see his papers on my return. I have no intention of being away later than the end of the month — I have been so much away since my illness that I feel it would be wrong to be longer away than can possibly be avoided — & I do not think there is any real necessity for my absence now. I gathered from Maclean's letter that he was better, though he did not directly say so. Best love & kisses to yourself & the children —

ever affectly yours

E. L —

I see by looking back at your letters that I wrote last on the 3rd. & I suppose you will get this others will reply.

L 25/24

21 Denmark Terrace
Brighton
March 17th 1869

My dearest Son

Your letter of the 9th Last turned up, you addressed it Care of Mrs Lawrence, Lottiaw Grove, I. of Wight but forgot to put Ryde on it, so it has been taking a tour round the back of the Island. I think if you will look at the first letter you got from me at Cannes you will see that I say, thank you for your ~~letter~~ envelope from Calais & your letter from Paris. What letters have you received from me? I wrote on Wednesday the 3rd, Sunday 7th, Wednesday 10th, Friday 12th from here, & now, I have received 3 from you from Cannes including the one that came this morning.

I can see by your letters that you are altogether disappointed in Cannes, & I am dreadfully sorry, for the weather here is really horrible, & I dread the idea of your coming

home into it; it is still a N.E. wind & the ground is covered with snow, it really is bitter cold, & anything but fit for people who are not strong. I felt that if it had been really nice & you had been enjoying Cannes for a night - two I stayed & which would have been a great relief to my mind, as I really dread you coming home into this. of course I know you will do what you think to be best but remember, my own dearest, in talking to Dr Frank as to when you are to come home, that the weather here, is at this moment as bad winter weather as I wish to have in England.

I can't understand about you not getting my letters. we agreed to write every third day & I have done so. except that as I knew you could not get to Cannes till Saturday, I did not write on Wednesday the day you crossed, but wrote on Wednesday & posted on Thursday morning I think on Thursday instead, thinking you would get it either on Sunday or at any rate Monday. -

We got a good letter from home from Mary this morning. I shall & Susie's Colds better - all going on well. I shall go home on Friday or at the latest Saturday. Frank

& Hand are very nice & kind, but Frank is going to take the opportunity of my being here to go up to London for a day or two next week, this event is expected next month & he says he should not have liked to leave Geraldine. I shall & sat round time with the Newbanks yesterday, if I can I will go & see Mr Oldham before I leave, he will like to hear about Gen she was very kind the last time I was here when Buddy was not well.

Jane has been to church this morning & I stayed with Buddy & Baby, I rather wished to avoid St: Pauls, & think I shall go this evening to Mr Vaughans which is quite close. & I used very often to go with dearest Mother years ago. Billie Lamotte is a fine boy but horribly spoilt, he obeys Frank very well. but makes himself rather a nuisance to every one else he is ½ a head taller than Buddy.

I have not heard from Ryde since I came here, I am very anxious

to hear again about the Baby.

I cannot remember what was the cost of that – N. S. bond, but I will tell you when I get home. I supposed that you knew.

Isabel had a letter from Charlie last week, & they had got their orders for home. I don't think I have more to write about & I must write a line to my little Isabel as she will expect to hear from me, & I have not written yet.

Buddy & Babe send their kisses & the L's their kind regards. Mine to both Drs F. & M.

God bless you my darling

ever yours own

Rosie

Have you seen the Coolus Gordons? Effie has been laid up with bad cold on the chest –

(2 pp) L. 25/25

Villa Heure, Cannes, 15th March/69

My dearest Rosie,

Yours of the 12th has reached me this morng. I am very glad to learn you & your party are safe at Brighton. The change will be fine for I have no doubt to Buddy & I hope restful to all. I suppose Isabel rests content in the hope of going to Ryde soon - tell her I am very glad to get her letter & think it very well written & that I send her a kiss for it. Perhaps I may go to Grasse, where Dr Frank gets the preserved fruit from, & if so, I will buy some bonbons for her. Dr Mackinnon intended to go to Grasse with me, but the weather has not yet been fit. To day it is cloudy, but the air is not quite so cold - yesterday it froze during the night, & rained in the afternoon. I went to one of the French Prot. churches in the morning alone, & in the afternoon Mrs Ryder called for me & we went together to another French Prot. church on the Hyères

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side of Cannes, where a missionary sermon was preached for the Bâle (Swiss) missy society.

I hope Mummy is all right & that Isabel will get on well with Mary while you are away. For my last letter (written on 13th) I sent you a cheque for £20 - it will enable you to pay Lawrence & to be independent. All right about Capt Burgess I am glad you told him I was away. I hope Mrs Wetherall will find some place for Mrs Beaver's old servant.

The account you give of your sister's baby seems rather bad - the doctor must evidently think the child extremely low - & you order the milk & limewater I presume there is some diarrhoea or other bowel irritation. It is very unfortunate that Miss Edwards should be ill at the same time

16th March

I received a letter from Dr Crawford which a little disturbed me, from thinking that they must at Head Qrs think me more acting than I am myself aware of. He said he wrote at the request of the Dir. Gen! to urge me

to remain where I am till the end of April & that he had already arranged for my duties & that it was not necessary for me to take any steps in that matter or for an extension of my leave. Crawford wrote also "I am to add that the D.G. considers your prolonged stay at Cannes a duty you owe to the public, & to the service, as well as to yourself." I feel that I have done so little of my regular work of late that nothing but complete necessity ought to keep me longer away from it, & I am not aware that such a necessity now exists. It is true that my breathing is still short, but my general health is good, & my breathing is not more short than Parker's is. I have had a talk with Mackenzie & Frank on the subject — they think Crawford's & the D.G's remarks were only written in the

belief that staying away might be of further use to me, & that nothing more was in their minds. Frank said he would examine my chest, but there has not yet been an opportunity of his doing so — he is too much away. As you are aware I took a return ticket for Paris in the full intention of being back by the 1st of April, & unless there is something the matter with me beyond what I know I still hope to carry out the arrangement. The weather at Nice in April might with care be entail no risk to me if they made worse by it, & though it would be pleasant enough to me to be in such an atmosphere as that of Cannes, I have no right nor wish to be in it except from necessity. Today the sun is shining, & in the sunshine it is very

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warm, 75° to 80°7. — in the shade the air is cool enough, 45° to 50°7.

I have not written to Dr Beatson — please tell him all about me & about what Crawford has written & what my plans are. A letter came to me for Mr Steinmetz & I have replied to him. I am also sending a short letter to my mother, & to my sister at Worcester. This enf Frank, Mark & I, are going out to dine at Mr Cosmo Gordon's —

Best love & kisses to the children & yourself — I don't know if this will find you at Brighton: if so, my kind regards to the Lamottes.

Ever your own F. L.

L. 25 26

Brighton
March 16th

My dearest Tom

Two letters have arrived from you today, one sent on from Ryde 11th, & one from home 13th - It is a great comfort to me to have so good an account of you, & if you find not-withstanding bad weather that you are better, pray don't hurry home. it is finer today but still bitter cold, & a lecture day does not come till a week after the session begins, & Isaac is back why should you hurry when perhaps staying a little longer might make you a "perfect cure". I have been having a long talk about you with Mr Oldham today, & he says as every one else does, "tell him to be sure & not hurry home as it is the worst thing he can do." I told him that had weather you were having & everything, but he still

quite agrees with me that it must be better than it was here. Thanks for the cheque which I received all right.

I know you will be very pleased to hear that Isabel's dear little Baby is gone. I got a line from her written on Saturday in which she simply said her darling was passing away. To day it was in the "Times" & on the envelope in which she enclosed some, she says the funeral is to be on Thursday. She says the Dr. says it has proved itself to be Organic Disease of the Brain. I am very pleased for Isabel she has done every thing for that little Babe since his birth & they perfectly understood one another & she could not bear to be away from her, so that she will miss him terribly, too I know. She is the best person to write him back & he will understand & realize in time his perfect bright happiness, in

such hands, but it will be very hard to bear. I have written to ask if I can do anything to help her, or whether it would be any comfort if I went there, for of course if it is his disease of the brain there can be no reason why I should not go to her, & I can't bear to think of her sorrow & do nothing to help her. I trust it will not make Percy worse.

If the weather is fine I may stay here till Saturday, but I shall go home either Friday or Saturday. The childrens colds here are much better, but of course I have not let them out in the muddy bad day, & that if it is fine I think a day longer here would do them no harm. Very good letters from Mary from home, all well there & the Childrens Colds better.

A letter has come from Col: Grinston asking if you can help him in getting

the governor ship of Winchester Gaol
I am willing to tell him about you.
he writes from "The Elms" Rugby, that
he says they are first-rate for education,
no other letters of any importance, in fact
<u>none</u>. No letter from Mrs Wetherell.
I called on Mrs Oldham yesterday, &
left my card on which I wrote that I
was staying here till Friday, not to trouble
to call on me, as I had only called because
I thought she would like to hear about
you. he was very nice.
All here are well & send greetings to
you. I must not write more as it
is almost dinner time, & I must go &
make myself decent.
God bless you my dearest
Ever your own
Rosie

Kisses from the children.
If Isabel wishes me to go to her, I will ask
Dr Aitken first whether it is all right for two days.

L. 25/27

Villa Neuve, Cannes.

Thurs: Eve. 10th March

My dearest Rosie,

I have just returned from an excursion with Mackn & Mr Ryder to Mentone, Monaco, & Nice, & find here yr letter of the 14th. Yesterday & today have been as hot as the hottest summer day in England while the sun was shining - I only wish you could have had some of it to temper the bitter cold & to have melted the snow, which you write of in yr letter.

It was a stupid omission not to have put Ryde on my letter to you, but I'm glad it turned up all right at last. I think my letters will have explained the order in which I received yours. It seems to be about the 4th day, as per date so, after yr letters are written that they are delivered here. You will have returned home when this reaches you as you mention to-morrow, a Saty, in leaving Brighton. I am glad to hear you are going to try & see Oldham - Supposing I carry out my intention of leaving Cannes on Saty the 27th, & you write in reply to this, your letter will just reach me - you writing by mail of 22nd & I getting your letter on the 26th -

There has not been an opportunity yet for Frank to examine my chest. I have some aching on my right side occasionally, which I don't quite understand, but I hope it is nothing of importance, though sufficient to induce me to take care. During my excursion of the last two days I have avoided taking so much exercise, especially in walking up hill, as I should otherwise have done and as Mackn & Mr Ryder did. I shall try & get Frank to exe me

to-morrow or Sat. for I want to write to Crawford & I have deferred doing so till I have had Frank's opinion about the necessity for my staying longer than I have arranged to do. If he thinks Nice or any position need for my staying, I will do so although I have taken a return ticket for March.

The excursion to Mt C. I have referred above was settled very unexpectedly to me. On Tues: Xmas Day I dined with Mr Cosmo Gordon & had a very agreeable party. Mrs Hoare, staying in the same hotel had 6 friends to dinner & Mrs Gordon 6, & after dinner we had some very excellent music. Mrs H. an old lady of 82, but as active as most ladies of 52, hearing I had been unwell, sent her close carriage for me, & also sent us home in it. Frank could not go, & on Mrs G's & my return we found Mrs Ryder & F. sitting together, & it was then settled we should go next day to Mentone &c Mrs R. who knows all these places well, acting as our Cicerone. We took by carriage along the old road by Antibes, Var &c to Nice, breakfasted at the H. des Anglais on the promenade des Anglais, - took another carriage (a vetture) by the Corniche road, one of the most wonderful roads in the world as regards engineering & scenery, to Mentone. We spent some time in seeing Mentone, drove to the Pont St Louis & crossed into Italy, (French sentries on one side of the bridge Italian on the other) & at 5 P.M. left M. for Monaco. We arrived at Monaco in time for dinner, went to see the gambling at the Casino, a most extraordinary scene, & got to bed early. This morning we got up at ½ p.6. M & F Gordon went to see the gardens about the H. de Paris. & after breakfast we drove up to see the old town of Monaco, with its wonderful gardens on the rocks overhanging the sea - the gardens crowded with various kinds of aloes, palms, geraniums growing like weeds, stocks growing wild all over the rocks wherever a hold could be got on the face of the cliffs, the sea at a great depth below; & all around the old fortifications. I don't think I ever saw more luxuriant vegetation even in India. Then we went to the Prince of Monaco's palace, & so down to the station of the railway, & on to Nice. We spent several hours here - driving up to see the ruins of the Roman amphitheatre, & the Convent of St Lucie, & then back to Luncheon. Afterwards we drove up to a high position - the top of the tower of Nice, & got a complete view of the old & new cities with their grand amphitheatre of mountains. At ½ p. 3 we left Nice for Cannes again. Frank & Mackinnon are gone out to a dinner party, & I might have occupied myself in writing this. I might have gone to dine at the Ryders, but I felt tired & mean to go to bed early. I have a letter from Clendining at Paris asking me to dine there on the 29th & I have promised to do so, provided no change is made in my arrangements. I wrote to him to enquire about the address of the manufacturers of a peculiar rotatory machine for watering gardens which Charlotte wished me to enquire about & he has just sent it me. You must have heard me mention that Clendining was formerly Paymaster of the 19th Regt. He was civility itself always ready to execute any commissions I may ask him to do for me.

I was sorry to hear about Captain Gordon having been ill - I hope he is better - Mr Cosmo G. told me he had not heard lately from him.

19th March - another sunny clear day.
I am sorry to call on the Gardens as they
leave I believe tomorrow for Paris, & I
wish therefore close this now - the party
leaves early in the afternoon. Mackie
still intends to leave for Paris on
Sunday 30th. - he has met numerous
friends of his here. He sends
his kind regards as does also Dr
MacShane who is sitting in the room
at present - he has escaped wonderfully
well, - does not look any worse than he did
when he left Netley. People seem to
think that the bad weather is over
here now. Best love & kisses
to you all, ever affectly yours
F. L—

Brighton L. 25/28

March 19th 1869

My dearest Lou

I must send off a line by Edgefoot to tell you that we are all right; No I don't think I have much else to communicate.

We have had altogether the most horrible weather since we have been here yesterday being the first day we have seen the sun, & then only for about an hour & a half. F. & B. persuaded me to stay till tomorrow in hopes of today being fine, but it is pouring hard, & very rain & wretched. I waited partly in hope of being able to get Baby photographed but it has been quite impossible, so we must take our chance of getting it done at home some time. I think Buddy has enjoyed it, but with standing, he has got on very well with the boy here & has been very good & happy. Baby has been more inclined to be fidgetty, having left charge

in the house less than at home, & I think bothered by another double tooth. Yesterday they all went on the Pier, & she was delighted, trotting about all by herself. I have had no particular letters, except one from Isabel. the little Baby has buried yesterday in the Cemetery. Poor Isabel writes as I knew she would, much more full of her Baby's loveliness than her own sorrow, she says "the only sadness to me is Percy's terrible grief - I can't help fearing it must have a bad effect; & I suppose it is from feeling ill, that makes him unable to restrain himself" - I am afraid from that, he must be very bad. The doctor had an exam: & said there was decided "Tubercle Disease" of the Brain, & that he could not have lived, & that in all her sorrow there is still very much to be thankful for as there always has been in all sorrows that have come to Mohans. I have of

course given up all idea of taking the children there; but I shall go down next week for a day if possible, & I think Isabel would like to have Mummy & Jo will take her down by boat & come back myself.

I wrote to Col: Grimston & told him about us.

I wrote home yesterday, & told them to bring the carriage to Mell - us at Bolby to-morrow at 12.30, so we shall be home in good time for dinner. We leave here at 10.20.

I saw D. Maclean before leaving home he did not seem very well, but I did not find out that there was much the matter with him. Has worked a very hideous frock for Baby, & sent it to me just before I left home.

I will write on Sunday from home & post it - on Monday morning certain or perhaps Sunday night.

I have heard no more from

Mr. Wetherell, but expect I shall find
one at home. –

Your letters make me wish dreadfully
to be with you, but if only you will come home
much better I shant care, & please do by
the advice of your friends about coming
home, it is as horrible here as ever it
can be, & my fingers are so cramped
with the cold I can hardly write.

Good news from all at home. The
children here send kisses. F. & H. send
their very kind regards.

God bless you my dearest
Ever your own
Rosie. –

(2 pp)

Cannes. 20th March. Satty. L 25/29

[1869]

My dearest Rosie. I sent off a letter to you yesterday & mentioned on the envelope that yours of the 16th had just reached me as I was going to post it. I am very sorry to hear of your sister's distress - she will feel the loss all the more because the child was delicate & had occupied so much of her time & care. There can be no risk in your going to Ryde - the poor child's death has apparently been caused by the same disease as Stewart's infant died from, & it is not one that is communicable to others. Perhaps when writing to Lewis a Conroy you may like to insert the notice of the poor child's death & the paper being torn up here. I enclose the part concerned. Did you observe the notice of Clay's father's death in the same list? it is not long since he lost his mother. — I heard from Capt. Burgess & have replied to him. It is curious that Mr Wetherall has not written, but you will probably see & hear from him soon.

I don't know when Franck will make an examn of me. I don't like speaking much to him about it - he is so much occupied. He spoke of examg my chest to-day - but he has just recd a telegram which takes him away to Nice for a consultation. Mackinnon is going with him, & I have accepted an invitation to take a drive with a Mrs & Miss Bathurst to see some places in the neighbourhood.

21st I will copy what I have just written to Crawford, as it will tell you my arrangements about returning home. Of course I do not like throwing away the £2-4. I have paid for my return journey from Paris, but I am ready to do so if absolutely necessary. You will see Mackinnon before long as he is engaged to dine with the Humphreys & to go with them to the Volunteer Ball at Southampton on the 29th Inst.

This is the part of the letter to Crawford to which I refer. — "There has been no

opportunity of getting the exn of my chest made
till this morning. The result of it has been that
unless I get information of the weather in
England being very severe & improper towards the
end of the month I am to be back at the end
of my leave – by the 7th of April. My shortness of
breathing is less than it was, there being no
active mischief now in the lung: what dyspnoea
I have is due to some solidification about the upper
lobe & emphysema of the lower, on the right
side" (this pr dictation, M. or P.) "conditions I can't
expect to get rid of here any more than I can at
Netley. The only thing to guard against on my part
is a fresh attack of bronchitis, & this I may hope
to avoid by proper care at home, provided there is
ordinary April weather in England. I can't help
feeling that I have been so much away from usual
work at Netley, that I ought not to keep longer
away than absolute necessity requires, & it would
depress me considerably to have to do so. But I am
fully sensible of Dr Logan's kindness in sending me
the permission, & I will take advantage of it if
prudence dictates my doing so."

I think the determination expressed above is the
right one, & I hope the weather at the end of the month
may be such as to let me return to you at home. Best
love & kisses to all the children & grandchildren, ever affy yours.

F. N.

L. 25/30

Brighton

Sunday March 21st

1869

My dearest Jon

You will be surprised at my letter being dated from here, but the weather has been so horrible that I put off our departure for home till Saturday, in hopes of a fine day coming on Friday, instead of which it poured all day. about 12:30 on Friday night, a tremendous gale came on quite suddenly, waking me out of my sleep & nearly frightening me out of my wits, for the rain gurgled in at the windows, & the Venetian blinds blew about & made, this whilst on all night - & Saturday morning was frightful a heavy gale from the N. E. & torrents of rain, so that tho' we were all packed up & ready to start, I could not help agreeing with the rest - that it would be a great risk for the children changing trains &c in such weather. So I sent a telegram to Georgy telling Meet us by the same train

on Monday. Weather here too bad to start.
This I sent off time enough, I hope, to
prevent Georgy going to Bolley. It has been
terribly disappointing to have such bad
weather all the time, we had sunshine
for about an hour & a half on Thursday
& that is all we have had since
he came.

I got yours of the 15th all right; I
daresay I shall find another when
I get home tomorrow. Dont be too
much troubled at the D.G.'s messages, I am
quite sure that D.s for h. are right & that
all he only bothers you to feel quite at
liberty to do whatever is best, & they all
wish you to get really well, & not to come
home & knock up again. I am quite sure
you will not do any thing foolish in big
things even if I do class you almost sometimes
not to stand at the front door without a
hat &c, & I rest content in that belief
& feel that you are in the hands of an
individual whose opinion is respected by

wont advise you wrong. if being away is really doing or going to make you strong well I shant grumble, but you know what my own selfish wishes would be, so whichever you do I shall believe it to be all right.

If you are out & could get some of the bulbs of those Anemones I should much like to have them, if they would grow, the flower you sent me is the largest I have ever seen. It must be a beautiful place shelter etc Climate is good or not.

The childrens colds are almost gone & Freddy I think has enjoyed himself very much, & has been remarkably well, no aches I took them this afternoon to see ~~Aunt~~ Mrs Robarts. This morning I set out going to Mr Rogers, & went to Mr Vaughans where I used to go in 58 - with dearest Mother we had a very good sermon & I enjoyed it very much, it reminded me of old times & being with her. Today is the day she died 9 years ago, I can hardly believe it.

Next Sunday & will be Easter, & I suppose
you will be in Paris. I wish it had come
a little later that so — might have been
home, but if can go somewhere & stay to the
Sacrament. I shall at Pear Tree, if all is well
& should like to feel you were too.

All spring is well at home.

The Tea bell has just — ~~rung~~ rung so I must
stop. God bless you my Own

Ever your affectt

Rose.

L 25/31

Woolston

March 22nd

My dearest Son

Only got home at four o'clock & forgot till this moment (7.10) that it was the 22nd. So just a line to say we are all right. The Intelligence time table which carried me all right to Brighton was wrong about the Train back, & we had to put Doris to bed & wait an hour which was not agreeable tho' we managed all right - as Baby slept & I had a book I could read to Daddy.

All well here. Mrs Deaton has been in, & says Dr Webb comes next Tuesday (not tomorrow).

Dr (& Mrs) Cardwell is to pay a visit to the Hospl on the Easter Monday. Dr Aitken told me this.

A good & kind letter from Mr Wetherall I am going with Dr A. to see this

old woman as tomorrow.

I am very glad to hear so good a report of yourself & that you have been enjoying yourself.

If I find on arriving Cannes on Saturday I will address a letter to you at the Hotel de Londres.

I must not write more as this must go to Post. Still very cold here, & every body with very bad colds. All the Lamottes & Harkers in Chorus. Mrs Dearly well I'm thankful to say.

God bless you my Dearest

Everyours

Rosalie Lonsdale.

Jervis is appointed to Hong Kong Confirmed. & he started about the 15th of this month.

L 25/32

Wroxton

March 26th 1869

My dearest Tom

A note has just come from Dr Parkes telling him of your telegram & your decision to remain at Cannes. I am sure you are right to do so, but now it has come to the scratch I can't help being disappointed tho' I am quite sure you have decided rightly. I could not help looking forward to your return, & I could not help dreading it, for the weather is very cold here, & cold of the worst sort - bitter winds from the N. & N.E. - This morning I have been busy over handing all your cloth garments, cleaning up your uniform coat & hacking bits of the light of public it shortly. My beautiful Castle has tumbled down, & my throat at this particular moment is rather cloky, tho' all the rubbish in my mind is greatly relieved, & I do feel thankful for an in such good hands, out of this horrible weather. I should have written yesterday, only your last letter

made us feel almost sure you would be
home today, & then it would have been
no use writing to Cowes again.
I went down to Ryde yesterday by the 9 o'clock
boat & spent the day with Isabel. She seems
just as I knew she would be, rejoicing so
much in her darling's safety & hoping that
as the days, she can see his dear face when
she thinks of him; ~~but the days~~ tho' the
days she misses him more every day. But
poor Percy is so terribly broken hearted, that
having everything to do & think of for him
I think has been good for her. Poor fellow
he could not speak to me yesterday about
him without quite breaking down. The
children are all well, & have brought
Willie home with us for a week while
Percy is at home for his Easter holidays
as Isabel thought the two would be more
than Percy could stand. It was fearfully
cold going to Ryde yesterday, but was warmer
coming back. It did not do me any harm,
but rather good, for the small remains of
Cold I had seems better today. I wrote to-

Mont-Henry

Robert-Benson writes he says he is afraid he cannot help us, or tell us how to help ourselfves, he says he has had many such requests before but has never been able to do anything. He has a very good sort of letter. Tom his brother W. Benson, was one of the J.P's for Hampshire, in those days the Governorship of Winchester Gaol so I asked him to mention Col: Grimston this brother. I forget whether I told you a letter had come from Col: G. ~~enclosing~~ enclosing a list of the Hampshire J.P's saying he wished to get the Appt: of Governor of Winchester, & could you help him. I am really sure there are no others who have, & am going to write to Col: G. telling him what I have done, & saying the others are I am really sure unknown to you.

I have a very good letter from Charlie today. He is wishing me to get Pondies Jacket which I dont quite know how to do. if only one could get to London for 2/6 hundred in would be. I must-

not write more now. I will write again on Saturday or Sunday.

The children here are all well, & have just come in from Ventnor, except Isabel who they have left behind till Monday she was ~~dreadfully~~ disappointed if Ryde & has been very good. So I thought a few days with Lancie would be the best treat for her. Mrs Bradley was delighted with them. God bless you my own

Ever your most affec.

Rose

Baby sends me a kiss especially for you.

(2pp)

L. 25/33

Villa Neuve, Cannes,

Thurs. 25th. March 1864

My dearest R.

I yesterday got yr. letter of Sunday 21st, giving such a terrible account of the weather you were having at Brighton. With it came a letter from Parker urging me not to return home before going to Berlin. Dr MacShane was with me when the letters arrived. He recd me to show them to Frank on his return home & to agree to abide by his decision - he knowing all my reasons for wishing to get back to Netty. I agreed to this, but Frank was not back till a late hour. He decided I should not go, & so I do. I have just sent a telegram to Parker to that effect. I telegraphed to Parker as I thought a telegram to you direct from Cannes might startle you, but asked Parker to inform you of the decision come to. And so all my plans

are upset, & I am feeling anything but bright on the occasion. To go from here to Berlin, whether I go on the French, or on the Austrian, side of Switzerland seems a very long and intricate journey, & must be a very expensive one. On the other hand to return to England in such weather as appears to prevail there & to have to leave it again in time to reach Berlin on the 22nd of April, is running a risk, which, if I happened to get a bad cold, I should be greatly blamed for after so many warnings & so much advice against returning. I know I am not yet weather-proof. I drove yes-terday in an open carriage to Grasse

– The morning was fine when we left Cannes, but before getting to Grasse it clouded over, and at Grasse rained heavily. The drive back, though I did not get wet, was chilly, & some rheumatism about the muscles of my chest & a little more morning cough, have since told me I had better remained at home. Today again is a dull & chilly day for this part of the world. I suppose it will all come right & I shall find my way in due course to Berlin & back again to Woolston, but the alteration of my plans makes me feel very unsettled.

I am glad you did not travel from Brighton in such weather as you had there on the 18th, & that you

will have got home before this without having caught cold, yourself or the children.

I bought yesterday at Grasse a box of bonbons & some scents distilled (or rather taken direct by a curious process from the flowers themselves - not by distillation & getting their essential oils as is ordinarily done) from the flowers which grow in this neighborhood. I was to have carried them with me on Sat - now I suppose I must arrange for sending them in the same way that Frank's boxes reached us -

Mackenzie will be surprised at my change of plans - I will try &

write to him so that he may get a letter from me in London - I must also write to Crawford &c - Dr Beatson I need hardly write to, as you can tell him all I have written in this note.

I will go either to the English or French Protestant church on Sunday morning & will stay to Sacrament & shall think of you at Peartree Green church.

I was very glad to hear all were well at home & trust they are continuing so. I must now write to Parker, even if you are

Best love & kisses to children & Nest -

T - L.

I will enquire about the anemones - I am not sure they have bulbous roots - I have since seen some nearly 3 times the size of what I sent you, in a Garden belonging to a Mr. Thwaites at Battersea - But as regards the wild ones wh take the place of our poppies & are as thickly spread, it is rather the beauty of their various colours & forms than their large size which attracts notice

Villa Neuve, Cannes, Saty 27 March/64

L. 25/34

My dearest Rosie/

Please open the ~~flat~~ flat mahogany box containing some of my papers – the one that used to be under the wagon in the dining room – & find the one of Miss Nightingale's letters which refers to Volunteer aid in time of war. I want to have her expressions regarding it – particularly me where she says something to the effect of Volunteer assistance only being practicable when it is amalgamated with the regular Government establishment – not as independent voluntary aid. I think I made a pencil note on the outside of the envelope of the letter as to the nature of its contents. If you can find the sentences I allude to, please copy them for me in yr next letter.

I am getting reconciled to the new arrangement of staying at Cannes till I go on to Berlin, but I shall be rather disappointed if I find the weather in England has changed to being fine & warm.

I have written to Berlin to ask if it is necessary for me to have my uniform there. If it is I must ask Dr Beaton to order for me a new pouch belt & sword belt at his tradesman's (where I got my forage cap), & then I must have my uniform in the tin box, my sword, & cocked hat, sent to await my arrival at Berlin. I will write as soon as

I get a reply from Berlin on the subject. I hope I may not be required to have it.

Did the promised copies of my Treatise come to you yet?

My pay & allowances will be due at the beginning of April, but I suppose they can hardly be issued without a receipt from me. Will Mr Harnsworth send you & your then send me here the necessary papers to fill up? Consult Aitken about this. If there is any difficulty, they must wait till I return. it won't make much difference

Shortell asked me to find out for him at Paris, the place where the "whirligig grass watering machines" are sold, the price &c. I wrote to Clendining from here to find out — my object being to save time when on my return to Paris. Now I am not sure there, it is as well that I ascertained about them by writing. I enclose address — the price, as you see, is 70 francs. I will speak to Shortell about it on my return.

Earlier Sunday. I wrote the above Memo yesterday to have them ready for sending when I heard from you again. Your letter of the 25th has reached me today. I am glad now I telegraphed on the subject of my remaining here for the present. I should have been much happier if the weather had been fine & settled & I had been able to leave Cannes as I intended Yesterday. The weather is very cold here, frost & snow fell on the mountains last night, & there is a good deal of wind — but the air is bright

& sunny. I watch the reports of the weather in the Times, & I see that for some days past the Barom. has been lower along this coast than any where in England or North of Europe. But the temperature has been several degrees higher. I am stronger in all respects, including my chest. Tell Mackn I have begun a course of arsenic in the same doses he took it, 3 times a day. I only began yesterday, so cannot say much about its effects in my breathing yet.

I am glad to hear you visit to Ryde did you no harm. You do not say whether you took Mimmy with you as you intended. No doubt Tom's illness makes him more unable to fight against his deep depression & grief than he would otherwise be. You named to me about Granville Lepic - I hardly think he is likely to get the Governorship of Winchester Gaol, unless he himself has private interest with the Lord Lieut. of the county. I wonder what Charlie still wishes to get a jacket, - it could hardly reach Halifax before he will be preparing for a start home, judging by the papers, & I should think it would be more satisfactory for Mrs Charlie to choose for herself.

I was at the English church this morning & remained there for the Communion. I thought of you, and I prayed that we might be together hereafter in Heaven as we have been by God's ordering together on earth, with all that are dear to us.

Mary keeps much love to the children & myself & ever affectionately yours

J. L. C.

Wm. Jamieson may take his own stamps (enclosed) & the credit.

Woolton. L. 25/35

March 28th Easter Sunday

My dearest Lou

Yours of the 25th arrived all right this morning. I am sorry to hear that you have not been well, & a great disappointment to you not to come home & begin regular trips again, & a great disappointment to me not to have you as I expected, I am quite sure, as far as we can see from home down right - in stopping where you are. The weather here has not altered in the least, the wind keeping to the N. with a little E. or W. in it, it varied every hour & then by a turn round to due E. yesterday we had quite heavy thunder storms several times & today we have had it also. The glass has been going down pretty steadily & that if the wind goes round I suppose we shall have rain. it is still very cold. We are all well here, no colds or any thing. I went to Church this morning, & staged to the Sacrament, I thought of you, & thanked God that we could be

be together in that way, if not in any other, only Easter Sunday would have been brighter to me if you could have been with me.

Isabel is at the Athenæum tomorrow as I think I told you.

This afternoon I have been with Willie & the children for a walk down by the shore, out of the way of the wind. Willie is very much improved & is a very good sort of boy.

Poor little Minnie Tyler I am afraid is very ill, I don't know exactly how to explain it, but I believe ill-is dropsy & her kidneys in a very wrong condition. I could see Dr Mackern was rather anxious about her yesterday.

Mary Beaton spent part of the afternoon & the evening with me on Friday. Her little brother Willie joined us & Willie is sailing his boat so I had mine too. They had the same game in the bathing & seemed very well pleased. Dr Webb comes on Tuesday Dr Beaton told me.

I hope you will find the

Journey to Berlin as cadet. She thanks respectfully. but when she writes tell her what is to be done about form, Mr Bearing suggested getting Cox & Co to lend it.—

Sent the Cheque to Mr Leech for the rent: his acct: was £20.14.4, & she had written £20.14.5, but was all right.

I suppose I had better ask Curran for money. on the first— the Sewells quarters are due, £15. I shall want £5 for myself & the chicks, & there will be the weekly bills which run from £5-6 a week. I have still got some of the £10, out of the £20 Cheque for rent and but this week will clear it out. Our ~~Ex~~ expedition to Brighton cost altogether everything £3.10.0 so I don't think I was very extravagant. George ~~would~~ is waiting for the letters so I must not add more now. I trust you are not really the worse for your drive to Frome.

Miss Batterbee is a great friend of Polly

Nicholson.

Never mind about the Americans app-
are not coming straight home.

I wrote to poor Mother yesterday & told
her all about you.

God bless you for my darling. another
month seems a terrible long time to look
forward to

with love from
Rosie.

Thanks for minding about the
telegram. D. P. saw me from
bed to-day this morning. D. A better

L 25/36

Woolston
April 30th 1869

My dearest

I have just come home from the Dramishes, & tho' it is rather late I must begin a line to you. I meant to have written this afternoon, but not being able to see Dr. Aitken to ask about Mr. Cardwell's visit, & a visit from Dr. Mackinnon to me, prevented my doing so. I was very glad to see Dr. Mackinnon again, & he gave me a flourishing account of you, tho' I know quite well by your letters how you are. it is pleasant to be told you are pretty right. Dr. M. says I am to send his love to you both, & he wishes he had stopped with you, as he is very down. he is in a great state about all sorts of things, but chiefly the Chaplain, I did my best to stroke him down & begged him not to run his own head against a wall, but by all accts. Mr. Hobson must be going on in a very queer fashion, & Mary Beaton says none of the Officers ever hardly go to Church there now, he preached from the

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it is possible the
Hoppd the Fencil
Ever being at Dover.
Sergt. Maynard as
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for the crusiespon
Portsmouth by order
& not dined, & this
has been all his
words poor boy.
I've a letter from
him this mor.
for Dennis
Sailors come
he is coming
before the twelfth

Communion Rails on Good Friday, other
never have the Litany now in the Morning Service.
I have not been there. If it does
not make it over freight - I will enclose in
this all letter from Connie to us, telling us about
the N. Z. bank. he gives a horrible acct: of the
state of affairs out there, but it is not of
so late a date as the newspaper news. This
morning just brought a long letter from Lucy
Somerset from Rookie their old station. She gives
a very miserable acct: of her own health, & says
the heat in the Red Sea & Indian Ocean, undid
all the good she got in the S. of France, & since
her arrival in India, she has had another
attack of Inflammation in the same lung that
was bad before she left; so poor girl, I am afraid
she is anything but right. the Baby she says
is getting on very nicely. -
Dr Aitken says that Mrs Cardwell will read
a very uninteresting paper. the General had
lunch for them & asked all the Seniors to meet
them, & afterwards they went all over the Hospl.
Bishop W: going with Mrs Cardwell, but Mr C.
said very little however much he might have
felt: he was only here an hour & a ½ & went off
by the 5 o'clock train. Sir J. Lizard has with them.
Yesterday I went over to Hamble mail before lunch

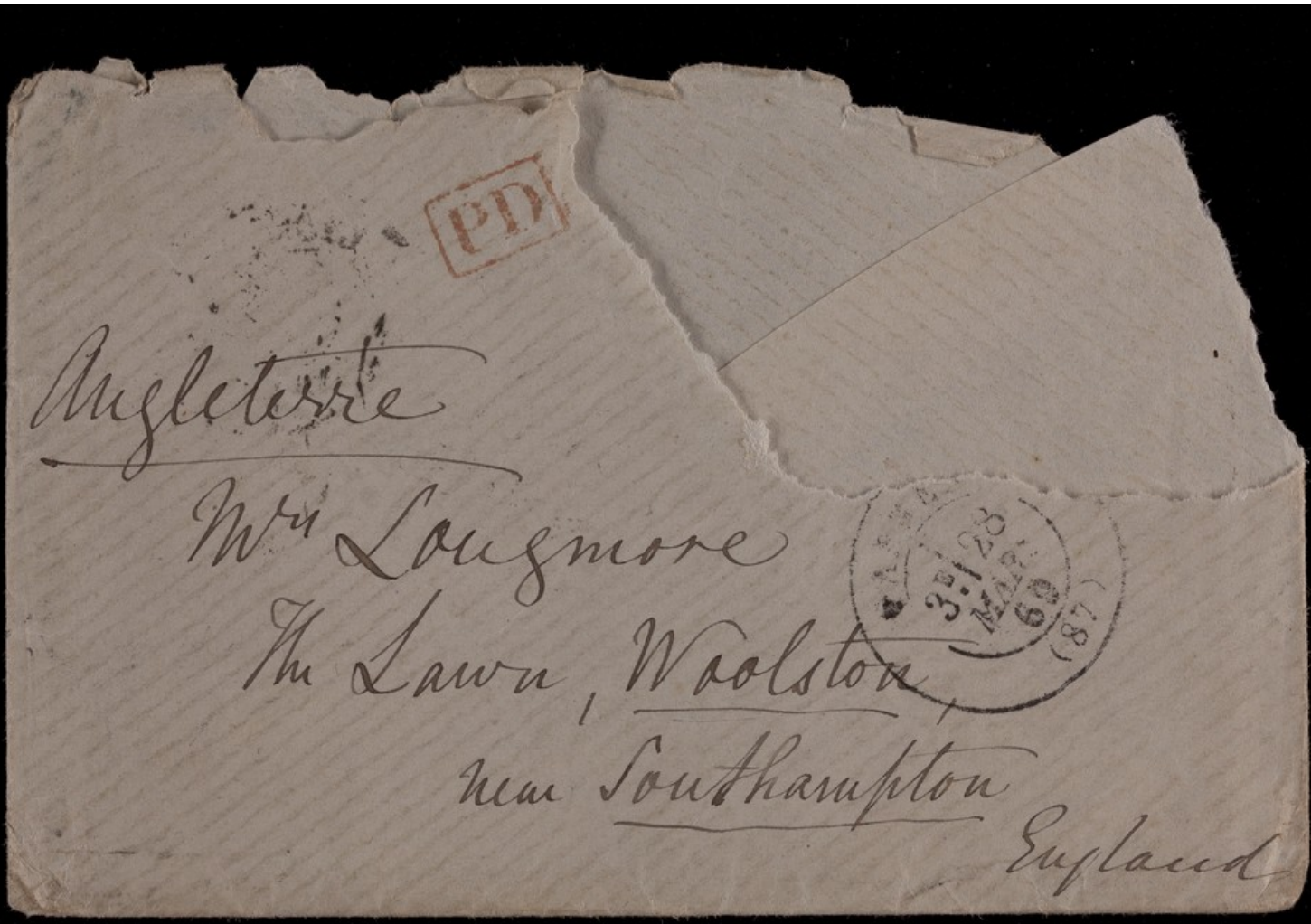
& spent the afternoon there talking to all the different people. I sat some time with Mrs. Gl. also at Mr Bradleys, the Rashleighs, & Atkins'. Mr Sanderson was out. I also saw the Freemans. They have a whole house full of young ladies to p[ractise] the ~~part~~ Volunteer Fancy Ball tonight. Thank goodness I am writing to you instead. Willie went into the Bellamonts with me tonight - & has been playing Chess with the old man, who has been very much struck with his hand & begged me to send him in tomorrow that he may take a drawing of it. The old fellows spirit - arrange-ments dont interest him at all, but his hands do very much, & I trust I shall be able to tell you exactly what you are like (of course by your hand) when you come home. They are very kind & nice & I like them very much as I get to know them better. Poor little Annie Tyffo is still very bad tho' if anything rather better today. I suppose she does get well at last - must be a very long affair.

I must go to bed now & finish tomorrow morning, but I feel I am just in a writing humour, & it is getting towards our old hours. Good night - My own. -

March 31st - Your letter 25th has just arrived. I have found two letters of mine as referring to Vail in time of War. I have copied the bit that was written on stuck paper & enclose what was written on them. I hope it is what you want. I should have copied both, but I want to get this off by the morning post & have very little time, & such cold fingers it is difficult

quite well. I am very glad you are getting more happy about remaining at Cannes. The weather here is fine - ~~like~~ the same, & I think means to ~~do~~ remain so. The children are all very well now that I have kept them in the last two days, we have not seen the sun, it has been blowing almost a gale from the N.E., so I thought they could get no good by going out, the cold are all gone, & I don't want them back again. Your uniform shall mail right if it is wanted, but I can't help thinking you'd to have it, those foreign fellows always do, & I should like you to look pretty like an English Officer not any English black coat - & I hope you will tell me to send it. No copies of your book have come yet; shall I do any thing about them. — I will talk to Dr A. about your pay. — also myself not to tell when you ought to pay your insurance money, Life insurance I mean, because Dr A would manage that - I have no doubt. I will tell Shortell about the machine. I think much home building has made him mad he has never been near here since I came back from Brighton, before I went, I asked him to do several little things in the house for me, all of which he measured & said he had lots of time, liked to do it - & all that, he has never done a single thing or been near the place, but a-ce while I was away he looked in for a minute on his way to Dittons. If his house building is not soon finished I think he will go daft. I must send this off. God bless you my dearest. It was a comfort to be together on Sunday my own.

Ever your most affte
R. Longmore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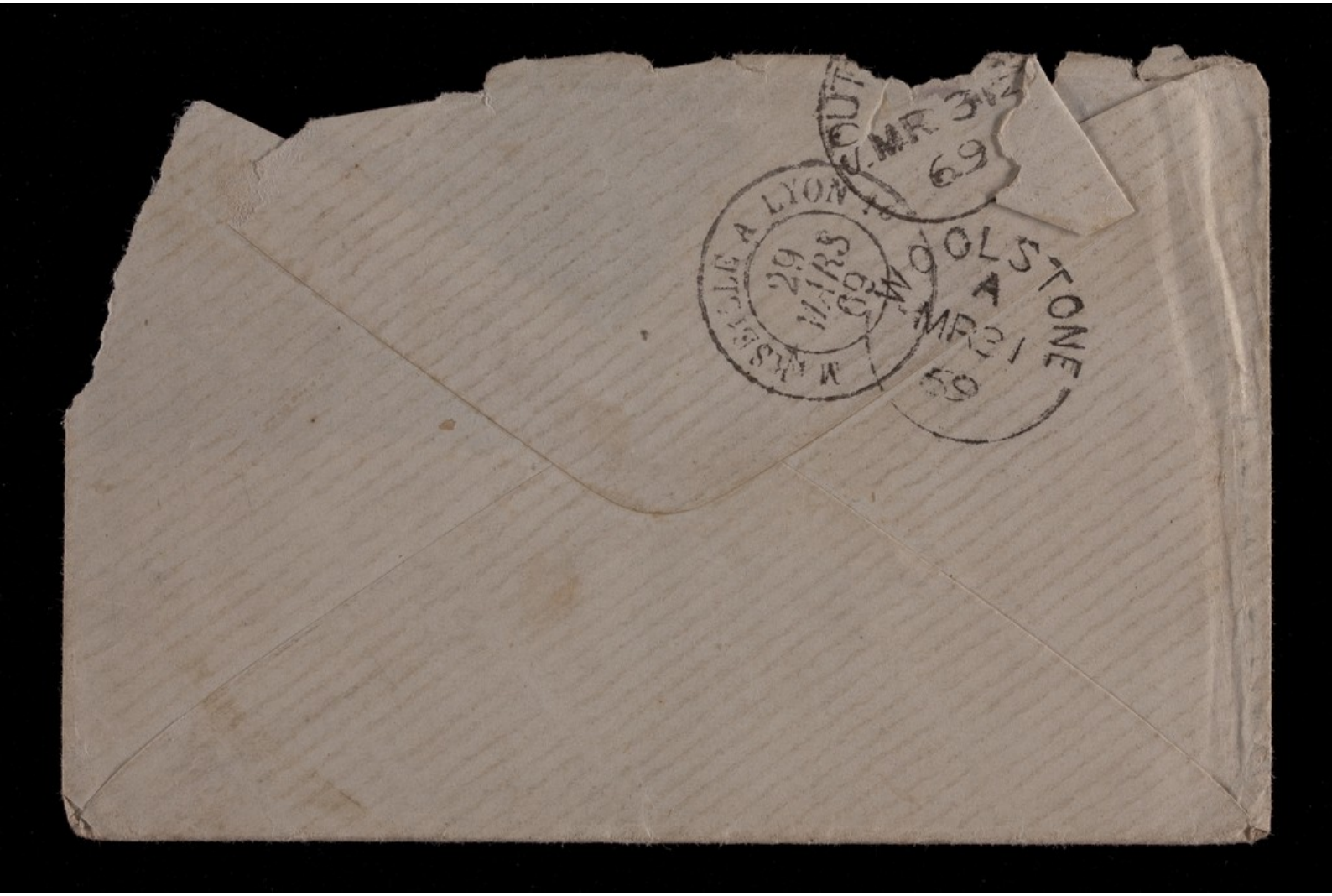
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Villa Renee, Cannes,

Wed. 31 March 69

My dearest Rosie

The cold & blowing weather is continuing here. Yesterday was dry, sunny, & clear, really hot for some time in the sun, but the night before the Therm: had gone down two degrees below the freezing point, & the air in the shade remained cold all day. This morning we have had heavy rain, & hail, & the lowest hills around Cannes are now white. The sun - it is now nearly 12 - has not yet appeared. I wonder whether the blowing weather is still prevailing at home. Although so cold yesterday, it was still delightful enough to sit outside in the sun - the air was so bright & clear, & the views so beautiful, but today is altogether the reverse - grey & gloomy.

I was introduced yesterday to Mrs Bailey - a great friend of the Fysher. She & her daughter are staying in the same hotel as Dr Mac Shane. I also called on some of the persons whom Mr Beamish mentioned to me. Mr. Woolfield was in bed with a bad cold, so I did not see him, but I will call again before I leave Cannes. I had a long talk with Mr. Bellenden Ker, whom I found a very amusing & intellectual old gentleman - he sent very kind remembrances to Mr & Mrs Beamish, & a message or two to Mr. Beamish which I will deliver on my return home. I also called on Dr Whiteley, but he was out - Give my kind remembrances to the Beamishes when you mention the above.

I have sent by railway today a box to your address. It contains Mr. Beamish's book on Cannes - take off the cover

which has my name on it & return it with thanks. You will find in the packing case the box of bonbons of which I hope much - I hope it will reach you without being much disturbed. I think the bonbons right to be kept dry - especially the violet & orange flower leaves, which are a new bonbon to me - the violet flowers look like green tea. The pralines strawberries are very nice. I also send a small box containing some pommade made in the way I named to you, & some bottles of scents for handkerchiefs. If you notice the pommade, you will observe how exactly it has the scent of the real flower. Let me know when they reach you, & if safely - I have paid here the cost of carriage as well as the custom dues.

The broken Adams' Inhaler which is in the case, ask Shotter to carry to the hospital when he calls - it is for Dr. Fyffe.

I sent you a letter by the late post on Sunday Eve. I expect a letter will come from you this afternoon - so I will not finish this till I have rec'd yours.

Wedy. Eve. The person I sent with the box of which I have written above, found it impossible to get it sent [illegible] to Woolston - their custom seems to be to send things to London only - & they did not know what to charge to Southn. I have therefore been to the town & altered the address to Mr Salmon, at my lodgings No. 7 Wells St: Jermyn St. I will enclose a note for him to send the box by the S. Western railway on to you.

I paid 20 francs to send the box on to London - this includes all charges. I enclose the receipt, it will be as well to keep it in case of reference.

Read the note to Mr Salmon & add any thing that may occur to you to be necessary. It will be well to address it to "Mr Salmon, or his successor, 7. Wells St. W." - Mr S. was to leave I think this month. I will now send this letter off at once without waiting for the post delivery, so that the letter to Mr Salmon may be sure to reach him as soon as the box. Perhaps it may be as well to enclose your address on slate on a card so that he may tack it on the box.

I have nothing to add. It has been raining nearly all day, but the temp^re is milder than in the morning. If it only lucky I brought my thick clothes with me, I have hardly required as do I seem likely to require any there over. Best love & kisses to all the children & to yourself. Kind regards to all friends. Tomorrow in the opening after school, ask Aitken about it & let me know how all goes off - Let me know too when you require a cheque & to what amount. Ever your own T. L—

L. 25/38

Villa Neuve. 1st April, 64

My dearest Rosie, Yr letter of Easter Sunday reached me just after I sent mine of yesterday, telling you about the box sent to Mr. Salmon's. I was very glad to learn you were so free all of you from colds, in spite of the very bad weather. I suppose Annie Tyssie's illness is consequent on the Scarlatina - the drops appears like it. I hope to get better accounts from you of her in yr next letter - I am very sorry that Tyssie should have such a cause of anxiety - my kind remembrances to them. Frank & I dined with the Ryders last evg, & after dinner we drove (in a close carriage) to the Cercle (the club) to see an American engineer - Miss Bailey, a daughter of Mrs Tyssie's friend, was with us.

I will enclose a cheque for £30. Curran will cash it for you. I think also this month I have to send a cheque for the Life Assurance but I don't remember the date, nor the exact

them for this month – as the several payments vary a little in amount. In case the notice has not been sent, please look at the Widows Fund papers in my flat mahogany box – On the outside of the policies you will see the respective dates & amounts of the payments – let me know in time to send you the cheque for transmission to the agency in London.

I am glad to hear Arthur's cold is better. The rheumatism I got on returning from Fraser passed away in a couple of days – was quite gone on the 3d day. Beyond a little more expectoration on the following morning, it did not affect the vitality of my chest.

Thanks for writing to my mother about me –

Have you had any letter from Muir. If not, I wish you would write to him & ask if he has got my several letters since last autumn & say I have been anxious at not hearing from him

I have crossed this out, for I find I made a note in my diary of £21-11-0 being due on the 3d of April, so I can arrange what is necessary without further enquiry -

I forget Mr. McKean's address in London. Exchange Buildings, I think - but you will find it in the correspondence about the Widows Fund papers - Do not delay in sending it off as it is due on the 3d.

Your cheque I have made payable to bearer - thinking it will be easier for you to cash it - Let me know that it reaches you safely

A fine bright day to-day (2d April)

Best love & kisses to all I am

Ever I am

Your affte

Offer to do anything you can for Wilde

I look for a reply to mine of the 9th which in my last letter I told you I had not got to hand on 3rd inst.

on his arrival – Remember me kindly to Dr Beaton, Wilkie, Maclean, Parker &c. Tell Mackinnon that his overcoat wrapper is a great boon to Frank – he is constantly using it. You may also mention to him that in Frank's repeating his message about Lady Wynford to Mrs Ryder, the latter assured us that the admiration was quite reciprocated by Lady Wynford. Kitty is sorry as well, – we are sorry to divide the others tandem in a few days. Frank sends his love to Mackinnon – I am anxious to hear that he has cast some away [illegible] of his sore throat (or cold, from the bad weather in England

Woolston
April 2nd 1869
Friday

My dearest Tom

I almost expected I should have had a letter from you today, but it has not come so I suppose I shall get it tomorrow post after posting this tonight: Everything is going on well here. Children all well. Last night the wind changed, but it is blowing almost as cold a wind from the West, & has now settled in for rain (5.30)

No letter have come for me except a notice from the Secy: of the Scottish Widows fund, to say that one of your payments becomes due on the 3rd of this month, & took it over to Dr Aitken, & he showed me that it must be paid within 30 days from that time, so I thought perhaps you would send a cheque for it or tell me what to do: the sum is £21.16.8 & they say that for safety the Cheques had better be crossed "Union Bank of London": If you send a cheque you had better send it to me not direct to the Secy: as they ask for the policies to

he returned to Ireland the money is due.
Had a letter yesterday from Mr Wethered but only to say why he had not called. He Sir Edward & Mr Dent are settling what they will each give & of course the correspondence takes time. I went in & saw the old woman today, she has got a room, but seems very ill, with bad cough & much pain in her side. Dr H is going to see her tomorrow.

Dr Mallam gave the opening lecture yesterday & all went off very well. There are a very aged lot of Asst Surgeons. Medicine.

Dr Bealton & Dr Webb came to dinner on Sunday afternoon. little W looks very ruddy & says he has been ill ever since he went to Ireland. I did not have any talk with him as Dr B. was there. Dr B. said Dr Logan had had a long letter from Dr Munir, & that he is very well, but has lost 4 stone in weight. he will be an elegant figure by the time he comes home. The party had all went off pretty well but I dont think the Volunteers could have made much light. Dr H. was magnificent. Shear. Mrs Mallam caught cold & has kept in bed ever since but is better today.

Dr Tyler came over about 4 an hour ago bringing another tin of Portugal Cakes. sent for us by Mrs Rogers, the parcel came by rail addressed to Dr T.

I think it is a very kind of her to think of it. I have written to her & the letter will go by this post. - little Annie's letter

Dr Parkes gave us a very good lecture at the Institute last night - on Edmund Kean the Actor. I knew more about Actors & acting than I did before. I must not write more as the children will be coming down. Willie is still here & we are all getting on very well together. -

They all send their love.
God bless you my dearest
Letter from us
Rosie.

Danebuyer keeps the bells
made so that they can be
got in two days.

Cannes. Friday Eve 2nd April
L. 25/40

My dear R. I have just rec.d the enclosed from Dr Gault, so I suppose the uniform must be sent to me – Perhaps Curran will manage it for me, when all the things have been got together. One of my blue uniform cases is good, & each of them has a wooden outer box belonging to it (you may remember the two boxes supported the mahogany slab in the entrance room or hall at Hamble). Perhaps Mr. Borchert will be able to tell from the bill by what way Mr. Neuss of Berlin, sent his hand-wheel carriage from Berlin to Southampton – I think it was by rail from Berlin to Hamburg, & by steamer from Hamburg to Southampton MacShane has just told me that the office of the Hamburg Mail Steamers is at 4 Orientale Place, South.n W. The steamers leave 3 times a week, so I presume there will not be much difficulty about getting the uniform sent, arranging about the keys, custom house &c —

I will write to Col.o Walker, of whom I have a slight knowledge, & tell him that I have arranged for my uniform key – sent to his address &c

Yours of the 30th just come in.

I posted a letter to you this morning. It contained 2 cheques. 1 for £30 in your name, & the other for the W. Fund £5 5s.0d in Mr. McKean's name.

I am sorry to hear about Shortell, I hope he is not worrying himself, tell him from me –

The pack you have copied from Miss N.'s letters are just what I required, & all that I required. It

does not much matter now about the New Zealand bank information which Lenny has sent, as I fear my expenses do will prevent any further money being invested this year. It seems strange about the book – I dare say Dr Beaton will know if it has yet been issued. I thought I might have got this off by the late post, but I fear I shall not now be able to send it

Maynard will return I hope his topics as he was at Down together – I read in the Times all about the reverend Le –

Best love & thanks to you all –

Ever your own

F. L –

Berlin, March 30, 69,
58, Louisen-Str.

Dear Sir!

Concerning your question of uni-
form it is considered here most
likely that there shall be one
or two court receptions for the
foreign members of the assembly
so that a uniform would be
very suitable for you, especial-
ly because you may be asked
besides to dine with the Prin-
ces Royal etc.
We shall be extremely glad to
see you here and, as I hope,
in the best health.
Many compliments to Frank.
Believe me very truly

Yours
E. Gurlt.

Tunic
Drab trousers
Boots with tops & spurs
Cocked Hat & Forage cap
Pouch belt.
Sword belt.
Medals.

} These I presume will go in the hm case

Sword, in leather case

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To be directed to. Deputy Inspector General T. Longmore
Army Medical Staff
c/o care of Colonel Walker C.B.
Military Attaché, British Embassy,
Berlin. Prussia.

to be at Berlin
by the 21st April at latest.

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De Beauvoir with I know order for me the
sword belt & pouch belt. at the same time
he gets his own - & when I get my cap -
I forgot the address (ask Hamburgers) Some
-where in Covent Garden

L. 25/41

Brooklyn
Saturday Aftn.

The enclosed I drew brought over by Mrs Robbins this Afternn. with £34.17.6 in Cash. She said her Husband sent it thinking I might be glad of it; if not he would send it with the rest & Coxe, or he could give me a bill for the whole. I said I should be glad to keep the £34.17.6, & asked him to send the rest & Coxe. I hope this was right. I thought that as I had the Scots wages £15.5.0 to pay by our £5.0.0 due, & the current expenses going on, I might as well have it, as if you have sent me a cheque when this arrives it can be kept. Last weeks expenses were £4.19.0, to meet this I had of the house money only £1.17.0, so I had paid the rest out of my pocket (pricate fortune) by which I mean the £5. I take monthly for clothes &c, & have now repaid myself out of this money, so that I have after paying all, £11.0 some odd I hope you will understand this & think it is all right. Capt. Robbins said the enclosed papers must be sent for your signature, to send them.

Your letter arrived this morning & sent the note you enclosed to Mr Salmon

Wright wants it. Letter confirmed by this Steamer. Will have cash ready. Will be glad to hear from you. Will send £40 or £50 in April.

I have up at Parkside this morning Willie had a headache. God bless you my dearest Wife. Kisses & love to all.

Yr affte Husband

at once. directing it - as you said to Mrs S. or his Successor. I enclosed a card properly directed. I will see & do as you said with the things when they arrive. Same post - bring a cross & the P's with your letter. it is a pouring wet day, tho' not quite so cold as it has been. I will finish this presently or tomorrow. I am sending you by this same post, only with its ends open, part of a New York Medical Record of which came for you the other day, the article I have had marked with a black cross, being marked in each with red ink. I thought I had better send you one, as it refers to the work you will soon be going about, & a book to put on the P's room table & the rest are here. A letter & a lot of reports of the Chatham Soldiers Institute came the other day from Major Bulkley, it was all about the progress of the Institute except that he asked for Miss Nightingale's address, & I wrote & said you were away & sent him her South H. address which I thought would be sure to find her, the Reports were for distribution so Dr A. took all but 3. - A letter came yesterday from someone who signs himself A. Ingers, asking how to get a supply of cold streams into the A & C., I will send it to Dr Mackinnon & he will see about it. no other letters.

Willie is still here, & I have not heard from Isabel when he is to go back, he is very much improved since he was with us at Hamble, but he is an odd sort of boy now. whenever he goes back I shall take the opportunity of going to Portsmouth & getting Bertie's jacket - at Turners, Dr Maclean advises me to do so, as it is certainly the best place anywhere round here.

The Beauchamps were very pleased to hear from us, & send their kind regards to you. Good night - my dearest - Sunday Aftn. All flourishing here today. - Dr Mackinnon has just been, desires his love to you both, & kind regards to Mrs Ryder the little girl, Lady Wynford, & the Princess. he seems very well & jolly. I also send by book post - a French paper which came for you today. I see it is all about the Conference so I thought you

L 25/42

Woolston
Sunday July -
4 Apr.

My dearest - Son

The inclosed I know will be glad to get - I would like to send a scrap that - I may be within weight - I am very glad he seems so well & jolly - I have delivered his messages. I received your last - from Cannes the day before yesterday but have not - yet - seen any body to deliver your messages, except - Dr Mallam. who seems all right - again. Barry's hand is getting on all right - but the poor boy is very bad with an ache in his ear, & his nose is not at all better. We are all flourishing here. Susie now the worse for her visit to Con- -duit's at Ryde. It has been such a comfort - that - they have all kept so well. Isabel & Buddy are going to the Devons tomorrow as it - is Maggie's birthday. I dined with them last night - This morning -

I went - to Pear Tree, after dinner went - out for a walk with J & E. Hasell - with D. H. & their three along the shore, they read to them till their tea time, & went to church here this evening. I thought - either Mac or little Wibbi would have been here, but they have not turned up. D. Aitken took me into Southampton yesterday & we have settled all about - the old woman, her furniture comes over here to her own room tomorrow, & she will come in a day or two. I shall have a long yarn to tell you about it - all when you come. I have not seen your book yet - but have asked D. a. to bring me a copy to-day.

I am very sorry you did not get - my last - letter before leaving Cannes I thought you would have got it - by the morning post of the day you left -. I must - not - write more.

God bless you my own always your most affte Wife Rosie

Woolston L. 25/43

April 6th 1869

My dearest John

I wanted to have got a letter off to you by this evenings post but could not manage it, since the last left you have arrived, so I am glad my letter was not ready. I have now received cheques & everything, & sent off the cheque to Mr Ph C Rau by last nights post. The one you sent for me I have simply put away as I suppose it will bear keeping. The hose came after the Children had all gone to bed, but the rest of the house have all seen & admired the contents. the goodies are beautiful, & the 2 cents besides ~~&~~ included this I think the Pomade is the nicest - 2 cent of the lot, they are wonderfully unlike anything we get in England. Only wish you could have brought them. Buddy, I suppose has heard me speak of "grass" connected with the "goodies", so he headed a big sigh this evening & said "I do wish the goodies & grass Papa is going to send, would come", so what he expects to see I dont quite know. He has had rather a cold again but it is better. & the others are all very well.

Your second letter with Dr Gould's arrived by the afternoon post yesterday, but when Mary

Beeton came in the evening to the Hotel. She told me her Father had just been on leave for ten days. But she said that she thought Dr Webb knew all about Hamburger. So this morning after breakfast I had the carriage & went out to the Hospital. I went to the P.M.O's office, & saw Dr Mac who was acting as P.M.O & he sent for little Webb for me. He does not know anything about Hamburger himself but would order the belts by tonights post & asked him to tell N. they must be sent at once to me here, & to write & let me know when they would be sent off. This he said he would do, & I think he is to be trusted. Your sword & Cocked hat have been sent over from the Hospl. & George is getting off at for this case; & the wooden box for it, & seeing about the boots &c. Dr Webb says that if the belts cannot be sent in the next day or two, I may find his. So your things shall be all right somehow. After I got back from the Hospl: I drove over to Mrs Mallens, as I had arranged to lunch there today, it had been pouring all the morning & I did not mean to go but at the Hospl: I saw Dr Maclean & he said his wife was expecting me so I did not like to put it off. poor George was so wet that I could not keep him in the town, so I took my waterproof

& said I would walk back, thinking that in the afternoon I might get to the Office & enquire about the Hamburg Steamers. I waited till 4 o'clock at the Macleans hoping it might clear, & then paddled off. I called to the Office but found the people had gone, so if Curran does not call here to-morrow morning on his way to London, I will walk in directly after dinner & settle about it. The Steamers do leave 3 times a week & one left yesterday, so I am in hopes I may get from here off by the next the end of this week. I will of course see if that is the best way to send it &c. Mr Maclean says it is, & that on Saturday he had things sent to Dresden in the same way. I don't know that there is much to say about it. I

I shewed Dr Mackinnon the list of our letters about the Ayders, & his coat. He finds his tooth-brush, & is very glad his coat has been of use. His throat is all right — I think he looks very well indeed. He says the Indian Candidates seem a pretty good set of fellows but he does not seem to admire the assistant much. There is also a Mr Perry I believe in the Guards who has come with his wife & is living somewhere at Star Tree Green. I suppose I ought to call on them. Dr M. says they are very nice. Little Webb looks wretchedly ill, & says he has never been well

will be what to Ireland, & Sam sorry to say they have put him into Dr Moorhead's quarters. he said today that they were very damp rooms, & it appears that Dr Boden has written to report them unfit for use as you did; but I think he ought not to have let Dr W. go into them. I told Dr W. what you thought of them & begged him if he fell worse in those rooms to turn out of them as I was sure you would be sorry. they were at the bottom of Dr H.'s illness, & said that if I could do anything to help him I should be very glad. If Dr Moore had been here I don't think he would have let him go into them. Dr Parkin has often been in my head lately it seems so very funny to be so long without a letter from him. I will write by next Saturday's mail, & tell him about you, & ask whether he got your letters.

Got a letter from Isabel this morning in which she tells me they are going to stop at Ryde a month longer, as Mr Ewelmouth there, a Parson, wants to get away for the month of May & had asked Percy to take his duty, so on the 27th they are going to move into the Ewelmouths house. Willie is to go home next Monday, & Mummy is also going for a week. I think I shall perhaps manage to take Isabel & Susie down for a day or two while Mummy is there. Isabel (the sister) very much wants me to, & I hardly like not taking Susie after she has been promised to, as she is not old enough to know they would understand

L 25/44

Hoddesdon
April 7th 1869

Just a line today I have been to the Hamburg Steam packet agent, & as far as I can make out that is clearly the best way to send all. I will take the box, sword, & Cocked hat into town tomorrow afternoon & it will leave London by the Steamer on Friday Morning. I can pay the expenses as far as Hamburg, & will do so, as I thought if you were not there. When the parcels arrive

it would be best for Col: Walker
to pay. I am obliged to send it
by Friday boat as there is not
another till the following Friday
the 16th: & that would be running it
too close. I thought you might like
that Col: W. know when to expect
it. I dont quite understand
about the Keys &c; sending them.
I mean, whether they will be
wanted, or not: but I will find
out tomorrow & you shall have
them all right.

Your letters were
ordered yesterday, & may come

time enough for me to send
off tomorrow, if not I send little
Webbs. Mrs Young takes tea
with us this evening.
Jones has just arrived with
enclosures for Mr Borchet
& Dr Parkes. Dr W. will take
Mr Borchets, & I am sending
Dr Parkes this evening.
All well here, & delighted
with your box.
God bless you my dearest
ever your own
Rosie.

Letters from Lady Longmore
to Sir Thomas

Paper for Mr Rocket arrived this morning. I am dining at the Skatoons this evening while I am there, Seaton shall take the notes. The Adams Calculator sent yesterday by Shortell.

Yesterday Morning I left work packed up all your things as carefully as possible. Jem Willis had not come, so I sent for D. Webber & packed them up instead. I took the Cocked hat out of its Case, as I found without the Case it would easily fit the Box, so to make only two Packages instead of three. I hope this is right. I don't think the hat Case possibly heavy, & I thought it was a great thing to have all the Uniforms together, so that you might not have

every thing except a Cocked hat; or a Cocked hat only. I stuffed up all the holes with paper so that nothing can move. & I trust they will be all right for when they get to Berlin. the Sword I put first into its Leather Case, then I put two pair clothes & put one each side of the Scabbard, & stuffed all the Hilt round inside the leather Case with Paper. All this was lashed tight together. I wrote the address clearly on the wood, & tied a tabby label as well, on the wooden box. I pasted an address, & also tied a label on. I put a list of all the Tin box contained on the lid of the Tin inside the wooden box, & another list I put inside the Tin box, a third list I gave to the Agent Smith Sundius & Co. told him I was puzzled what to do with the key, as the Spaniards said they thought they would very likely want to open it at Hamburg before it went on to Berlin. I asked the Agent Smith (who by the way was very civil indeed about it all) & he said that in case they should want to open it. I had better give him the key, the Capt: of the Ship he knew very well, & he would give him the key to take to their Agents at Hamburg, & they would send it on by post to Col: Walker. he addressed an Envelope, & wrote all about this to the Hamburg Agents, & tied a large parchement Label ~~on~~ directed to him in case of Col: W. &c past the same as the box & sword. I hope & trust all this will be right, if it is not; it wont be for want of taking trouble about it, & I would not think of any letter way for doing it. I also gave the Agent with the key a list of the Contents of the Tin, & I said that if they could manage for the box not to be opened I should be very glad. I paid 7/6 freight from here to Hamburg, for which they gave me a receipt, of Grant & Kelly

Lotta will charge the expenses &c to Berlin. I inclose the receipt to you, so that in Case of anything going wrong, you might make out the address of the parcel at Homburg & write to them. F.

I have written to Dr Muir by this post; & told him all about you, & all of us. Dr Beales had heard that he was very well. — I am dining at the B's to night to help Miss B. & her brother entertain Dr Webb. Dr B. is away at Cheltenham with Lord W. Lenton.

When Shortell was here yesterday he told me a big Package had come to the Hospl. for you, & he thought it was books. I told him to open it: as I thought it might be the Copies you were to have of your book. I shall hear to night whether it is or not, I have not heard of it's being Out.

I am very glad Dr F is better, my love to him. We are all very well here. I am thinking of going with Isabel & Lucie down to Rugby from Monday till Wednesday. Willie is so much with us. he is anything but well I am sure, & I had a long talk with Mrs Madan

A letter from Charles to Mr Stuart Wortley & School Chums with the Packet

D 25/46

Woolston.
April 11th Sunday

My dearest Son

I am afraid you will be rather disappointed at not getting a letter from me posted today, but I have not been able to get it - for as I have been upon the go all day, in consequence of Master Harry Maclean having hurt his head yesterday & in our Garden, with some Gunpowder. fortunately nothing very serious but enough to keep his Lordship from doing any mischief with his right hand for the next week or two. He has been home from School for a fortnight - having lost his voice entirely, so that the poor boy can't speak above a whisper. The 1st day I went to the Macleans, Willie went with me & the Dr Harry made friends over chess &c. a few days ago Harry brought me a note from his Mother & was walking up to the Chapel to his Father, something about his throat

& asked whether W. might go with him, he wished to go. I said yes. They came back together all right by train, & then came & asked me by the right-hand the pen with which George shoots the sparrows. I said certainly not, & said that neither of them were fit to be trusted with a pen, that I knew their Father would not allow it, & would not on any consideration let them have it, they went off into the garden & amused themselves in some other way, & I sent for George & told him not to let them have it. He said he had already locked it up, & it has not appeared on the scene since. Yesterday Harry again came with a note, & as they are to be ready, so they went in the same way together, & I gave Willie 3 to pay for the train back. After that they went off to the Parade with Mackinnon taking Isabel & Buddy. (Mrs B. having asked to them several times since we left, & I had neglected) She minded the children & stayed to tea & to dinner. Nurse & the little ones came up to fetch I & B. so I sent word by her to tell Willie to change his things & come up to spend the day: while Frank & about 1 o'clock a message came that Harry had hurt himself & I went down as soon as I could. I met Dr Tyffe just at his gate, & he said he was sorry they had sent for me, as it was not serious. It appears that when they came home from the Parade they had about 2 or 3 between them with which they bought some gunpowder & proceeded to blow up an ancient Cabbage all went well till a match Harry had would not burn well & he stuck it down into the middle of a train they had laid, of course it went bang & blew up his hand. He set off to Dr Adams & the Chemist's but Mr Bennett met him at the gate & ran back to the house by this time Nurse had heard of it & sent Jem out to see after him, & between them the gunpowder & Willie had, & did his hand up with Oil & Cotton wool, then sent for Dr Tyffe to see all was right. This was the state of affairs when I came home. The poor boy

of course in terrible pain. He had ploughed up the back of his fingers, but the back of his hand was only bruised, & he had a large knowledge wrist. Added to all his misery & fancy he was in a fearful fright at the idea of his Father's wrath, & he did get a tremendous blowing up. If he had the horse put to the Carriage & Dr Foster took him home. Alan Blenkin is such a good little fellow so pale & nice quiet lots of decision & sense. He stopped here till he went off home. Jane going to Ryde tomorrow till Wednesday, so I felt I must go & see his Mother to day so I felt I could not walk to Pear tree & then to their house, so after breakfast I set off into Southampton went to Holy Rood Church, & then walked up to the Nuckleans. The weather has quite changed the last three days & to day was most terribly hot, real heat, very bright sun & very soft air from the South, we found A. in bed but better & he had had a pretty good night, we had dinner there, & walked

L. 25/47

Wedy 14th April

Your 9th April 9th was the last I got - I think it likely another is on the way to me - but I shall leave before it gets here

My dearest R. I leave today & tomorrow proceed by steam for Genoa. I am glad to say I am leaving Frank a good deal better. Yesterday he had a bad headache pain - nerve - & did not go out until 5 o'clock when, his pain having gone, he went with me to dine at Mrs Ryders. The change enlivened him, & he is now out going some of his rounds. I slept up to last night at the Provence. Col. Cust & Lady Abbemarle were very nice on my leaving them - Lady A. being much better - I dare say Frank has told you all abt them. M. will be interested to hear that Monro the sculptor has been much easier & better the last week - only a temporary improvement of course. In consequence of Frank's illness I have made the acquaintance of nearly all the great people here, & some of the "practice" has interested me a good deal.

Thank you for packing up the uniform so carefully. I have no doubt I shall find it all right at Berlin - I should not wonder if I never put it on, but after what De Gurdt wrote, I shall be glad to have it at hand in case of need.

I hardly think I shall be able to write to you again before reaching Berlin - but I will

write as soon as I reach there.

I am glad you wrote to Mimi - It seems odd he should have been so long silent.

I have a letter for Mackn today telling me My package of 50 books has arrived at the hosp? I suppose it will hardly be well to distribute them to them I intended to give copies until I can write in them, but do whatever you think right with them in this respect. Crawford is sending 6 copies for me to Berlin, but perhaps I may write & ask you to send some more - Mimi I can see about when I am there. Mackn tells me they are bound in red & well got up

Tell Mackn his letter came this morn while Mr Shaw & Frank were with me. All were glad to hear he was well, & about his work. Surn.o ships &c. I am sorry to learn Erysipelas has found its way into the Division, but trust the measures taken will prevent it from spreading. It was very wrong for the Bombay people to put such

a case on board. We were glad to hear about the Op.n done well. Tell him this morning we divided the tendo Ach., biceps & retinaculum stretched the shoulder & elbow of the limb that was done with poor Kitty Ryder when he was here. The chloroforming was also taken advantage of to extract 2 teeth. Before the Op.n I told Kitty I had got a letter for him & that he desired to be remembered kindly to her, & she was very gratified at his message. Mrs Ryder also desired kind remembrances. Lady Sinclair whom I visited for Frank yesterday, told me to remind Mack.n about the dogs & also asked me to give kind remembrances. Tell Mack.n also it will do very well for me to pay Parker back the lectures when P. is at the Council in London. I was very glad to hear Mack.n had shown the resection cases at Settle.n & of course know they must have been pleased. I gave Mrs R. the message from Mack.n for Lady Wynford as I am not likely

to see her again — Did M. see the fortune that had been left to them by the late Lord W.? in the Illust.d London news the will is mentioned. F. & Mrs S. desired my kind regards to Mack.

I trust Maclean is better — I was very sorry to hear of his being unwell. Give my kindest regards to the Macleans.

I must now go up & pack. As you liked the pommade so much I have got a pot & scented with the white violet — it is not to me at least, so strong as the other, but more delicate — I will bring it with me.

Best love & kisses to you all. It is very satisfactory to hear & hear you are all so well. I am hoping for a calm sea tomorrow — it is about a 9 hours' voyage. It is very hot here today.

Ever your own
T. L.

Kisses to Mrs Watson

L. 25/48

Woolton

April 16th

My dearest Tom

I am so hopes this will reach Berlin by the time you get there. if it does not & I shall be vexed, and feel I have neglected you in not having written since Sunday.

Yours of the 10th reached me at Ryde. Yesterday morning. I was very thankful to get such a good account of you. I only trust working about won't do you any harm. it will be a delightful expedition if you have good weather & feel well. I only wish I could be with you. tho' really I felt surprised sometimes, the time seemed to have passed so quickly, one difference being that I have felt well, & have been able to get about which I never have before when I have been away, & also the fact of feeling for a long time how very wrong it would have been for you to be here in the horrid weather we have had. Since Saturday last it has been beautiful, very bright & really hot; not warm. this afternoon

it began to blow a cold sort of wind from the West, & is now blowing & raining like anything. Dr Tripe is giving a lecture at the Institute on the Moon Stars &c, but it was so wet I thought I should be better employed in writing to you.

I managed the visit to Ryde, but they could not manage to put old Mummy up, so I went with Willie Isabel & Susie, two to bed all night & Susie was very good & quite delighted with little Ernest. Still she did not like to be much away from me. On Tuesday night, she would not have any tea, & said she wanted to go to bed. She had been in bed long before she was terribly sick, & she was very sick two or three times & complained of stomach ache, so when she was half asleep we gave her a teaspoonful of Castor oil. She slept pretty well, & was better yesterday & today seems quite right. She had had nothing to make her sick, but she was very much excited, & I don't think had digested her food properly, & that with the sudden hot weather, & perhaps the steamer had done the mischief. not to not-withstanding

all these misfortunes I think the unfortunate Isabel of course was delighted. Freeman has been feeling a good deal better lately, but the last day or two had had more pain again. he has told Mrs Freemantle that he must give up Clayton & their mind there will be up to another what they are going to do they don't know I suppose get a home somewhere for the smallest rent they possibly can. I always could look from there feeling rather miserable. It is settled that Willie is to get three months more leave from Hailey-bury, & the Doctor says that if the Tories stay in he is now giving him do not let him to visits he thinks he shall try a blister on the back of his neck, to see if that will set his brains right I suppose. all this makes it hard for them to manage as Isabel takes no pleasure in any house it seems miserable altogether.

This afternoon I went with D. Cuthbert to see Mrs Beamers old servant Lucy. They have settled her allowance well & a week, & the people Mrs B. had lived with

in Doyle Street had got her a room in a passage which runs between Doyle St & Finch St: a terribly close part of place where I dont think she would let him go the summer. I had not seen her for more than a week, but she has been very bad with severe cold & cough, & Dr Aitken has very kindly been looking after her. He & I somehow arrived at the conclusion that the people with whom they used to lodge, think, that Hubbard has got rich friends & that they are getting all they can out of her, in consequence of which he thought it better that we should try & get her to come over this side the Harbour. We went to Prospect this today, & they took old woman seems very pleased. I have found a room for her in one of those houses going along the shore, with Dr Aitken's coachman Father & Mother & at 2/3 a week 3 less than she is now paying for her stuffy quarters. She will come over on Monday week. She is quite unable to look after herself. They are having her money monthly 30/- a month

beginning from April 1st - I found today she had not bought herself any meat this week because she was afraid her money would not last: & she had 19/ in her purse, 20d left her, & set aside her rent for this month & what she would have to pay for coals, & divided her money into weekly portions, so that I left the poor old woman happier, & going to have a feed. I have had a very nice letter from Mrs Dent about her, saying she wishes to send £2. to be used for her, & will be glad to allow her Porter or any thing of that sort that is necessary for her, so I think she will get along after a bit. I am going to write & tell Mr Wellard all that we have done & why. I hope this is all right:

I am sorry Dr Frank is ill so sadly, & I am very glad for were able to be with him. It would have been very nice for us to go to Vichy, but Lady Albemarle would have had to pay my expenses too, as I don't

full & chuse to remain much longer in
my solitary glory. I have not seen
Dr. K. or Dr. W. since your letter came
Dr. W. was here today while I was out.
Dr. Aitken told me today about your book
being out, she says Sir Wm Hall heard in
London that they expected you to apply for
some remuneration. this you can enlarge
on your return.
I must not write more.
as it is getting late & I have to write to
Mrs Dent; & have heaps of work to do.
George Maynard has written to Ruth if
he can come for a few days on Monday
I rather wanted a week to myself, but I don't
like to say no to him poor boy. The children are
all blooming, & would send their loves if
they were awake
God bless you my dearest
Wife from
R. Longmore.

L '25/49

Woolston
April 20th

My dearest Tom

Yours from Ewood arrived this morning. Many thanks for it. I knew ye would write if ye could. I am very glad ye are all right - so far or only trust - ye will be able to stand the weather & the work.

The enclosed came yesterday & I was in a quandary (how is it - spell - ) what to do. I felt I could not write to the man, & say you were away, because the letter certainly was not intended for my edification; & he wished something not to be mentioned, so I did quite know what to do till I saw he mentioned Little Webb. So today as I was saying

visits - all round Hetty, I saw him & gave him the letter, & first - said that it had come for you. I could not well ask - & tell the man who was not at home, would he do what was necessary. He sent - he back the letter & said I had better send it - to you, & he could write to Capt: L. & explain the delay. I hope this was right: I went to call on a Mrs Turner, who is living in the Surgeons Quarters, & also paid a visit - to Dr. Mackinnon poor fellow he has been sick of the last - 3 days with sore throat & seems rather miserable. Baby & Susie were with me & he had them in & seemed pleased to keep them while I paid my visit - to Mrs T. & the Robsons. I gave him your letter with all the messages to read. I called on all Hetty from the Yard & downwards. Tomorrow I must try & do Woolich in the same way. The children are all as well as possible & everything going on quietly here. Jessy has gone to here again for a little while. & Sent Mummy off down to Hyde yesterday for a week. I am going for shabby little letters, but - I have nothing much to say, & a heavy letter to enclose. Good night - my dearest: God bless you

Ever yours & ever Rosie.

I had a nice letter from your mother to day.

From Berlin 1869

(7 Juli)

L. 25/50

Hotel du Nord, Berlin,

22nd April 10 P.M.

My dearest Rose

I must write you a line to say I am safely here & all right. I arrived yesterday at 10 A.C. - after early dinner went to the British Embassy - then to Col. Walker's, found my uniform &c at his house - afterwards to the office for the arrangements of the Conferences - then to a meeting at 9 O.C. - & at 10 0 A.C. to an evening party at Col. Walker's for an hour. Today the Conferences began at 11, in what would be our house of Commons fitted up for the purpose - all in evening dress or uniforms - the Queen & the Crown Princess being present. The Queen remained all the time till 2 0 A.C. - the Crown Prince the greater part of the time. At a little before 4 we went to the palace & were presented to the King - a majestic man in size & physique, & wonderfully active for a man of 73. They tell me he is any day 3 hours on horseback, & that he works at business quite as much as any one of his ministers. The Crown Princess (our Princess Royal) left the Queen's arm to talk with me. Among other things she asked me if I knew Dr Maclean & I explained our being colleagues. She then desired me to thank him for the bottle of Carbolic acid he had given her - & to say that she had very favorable reports from the two surgeons to whom she had given it to use, that it had been very beneficial, & that she hoped its employment would be extended in Prussia. Langenbeck however told me he & others already used it a good deal. The Princess desired me to leave my address at her palace, so I hope to be able to do so tomorrow after the conference. At ½ p. 5 we had a grand dinner from which I have just come up to my room, the dinner being in this hotel - about 140 persons

from all parts of Europe & in every imaginable uniform. The endless introductions are rather bewildering, but I have met many whom I knew by reputation & whom I have been glad to see & talk with. I get on very fairly as almost every one speaks either French or English, but at the same time it is a great loss to me not being able to understand German. I write this on this piece of paper as it shows some of the engagements, that the rest of the time is filled up by the conferences or business connected with them.

I found here your letter of April 11th, forwarded by Frank from Cannes, of the 16th, & of the 10th with Muir's enclosed. I was glad to read Harry Macleans accident was no worse - that his face had escaped, as I was also to hear at last of Muir & of his being so well. It is very kind of Aitken helping you about Mr Bennets old servant.

If you have the opp.y let Dr Parker know that all here - including the highest authorities - thoroughly approve of the new knapsack - Col.l Walker will send home the reports very shortly - It seems to be only a question of time, its being adopted in Prussia.

I hope Susie is continuing all well: no doubt the motion of the steamer & the excitement of going to Ryde were the causes of her being so sick. I ~~don't~~ know when I shall write again. Its the time is so filled up that I can't get a moment to myself. I ought to have written to the Div. Genl Africa today to say I am here but have not been able to do so - I must try tomorrow but hardly expect to be able. Our conferences are at some distance off from the hotel, & they begin at 10. Best love & kisses to chicks & yourself, from your own

F. L.

yesterday & today free & warm. I forgot to say that my uniform & sword arrived quite safely. Many thanks for all the trouble you took to pack them so carefully. The King & the Palace today made it fortunate that I had them.

№ 11.

Le soussigné a l'honneur de prévenir Messieurs les délégués pour la conférence internationale que Leurs Majestés le Roi et la Reine désirent les voir demain (jeudi) à 4 heures après midi.

Quant au costume Mr. le grand-maréchal de la cour m'observe que Mrs. les militaires veuillent mettre l'uniforme et que Mrs. les autres délégués viennent en frac (cravate blanche) avec les décorations qu'ils possèdent.

Le soussigné prie Mrs. les délégués de vouloir bien se réunir à 3¼ heures au palais du Roi.

Immédiatement après cette présentation aura lieu, tout près du Palais, à l'Hôtel du Nord, le diner pour lequel le comité central prussien a eu l'honneur d'inviter.

La représentation théâtrale à l'Opéra royal aura lieu le vendredi 23 avril à 6½ heures du soir. Elle ne sera pas précédée ou suivie d'une nouvelle présentation à Leurs Majestés le Roi et la Reine.

Pour le dimanche 24 avril le grand-maréchal de la cour du Roi me charge d'inviter Mrs. les délégués à un déjeûner au Nouveau Palais près de Potsdam et à une course en voiture par les jardins et parcs du Roi dans les alentours de cette ville. Le train du chemin de fer Berlin-Potsdam partira à 12½ heures de Berlin. Le costume sera en frac avec cravate blanche. Mrs. les militaires pourront mettre l'uniforme.

Le soussigné renouvelle à Mrs. les délégués l'expression de sa considération la plus distinguée.

Le président du comité central prussien

***R. v. Sydow.***

L. 25/61

Woolton
April 23rd 1864

Dearest Tom.

I must begin a line to-night - so as to get it off by the morning's post. I was very glad to get yours this morning from Munich, & thankful to hear of your being all right - so far. I suppose your work has begun, & now begin to feel as if I was an old thing & old-fashioned for which I shall not be sorry, tho' it has got been half so bad as I thought - it would be, as it has before. I suppose partly because I was so thankful you were not in England, & partly because I had been really well, & able to see things in a brighter light - than I ever have before when you have been away. I have only seen Dr Aitken since you left came this morning. I shewed it to him that he might tell Dr Mackeson about Mr Archer as tomorrow is the Senate day.

Someone (I cant remember who) told me to tell you that the Departmental Exams is to take place at the end of the May.

A letter came from Charlie again a day or two ago in a great state of doubt as to what was to become of them. I wrote about the 8th coming home, of course in doubt as to what I should do about the parcel, so I thought the best thing I could do was to write again to Col: Vaden which I did, & got an answer back time enough to send to Charlie this morning. He says the 30th will be home some time next month, & the Crocodile has just left Portsmouth to fetch them but they are to go first to Dublin. Which I am afraid will be a disappointment to them. Col: Vaden wrote very kindly, I told him why I wanted them, said you were away & perhaps I should have had no need to trouble you. Charlie said he had given some very worthy steps: if the 30th a note to you, he is coming to Netley & will be discharged, she wanted to see if you could do anything to help him, so I have asked Dr Webb if he comes before you come home to tell him not to go away without coming to see me. Of course I can only find out what he wants but that will be something.

I must think I have any news for you. Dr Mackenzie is better I believe but I have not seen him out yet. Today has been very wet, but not so stuffy. Mrs Wickens came over here yesterday with Lancie, & sat in the evening with me (the Institute, where he plays) was reading again. We all enjoyed it very much. She slept here, & I drove them home this afternoon. The Gordons are away, & Mr Sanderson very unwell again. Mrs Bradley seemed quite well.

Mrs Rashleigh has been very unwell & is in Salon to be under Mr Wards care

I have not written to Dr. Frank. I will if you like, but I thought I should have more to say & could write better after your return. Good night - bless you dearest, but I will leave the light till tomorrow morning in case I have anything to add.

Saturday Morning - No more news. all well here. Geo. Maynard is here again for a while. This morning's post brought a letter from Lewis Wilkins from Ceylon. a very good letter, but there seems to have been some blunder about his work there & the poor fellow has not got anything to do yet. I must shut this off. God bless you my own love from Most affec.te

Rosie

I saw Rashleigh days will you get her any inland German stamps that you can.

L. 25/52

Woolston

Sunday Apr. 25th

Dearest Tom

I dont know exactly what day you will be leaving Berlin, or how long a letter takes to get there from here, but any how I feel as if being Sunday I ought to write you a line to let you know that we are all right, & the Coal you have left I shall hide in my Envelope that the letter is to be destroyed.

It is a beautiful morn & Lemmy & the children are all in the Garden with Nurse Mary & Cousin George who is shewing them Birds heads &c. This morning we went up to Pear tree & Buddy went with us, & he heard very well indeed, it was very hot walking up to Church. I saw the Parkes & D. P. told me he had heard of your safe arrival at Berlin. Yesterday after: we had our first game of Croquet. The

asked us to go into them as the Simmons Tiffes & were going. It was not too hot & I played decently, & consequently rather enjoyed it. In the Evening I went to dinner at the Reamishes. they have a Cousin of Mrs R's staying with them, who is also a Cousin of Dr Mackenzies. he was dining with them, & the Tiffes, & they asked Dr Aitken, but he was remaining in London, so the old man trotted over & asked me if I would mind coming over instead, we had some singing & a rubber in the evening. Dr Mackenzie seems a good deal better again, in fact looks all right. Tomorrow I am going to lunch at the Simmons. I have only been over there twice since you left, & Annette today) & I could see that Mrs S. would like me to go. I shall try & take the opportunity of Crossing the River & calling at the Rees's.

See by the Papers that old William Hornby of Rock is dead, & Arthur comes into the property, so if he is pretty well I should think they will soon be down here.

Mummy comes back from Ryde tomorrow, after more visits than we bargained for. Wednesday. I had a letter from Isabel & the Lapo Willie is rather better again.

I met Dr Perry yesterday at the Davis's & found that he & Dr Franks used to be great friends long ago at Malta.

& I must stop scribbling for the present, & will not send this off till tomorrow. in hopes of getting a letter from you telling us where to direct.

Monday Evening. I have just got back from Annette & Isabel's & found your letter awaiting for me. I am very glad to hear so good an account of Mat & that you will not have to operate. We are all flourishing here. Isabel & Annette were pretty well except that Mrs I. Wh seems very bad.

From your letter you seem

to be in respectable Society. I will tell
Dr Maclean about the C. Princes if
I see him.

God bless you My dearest. I
must not write more as they are
waiting for tea

Ever your own
Boz.

L. 25/53

Yours of the 23rd inst. arrived. Was glad to read Col. Wm. Fortunate Lad to meet Col. Vacher. Glad to hear Maeck is better. Must remember Dr. Maynard

H. du Nord, Berlin,

Monday Evg, 26th April

My dearest Rose,

I have been rather knocked up today with a cold & the effects of the continued movement & so am staying in my hotel instead of going to the General dinner of the Delegates which is taking place to night. Yesterday the King & Queen again entertained us, & we had a very interesting though a very tiring day. At 12 there was a special train to take us to Potsdam, where the King's & the Crown Prince's summer palaces are. On arriving at Potsdam all the royal carriages were waiting for us - as the only one representing England I found myself like all the other Government delegates told off to the care of a gentleman of the Court who spoke English. We drove through Potsdam first to the New Palace as it is still called, though it was built by Frederick the Great. In this palace there is a very spacious rotunda hall completely lined with curious shells worked into the most grotesque devices. Here the King & Queen received us, with the Crown Prince & Princess. The King & Queen talked with nearly every one, and the Crown Princess came across the hall to talk to Langenbeck & myself who were standing together. We then went into a very

beautiful room & had what was called breakfast, but was really an early dinner - the Royal people joining in a familiar way that almost seemed strange according to our English notions. The Princess asked me if I would like to see her children, which of course I was glad to do, & so I saw all five, including the baby who is just learning to walk. Afterwards she had a very long talk with me and Langenbeck on the terrace about the eldest of her children - Prince Fred.k Wm. - His case is a very sad one - though seeming about 10 years old he is hardly able to do most ordinary things for himself owing to his left arm being stunted in growth & partially paralysed. The Princess asked me to see him again with Langenbeck, but as the family is now staying at Potsdam (the new Palace is the Crown Prince's summer residence) & as I know I can't be of any use, I do not intend to go unless I hear again on the subject. The Princess asked about "the dear little boy" at Netley, who had lost his leg by amputation when she was there, & about me & two other patients, of whom I could give her no information. After luncheon the carriages about 30 in number were again marshalled, & we were then driven to Sans Souci, the small palace where Fred.k the Great, as well as the late King, died. Every thing,

(in the case of the late King)
even to the toilet articles, is left in their
respective rooms just as when they occupied them
from Sans Souci we were driven to see another
palace, the marble palace, on the banks of a lake.
We were then driven to the King's summer palace,
a sort of Windsor palace on a smaller scale, and
though the King & Queen were in the palace at
the time, we were shown through all the rooms.
There were some very fine views in some parts of
the park of the palace. After this visit we drove
again to the station, & returned by a special
train to Berlin, the King & Queen returning by the
same train. The day was fine, but the
roads were dusty, & towards the afternoon the
air cool. In spite the sun was very hot, &
the fountains which were all playing were quite
refreshing, but being in evening dress with white necktie,
which is the fashion here on such occasions when not in uniform, the
contrast between the heat of the sun & coolness of
the shade gave me as it has done others a cold.
On returning to Berlin I had to go to a late dinner
which as it was chiefly set up on my account
I could not help going to, & this did not improve
my cold - but having kept away from the conference
this morning, & tolerably quiet all day, I am now

better, & hope to be all right again for the meeting tomorrow morng. Tomorrow evg. I dine at Col. Walker's — I received an invitation from the Embassy (Lord & Lady Aucks. Loftus, I suppose the former to be a brother of the Loftus that Lady Seafield married) for the same evg — but was glad I had accepted Col. W's first. Col. & Mrs W. are very pleasant people, & I shall meet at their house persons whom I shall be glad to see

I can't yet say anything definite about the date of my return. The conferences drag along & I am very tired of them & shall be glad when they are over. I have not had a minute to spare to see any of the celebrated collections of works of art at Berlin & shall not till the conferences are finished, but beyond looking at one or two museums for a few hours I do not intend to stay any longer than I can help on their account. I want to get home. It is impossible for persons to be kinder & more attentive than every one here is. From the Court downwards If you happen to see Dr Parker tell him I have had a long talk with Dr v. Stuckradt, of whom he wrote to me, & he desired me to carry his kindest remembrances to him & Mrs Parker. Best love & kisses to the chicks & yourself, from your

T. L.—

that I have not done what I said I would. –

It is getting late so I must stop my scribbling. I will take the book into the Examiner tomorrow. they are all well. Annie & Ophelia. I only had to pay 1/6 for the box. & the bon bons were very little shaken about.

God bless you my own dearest

Everyone most affectly

Rosalie Longmore.

Of course I could not ask Dr Addison about your book. but I am pretty sure I should have heard, if it had been out.

Woolsbarn, Monday Eve
L 25/54

My dearest Rosie, a chillier day today than yesterday - with frequent rain & cloud. Just enough for the holiday people - We had a fire in the drawing room yesterday as well as in my room, & today we are having one in the dining room + schoolroom - I found Marion better yesterday afternoon but she was not fit to leave her bed. I have not seen her today but hear she is better & I am sending her a tonic. I called at the Stewarts this morning & examined into Flo's progress. She is gradually improving - has gained

a good deal twice I last ex- her -
but has not yet began to have any
power over her ankle or foot. Dr Stokes
is ordered off to the Cape at once. Cakes
seem to be pouring in just now.
A large packet of Scotch cake has
just come from Dr Anthem & you
will see one is on the way from
the Mansells. The children are
good, though Harry has been
confined to the house for 2 days
Isabel is writing & Miss Mackie too I
believe. Love from us all to you &
to all at the Rectory, everyone
Would it be well to
order something where you see to
the Stores in place of the
present covering of the
stair carpet?

Tues: Eve

L. 25/55

Dearest Rose

I have written to Willie. & have told him I would send on his letter. I have told him when I am come home I am to tell me all about the college, & then we will do all we can to help him. Mrs Freeman is writing to her nephew about Willie. Porter wrote to his friend Captn Sanger.

I have written a long letter to the Welchs' letting them all about us & am sending it on to Mrs Grundy.

I want to call on Lady H. today but met her on the way

I have promised to dine there tomorrow eve — viz Lady K. I was asked to Mrs de Malletts on Friday but have declined — on the ground that Percy will be here — I don't know whether he thinks I am a bachelor — else I can leave your card when we called?

Nurse came out in the carriage to tell us after with Harry. The other children are playing with the Le Cs. Charley gone to South'n in Webb's yacht to fetch Babel. The printers are keeping me very fully employed & I must look over tomorrow's lecture presently

Love Jane to you

F. L.

L 25/56

Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

Sydney Lodge on Wedy next.

I enjoyed my visit to Shrewsbury very much, & did not write much - I shall have plenty to do now to complete & rewrite my opening lecture. Archdeacon Yorke kindly showed me all about Cambridge — he is coming

to Sydney. Lodge in October
I hope you may come
Day he able to see Wimpole
— It is a grand place —
I think in many respects
grander than any Noblemans
place I have seen in
England. Lord H. told
me that since he has

had the property, he
has sunk between 3
& 400 000 pounds in
it. so that it ought
to be worth looking
at. If Count Lot
of that sum is on
the farms, & adds
to the present income
of the estate.

Many kisses to the
Children — Can I bring
anything from London for
Isabel? — I wish
much love to yourself
I am ever
affectionate
Theo Thompson

1870 Z. 25/57

Wed Aug

Dearest Rosie

Never mind about the waistcoat – I can do very well without it

I had a very pleasant dinner last ev. sat next the Dean of St Pauls – who asked after you – & Sir A. Bethune. There were 6 of us sitting close to each other who used to sit equally close together I fear to say how many years ago at Merchant Taylors. The chairman the Master of Pembroke College Cambridge, I had a long standup fight with when we were boys, & he then gave me a good thrashing. Fighting

near him - his fashion, & I had had 2 fights in which I was victor & had consequently become a hoaster - so that before I got from that was Master of Pembroke was probably as useful as any other part of my education at Merchant Taylors. Adam Bittleston had to speak for the Law & I for the Field (Prosperin - so) took the Department of reminiscence. The Chairman of our old contest. The Master of the School, who in those days told me the licking I had got "served me right" - the Revd Deane, was also present last evening - a hale man though he must be between 70 & 80 years old I should think - & I did not mean to mention that fight

with which I came into his presence after the fight with my black eye & bruised face. The reminiscences aroused them all. Haussell spoke very well — he has become a most oddlooking fat & puffy fellow in his decent dress.

I am sorry over to the British Mus.m Library now. I have written to say I will see my mother tonight I did not see Henry. he came after I had left my lodgings. I have been to Waterloo house — they tell me they have not the pattern. I should think you will get the stuff most easily by asking one of the shops you go to at South.n to get it for you.

Glad to hear you are all

right. If a letter come from
Uncle John then if
Can be got at Buxton suitable
for an invalid, I think we
at Malvern next
at Worcester will be the best
thing to be done — It will be
well I think when you are
writing to Lewis to tell him
my opinion on this point

Mark will write to me that
he will be in London on Friday

Best love & kisses to you
all, ever your own

L. L —

Before 9 July 1881

L 25/58

'ead 2 Sheaburg Bldgs.

My dear R.

I don't expect to be able to leave town till the 5.15 train tomorrow

I heard dear Stanley preach this m[orning] — then went by rail to Camberwell to

has!

Then 20 o'clock dinner

— at 5 went to

Norwood to see my

Aunt Bowden &c. —

Left both by train

at 10 o'c to the

Victoria station —

The bread shop was
on the way to the
Monkwell St stores -
I don't think it was
anywhere near
Bread St -

Best love to you
all, ever affectly yours

T L

Aunt B. has put a painted window in Norwood Church to her husband's memory — she got it from Munich. I want to see it — it is quite a gem — not of large size but exquisitely painted

L 25/59

March 31

Camberwell, Thurs / 20th /

My dearest Rose /

My mother died this
m.g. at 4 o'C. My aunt
Hannah & the nurse was work-ing, &
called up the others who had
gone to lee down - my sister
Maria had not had sleep
for many nights before -
I have just been arranging
about

the funeral — to be on
Thursday 27th if I do not
go to Paris, — to be on Sat. 29th
if I do go, so that I may be
present. Aunt Hannah was
a great help last night.
As I had arranged I got a
telegram from Maria this morg
a little after 8 O'C. & so
came straight over here as soon
as I was dressed. I met

Uncle Wm who had come over
this way too to Camberwell.
I forgot whether I told you
Aunt Bess is to be buried
at Kensall Green on Sat.
I am in doubt whether I
shall be able to get an off
of finding out your father &
mothers grave. The funeral
is to be rather early as Mr Vaughan
the clergyman has to return to
his church in the country.

My family has a grave in the Norwood cemetery, where there are at present only my father's body. & 2 children - My mother will of course be placed with them. I have just written to my uncle John. I am very well today - on Tuesday my cough was so troublesome I put on a mustard leaf, & that with other things has taken it nearly all away. All have send love to Jane & the children. Send me a few bilberry seeds. Best love & kisses to you all, ever yours Florence

SOUTHAMPTON
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Mrs Longmore
Care of the Reverend P. Laurence
Rectory, Broadwas,
near Worcester

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5 Oct. 1872

Worksop, Friday Eve. L. 25/60.a

Dearest K. Your cards arrived this afternn. The penciling was a good deal rubbed off but I was able to decypher it. I was very glad to learn that as you did not find Rey at Worcester you were able to arrange for Harry going to Broadwas with you. I was afraid his leave would be stopped as it was mentioned in the Times that the C. in C. was going to inspect the troops at Dover this week. I replied to Harry's letter to me, sending mine to Dover, but as I wrote briefly they in doubt whether he would be there or not. I am hoping you will have found your sister better but evidently the utmost care will be

necessary if swelling of the leg is threatened - especially the least downward posture of the limb - local pressure &c This mild & bright weather is favorable, as between the showers fresh & pure air can be more readily admitted. The children all wanted to know how Aunt Isabel was & after ready your account obtained from Dr Shepherd I went to Mary with your cards & read them to her. All send love to her & best wishes for a speedy recovery.

There is no particular home news. The children all went as I mentioned to the Macdonalds

I am now quietly asleep.
Mr Atkins & Mrs Jansen called this afternn as well as Mr Beamish & Mr Macdonald. I suppose you will see Webb's letter in the Times of today — he seems to have escaped all injury himself — at least, he makes no allusion to any. The house is much the same as when you left — he took me to netley yesterday. Tomorrow I think of staying at home so he will have a rest.

I found your jewel box locked, so left it on your table. I believe I named to you yesterday that I had paid the servants

I settled with the washerwoman & Lucy this evg. I don't remember anything else to mention —

Sat.y Morn.g. 2.d half of £5 note arrived — I enclose her letter to you as you may like to answer it: — Nurse is going into Scotts.n with the baby this morn.g — Johnny has no cold & Rosie's cough is better, though she has rather more cold in her head nurse says. Mr Beamish has just been in & ask me to dine with them this evg — A letter from Holland arrived for Julia this morn.g — I am just sending it on — I hope to get a letter from you this aft.n — Best love & kisses from all of us, your affect.e husband, J. L —

Kindest regards to all at Broadway including Harry

Encl. w. Cr. of 5 Oct. 1872 L 25/606

My dear Mama. I

Gor got to aunt

Isabels all wright

and Herd I hope aunt

Isabele is better. tho

all the others are all

quite well. Papa

has read some

more of readey to

me and I have

read some to my

self. and I am just

read some more.

Dr & Mrs Fife aunt me and Susie to came to tea yesterday and miss James lent me a book called Lucies school days and we had some crabbery jam but we did not like it at all.

We are going to Dr Maclennets

to tea to day. We
have had it very
wet here I hope
you have it fine
at aunt Isabels. It
rained in torrents
last night only it
very fine to day. The
Macdonalds are coming
on monday.
I am your affec
T W A L

L. 25/61

Junior United Service Club.
London. S.W.

25th March

?1873

My dearest Rosie

I am glad to learn from your letter that all are keeping well. My cough seems to have turned more into a cold in the head to-day, notwithstanding the very fine weather of yesterday & today, but it is not very bad. After going to Court yesterday I went to my Uncle Wm's Office in Bedford Row

to settle some matters of business
then went on with him to
Holloway where I spent the eve.
the of my aunt Hannah's sisters
whom I knew as a young girl
- now a Mrs Cooke - & her husband
a clergyman near Tewkesbury, near
Hagley Park. They had just
returned from wintering near
Vevay in Switzerland for his health -
My aunt H & 4 children I saw
- the 2 girls have a governess
who lives in the house - Aunt
H. goes over to Cambridge to be
with my sister on Thursday

I am very sorry to Ellen's to see how she got on with her lawyer yesterday & to take a letter from a Dutch banker to Julia. Then I must go to Whitehall Yd, & after to Camberwell. I was not aware before how costly it is to prove a will where there is any property. While I was at Camb.ll yesterday a servant from my Aunt Brookfield's brought that Sebastopol picture which I gave my aunt & which she valued so extravagantly, for one

I shall bring it back with me on my return home — I leave this open in case of having anything to add before post time Will you send me a blank cheque out of my private cheque book, putting on the number next to that of the previous one — I shall get it on Thursday next

L. 25/62

Junior United Service Club.
London. S.W.

26/3/73

Dearest Rose,

I lunched at Ellen's yesterday & went home at Whitehall Yd and only got to Camb.ge just in time to drop my letter to you in the post office. I stayed at Camb.ge late, looking into matters, & dropped in here on my way back, getting your letter. I wrote a card in reply wh no doubt you have rec.d. I have seen Col.e L. Lindsay this morning - & am very sorry not to visit, with the intention of seeing the Bessemer Steel works,

Going to Greens' the glass warehouse
about the chimney, the C.S. sheet in
Longacre, & being at Nunn's at 7 o'c.
I arranged I would not go to Ellens' today
nor to Ellens - I leave this open in
case I may want to add a line.
Quite summer weather here, but my
Cough still remains a little troublesome

Love & kisses to you all

from your own

E. Laymore

Bessemer Works, E. Greenwich. 7-13 p.m.

I am waiting here as there are some
very heavy castings to be done
presently, which will be worth

Lewis. If I can't get to
the Court Service today I will
do so on Friday

L 25/63

Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

27th March

My dearest A.

I dined last night with Muir — he asked about you all & Baby in particular I enclose some things which came from Bachert for you to see — Conny's letter is rather a rambling one but I suppose not knowing the children or how exactly we were living & doing, he did not know anything special to write about. However it shows a desire to keep up knowledge

If Jan & I go, so I should write him a letter & tell him all about the children &c — I must write more as I am just starting for Combeerwell & for the last sad office to my dear mother's remains. She was a kind mother to all her children & must myself find always trying to do for them more than she ought to have done for her own sake. I wish you & Mrs to Marcia & Love & kisses to you all, even Jonathan

F. Longmore

L. 25/64

Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

? 27 Mar 1873

Thursday Eve

My dearest Rosie.

All went off as sweetly & peacefully at Rosewood today as any of us could have wished. Dr Tinker who performed the Service did it with much feeling - My brothers Benj.n & Charles followed. Charles seems to have expressed a strong wish to be present, but as might be expected from his condition did not show signs of much emotion The others were my Uncle Wm

Henry, Donald Eleanor, & myself.
Aunt Hannah remained with my
sisters & me & left Cumberwell between
7 & 8 o'clock. I left with her.
I hope & think all will go
smoothly as regards business matters.

I don't think I shall
get back to Wooliston until
Sat. M.J. I could not go
yesterday to Green's nor to
the Civil Service, so must go
to them tomorrow. I also
promised Ellen to see her again
before I leave. I must also

go to Whitehall (and

I saw today as I was
going to Camberwell a very pretty
though plain Dinner Service of
Wedgewood crockery; so I went
in & got them to write down
particulars. Might it not be
well to get something of this
kind to have the best set
when it arrives? It can be
completed what we have been
using hitherto at little cost?

I must write to Uncle John
about business matters, & 2 or 3
other letters, so will not add

Mine now - Myself, Uncle John, & Maria, are the Executors to my mother's Will

You must have managed the clothing cheaply. As Ellen asked Mrs Slater to come to her she thought it right - that her mourning should be got at her expense. Ellen told me she was surprised at the account - it came to £20 -

Love & kisses to you all,

Ever your own. T L -

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L. 25/65

Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

Friday Mg.
28 Mar 1873

My dearest Rosie.

Do not expect me till the 3.15 train tomorrow - I write not write more now. Glad to get your letter. Love & kisses to Jim all, ever your own

L.L.

L 25/66

Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

? 28 Mar. 1873

Friday Night

Dearest R. I find Eliot Yorke has spoken to Mr. Hardy — Burn told me Mr. Hardy told him he had done so — I will write to-morrow — Thanks. Burn to-morrow — I cannot know — Burn tells me

The papers have passed
into Stanley's. He has
agreed to my having
£1200 a year, but
objects to my having
both the H. P. &
Prof.ship. Jenner
has told Hardy
I ought to have the

Letter on the same
principle as the C.
I have asked him to
read all the papers.
Wm H. H. has
promised to do when
they reach him.
They are now with
Captain Vivian

They have no
Dentists stores at the
A & N. They have
stores specially made for
themselves & say they
have no complaints
about staining the
hands. So I get
one pair at 7/6 or

This is my 2nd letter from Vienna. L 25/67.

Vienna, 2nd Sept 73

My dearest Rosie

Your letter of the 29th ult. reached ~~the~~ Vienna yesterday & I felt it just now. Of the reasons I was so sorry to have to leave Woolston was that I had promised Lady H. I would come at any time to them in case of Lord H. being worse. I am glad you mentioned about Dr Aitken being at home - he might be of some use: There is also Mackinnon, but I think L^d H's case would be more in Dr A's way. Many thanks for looking to all my things.

I have not been able to hear any thing of Parker. The answer from the Police given to me by the Hotel people is that there is no Dr Parker in any of the Hotels - so I suppose if he came he has left again. It is kind of Dr Frank. I don't see how such presents are to be avoided - but it makes it difficult to ask people to become Godfathers I hope the baby is better - of course its sickness is only due to a little passing stomach derangement.

I do not yet know the day of my leaving - I suppose Friday or Sat[urday] will be the day I

shall leave - & I think I shall arrange to sleep a night at Strasbourg & another at Paris. It is very hot here to-day, though last evening it was really quite cool - persons wearing overcoats. None of the people I have any knowledge of are here & I find so I am somewhat lonely. I write this in haste as I am sorry off to the Exhibition & it is now somewhat late, as after breakfast I had to go to the Gen. Post Office, some long distance off, for some letters, as well as to one or two other places. It is a nuisance

that I am able to speak only so
little German — I have to manage
chiefly by means of French — scarcely
anyone seems to understand English
I am keeping all right in health
Best love & kisses to you all
from Jenny
F. L.

Glad to hear Mrs Harnby has
written to you. I have
just written a line to Mimi

POSTAGE
ONE PENNY
SOUTHAMPTON
SEP
Wm Longmore
care of the Revd T. Lamotte
21 Denmark Terrace
Brighton.

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P.L. L 25/68a

Army Medical School.
Royal Victoria Hospital.
Netley Sat. 11th April 1874

My dearest N. I had not intended to cause out this week but got a letter from Muir telling me he found it necessary to keep Balfour here for the investigating season as he hoped to do - & he wished me to give him notice of this. The autumn manœuvres begin earlier this year, & London must go to Aldershot to make arrangements. He tried to get Fraser to go on leave for 2 months to enable Balfour to remain to do the investigations, but F. won't go on leave on account of the expense. Maynard has written to me that he has set his promⁿ & wishes

to come to us for a time. I wish it had happened at some other time, but I am sorry to have to come. If Baron Mundy comes I will see if Aitken will put him up. I was surprised last evening when I got home – about ½ p 5 – to find Miss Bradby had sent half a salmon to our house with no other message than her compts. I suppose she thought you were at home. I had to stay here yesterday till ½ p 4 – on my way home I called on the Rd Chaumonts, & on Mrs

Bleekley - The Latter was ailing
much, but just after I left
the Sct a telegram to say the
Victor Em! had arrived wh
had her in high spirits. The
Ship is just now steaming
up to the front of the pier,
& I am just going down
to see them come ashore
Maclean has not been able
to go & see her again. He
has had one of the worst
attacks of ague he has had
for
Mrs Bleekley.

for a long time Mrs Maclean
writes. I returned for town yesterday. The children have
been all right & happy -
baby getting on well - but as
Isabel told me she was writing
to you this morning I suppose
you will hear all about - this
morning for nurse &
her. I will finish this at
home & send it by this evg's
post. George could not get a
horse at the sale yesterday

 11 Apr. 1874 L 25/68a

Sat 7 Evg. All well here. Baby has been rather fidgetty from his teeth apparently – he is now quietly asleep. Isabel seems to have had a pleasant day at the Blatterwicks'. She went very early & came home about 5 o'clock. Bleckly was looking very well when he landed as Fleming was also. The ship is to remain off Hetty as an auxiliary

hospital & Nelly during
the invaliding season —
We expect the Queen to
come to Nelly if Jane
on Monday — but nothing
certain was settled
today —

I could not write
last evg for Mr Harvey
came in to tea and
remained late —

I asked Johnny if he had any message to you & he desired me to give you his love — all the others children join in this.

It has been a fine day here today & I hope has been so with you — but the sleet is against now

Best love to yourself & kind regards to the

Lamotte, ever Your own

T. L.

George's wife is at Sholing

he asked her to go early last

week on this acct. & also

this wk — Isabel told me

he had become a grandfather

but he did not give me

the reason. The horses

at South[n] sold

extravagantly high Geo

said —

11 Apr. 1874 L 25/68a

I would see the Aquarium very thoroughly now you are near it. I hope you will call at the Homes & the Macdonalds'. I shall not expect you till the Saturday

I would get the Photos of both of

Encl. w. br. of 11 Apr. 1874 L 25/686

Dear Mr. Forsyth

The Ship is

in Shanghai but

had a telegram

how glad I am

Yrs

A Blakely

L 25/69

Royal Victoria ~~Hospital~~
Netley.

Sunday Ev[g] 1874

My dearest Rosie,

Eliz[th] has told me this ev[g]. But when she took your letter to John's wife, she told her that she had told her husband about her coming to Tar, & Eliz[th] supposes that she has also told him about your letter & Annie not coming back. William has looked to the horse today & told Eliz[th] John was not well. Eliz[th] suspects John has been upset by what his wife told him. If

seems very stupid of the woman to have told John that she had been to you without letting you know she was going to do so. John seems to have been told by his wife about her coming to you in the early part of the week, but I saw no difference with him when he went with me to Hillhead & to Montefiores. I have told Eliz.t to tell him in the morning I want to go to Netley.

Webb was at tea this evg as usual. He tells me that the matter about Jane Rashleigh & the price of the wreath in her

Lord & Prince Leopold seeing
it, is in "Vanity Fair" of the
19th Instant — The Gordons who were
at Eliot Yorke's must have told
Mr Bowles, or perhaps Mr Bowles
was himself at the Party. Under
any circumstances it is a very
ill natured thing to do & must be
annoying to the Prince, for I
suspect "Vanity Fair" is sure to be
seen by some of the Court people.

Monday Morg — I have just seen John.
He was in bed all day yesterday with
diarrhoea, but says he is better

today. It is raining hard & seems to be settled wet, so I have written to Dr C. who was going with me about Candidates' Quarters, to know if tomorrow will suit for going to Kelly instead of today - The Whin reports John is the same as usual

I have not written to nurse about Thursday, but will do so tonight if Mr Collin if this after lets me go come home on Wedy. I shall not write tomorrow. All well in the house - I have not heard again from Hill Head. Love from us

T. L

L 25/70

Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

1st July '75

Dearest Rosie

I may not have the opp.y of writing by the bye & I will therefore write a line now before going from this club. I could not get a room at Mr Malt's nor at any of the lodging houses in Wells St — every room was full owing to the Oxf.d & Cambridge cricket match. I got to a house 22 Jermyn St, but they do not understand one's ways as well as Mr Malt. But the lodging does

sufficiently well. I went to Ellens & had tea &c there. Ellen consents to Julia remaining till Wednesday next. Ellen told me that it is hardly expected there will be any dividend this 1/2 year from the Lond^n & West^n Bank. The bank has had severe losses through the late failures, but the substantial credit of the bank remains unshaken.

The shares have fallen considerably

mi nature. There will be a loss too to my sisters. It is most close & oppressive in town, cloudy & rainy. —

I am now going to the D. Gs office — then to the Coll. of Surgeons' Election meeting — & afterwards to a meeting of the Natl Aid Soc[y] Cottie. I have to be early at the dinner in the city to receive the guests &c I shall be

Glad

When the dinner is over.
As I shall be so late to-morrow I think it will be well for Grace to meet me
– I trust that Mr Lamb will be
in time for the floating
breakfast. Best love & kisses
to you all, ever your own

F. L.

L 25/71

P11

Woolstone.

August

28th

Monday

1876

My dear Mama.

We went to Mr.
Dumbleton's all right this after-
noon, it rained a little while
we were there but only a shower.
Alice and I went down the
Beech Walk, which was very
pretty expecially the heath.
After tea we had a game of

Croquet till it was time to go home. Allie Tottenham told me Milly has past her exam.- and is an A. A. Doctor & Mrs Maden are not going to the Harvest Home, but Archie is, so I am to have lunch with them & go with Archie, & Dr. Maden will bring me home in

the evening. Wednes-day.
I had no time to write last night
because I did not get home till
nine. We were going a shorter
way to the Gillett's only Archie
forgot the key, so we climbed
over the fence & when we got
nearly there we dis-covered
that Archie's trousers were
all tarred, so of course we had

to go back again. We went by the road next time & got there all right. Dr. Maden got the bar quite out with eau-de-Cologne. We had great fun. Flick ran a race & won a knife, which he cut his finger with directly. So his Mama gave him a shilling for it.

Mr. & Mrs. Mathieson slept

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here last night, they are here now.

Miss Shand is going to have a return cricket match in the forest today. Archie Maden is going.

With love from all to everybody at Wineglow.

Your affectate
Isabel.

L 25/72

Royal Victoria Hospital
Netley.

31 Aug 1876

My dearest R

The weather is holding up at present so we are going to Hillhead - expect I think the children must be wanting warm clothes. I declined Uncle J's invitation I have too much work to do, wh I cannot well do away. & Jo & Jessie going to Hillhead. I don't know how she would amuse herself at Worcester

I have arranged w. Porter not to go to him tomorrow eve - & have

accepted Mrs Winn's invitation to dinner after consulting John about the horse &c.

A letter from Mamie dated yesterday tells me she had just seen you off by the train. I fear you had a wet drive to Ockendon. I hope you have found them all pretty well.

Perhaps you may reply to Lady Elizth H. from Osn. She & her 2 elder girls were away at Portsmouth yesterday. About the middle of the day her youngest Maude, was brought to Kelly by the nurse. She had been bitten in the arm by a strange dog - not badly at all - but the state of the dog makes me feel very uneasy, though I did not say much about it. I had thought of going to Lady H's, & as she did not know what had happened, I went back with Maude & the nurse, to tell her about the matter. I saw the dog which Golding had then got locked up in a stable - it was ill - it might be with some ordinary ailment - but I did not like its snappish way, nor a peculiar howl it gave. However, I said nothing to alarm any one - only enough to make them careful. I fear Lady E. will be very uneasy when she returns. I stayed to lunch with Lady H. & returned by the 4 O'C train. Lady H. looks much better & says she feels much better,

Rum when I last saw her. If
you write to Lady R. it may be as
well not to refer to the dog matter.
The little girl only patted the dog gently
on the head as she saw it standing near
the house.

Best love to Willie & yourself
& kindest regards to all at the
Rectory. Ever yours sincerely

F. L.

POSTAGE
ONE PENNY
Mr Longmore
Care of Rev? P. Laurence
Rectory. South Ockendon,
Wr Romford
Essex

L 25/73a

Woolston, 1st Sept. '76

My dearest K. I am glad to get yr letter & all its news about yourself & Willie you seem to have been to a good many places & done a good deal during your short stay in London. I am glad you took a cab to Fenchurch St. station & hope you leg is no worse for what you did in the course of the day. I felt you would get on all right at Mrs. The drive to Chiselhurst was a good idea. I hope Willie is pleased with his watch — he will do well I think to write to his godpapa & tell him how he spent his gift. all right about the sleevelinks

I am sorry to find nothing is settled about Percy — it is getting late in the year to be still in a state of uncertainty & this uncertainty must be distressing to all concerned. I wonder how your sister under the circumstances can give her mind & work so for such a large parish party & school treat. It is too much

In any one person

The enclosed came in a blackedged envelope from with the Carlisle postmark, so I thought old Mr. Hodgson had gone, but I see by it that he is still living

I have sent the £1 to be added to Johnnie's book today. I see that on the 1st of May £5 was credited to him - I can't recall how this sum came to him. Can you remember?

The dog is dead that bit little Maude Adeane. Lady H. sent it to Nelly to be examd. Potter & Dr Cullen exd it, & what they found leads me to suppose it was not rabid. But direct proof of madness after death is not to be got - so there still remains a painful doubt. The dog bit 2 other children at Hamble. They have not been able to

first out whose dog it was.

Saty Nov. I dined at Montefiore's last night - It was a lovely evg for any returning. No one was there excepting Mr Farnly, Lucas, Dr - & a Dr Durham & Guy's Hosp. Dr Osborn was expected but did not come

Is it necessary to reply to Mrs Meares?

Dr Webb is back. He says he finds it very lonely at Nettley now

Elizth called on Mrs Moorsom

yesterday to ask her if she would like to come over – she thought she would rather wait tite Lewis comes

I fear we must give up idea about Westward Ho for Willie. I am writing that if the communication seems to us is keeping home one else out, we must give it up as W.'s time of recovery is so uncertain. They would not take him with the exception upon him

Best love to yourself & Willie I send regards to all there at the Rectory – ever your D.L.

L. 25/736

12 West Garden Street
Burnbank Terrace
Glasgow 1st Sept 1876

Dear Sir

I am glad to say we had a comfortable journey to Scotland and arrived safely in Glasgow the morning after we left. Between London & Glasgow we had a compartment to ourselves and the babies slept as well as if they had been at home.

With many thanks for all your kindness

I am

Yours respectfully

C. Mathison

L 25/73c

Hill Head,

Sep 7, 1876

My dear Papa.

We went to the Kelsalls all right & enjoyed ourselves very much.

Please post my letter to Mama with the next one you send.

This is the last piece of writing paper Nurse has till to-morrow so I must not write much, & I have a steel pen so it is very badly written. If you read my letter to Mama you will hear more.

With love to all from all.

Dear Grandpapa

Z 25/73d

Hill Head.

Sep^r 1^st^

?1876

My dear Mama.

I came here all right on Thurs-day, though we had a very wet drive. We have all been to spend to-day at Mr. Kelsall's. It has been such fun, we played Lawn Tennis all the afternoon, and Mr. Kelsall played us some tunes on the Harmonium

while Billy played a splended
large drum, which he can
play beautifully for he has
had proper lessons from his
father. We have had a beau-
tiful day & Marshall thinks
we are going to have some more
of the sweather. Nurse
has only one more sheet of
paper left till to morrow so
I must not write any more
With much love from all to all

2 Sept. 1876 L. 25/74

My dearest L. I only write to enclose H's letter. We went to Hellifield quietly & found all well. We had heavy rain & storms & it was showery & stormy all day, but we managed to get about the place at intervals. A cab came for the Bleckleys while we were there, & Isabel went into one of the rooms they had occupied. All right here. I suppose I shall hear how you & W. are getting on & that all's safe, when you can. Ever L.

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~~Royal Victoria Hospital~~
~~Netley~~

Woolston, Sunday 187

?1876

My dearest Rose,

I am sorry you had a wet day as yours as we had. I gave your note to Mary, I know no reason why the Lass should not go to Hall Head on Thursday. John was away all day yesterday in Southampton & I have not seen him today. Eliz^h told me he went about something connected with the Carriage - so I suppose something wanted repairing & that he waited till it was done. I went to the Chamants to dinner - there was only Mr. Potter (his future assistant) there - so it was not a case of dressing -

I have not written to Major Bradsetts

as yr letter said write if we can't go I shall look out for yr letter tomorrow afternoon to learn whether you come home on Wedy or Sat.

When I was at Hall Head they asked me about getting a fly to go to Mr Kelsalls & I told nurse to get one. Mrs Kelsall had sent them an invitation.

I went to see Mary after church today. She seems very well and contented. She did not care to come over here till Lewis comes, which he writes he will try to do towards the end of next week. He has been staying with Charley, but in his letter to Mary said

Nothing about Ci knee.

I gave nurse 5/, all I had about me, when I was at Hallhead. I lent John 5/ in putting up the horse, & £ 1. 12/ wages.

Best love to you & Willie, & my kind regards to all the Laurences

Ever your own

T. L.

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POSTAGE
ONE PENNY
Mrs Longmore
Care of the Revd. P. Laurence
The Rectory, South Ockendon,
nr. Romford
Essex.

ROMFORD
SEP
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L. 25/76

Woolton, Wed. [illegible]

My dearest R. 1876

I have been so interrupted that I can only write a few words. Glad to get yr. post card & letter. Mary says she only knows of a preserving pan, as she has plenty of saucepans - so I think you had better order at Benhams what you think most likely to be useful. Mr Matheson who slept here last night has just gone & is leaving for South'n, Mrs M. & children will leave after luncheon. The I am glad we have been able to take them in. Dr Chaumont has just left me - he has got a letter requiring him to state atonce whether he will accept Mr Prof.r a not on the terms before offered, so he is just out & has been

Lathbury staying with me. I have to go to Kelly in consequence of an Austrian Surgeon Lawry came to see the place. I went yesty after to Sydney Lodge – While I was there Lady H. came here with Lady E. Adeane – Elizth said Lady H. was looking very weak & ill – I propose going Tomorrow with Ts & Elizth to Hall Head. All going on well here.

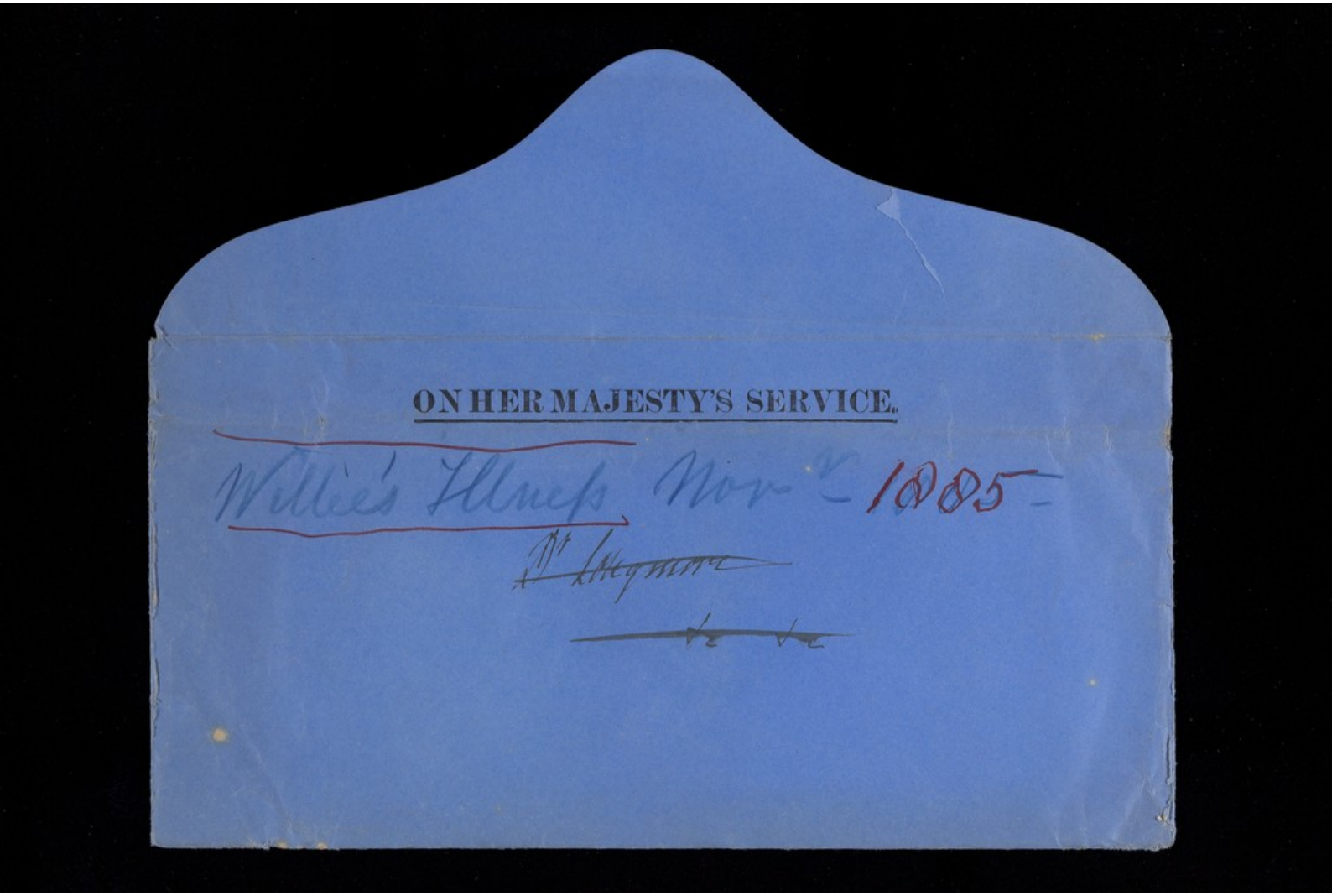
I was very glad to learn you had seen E. Wilson & trust the new medicine may prove effective, & also that all was pleasant at Mures'

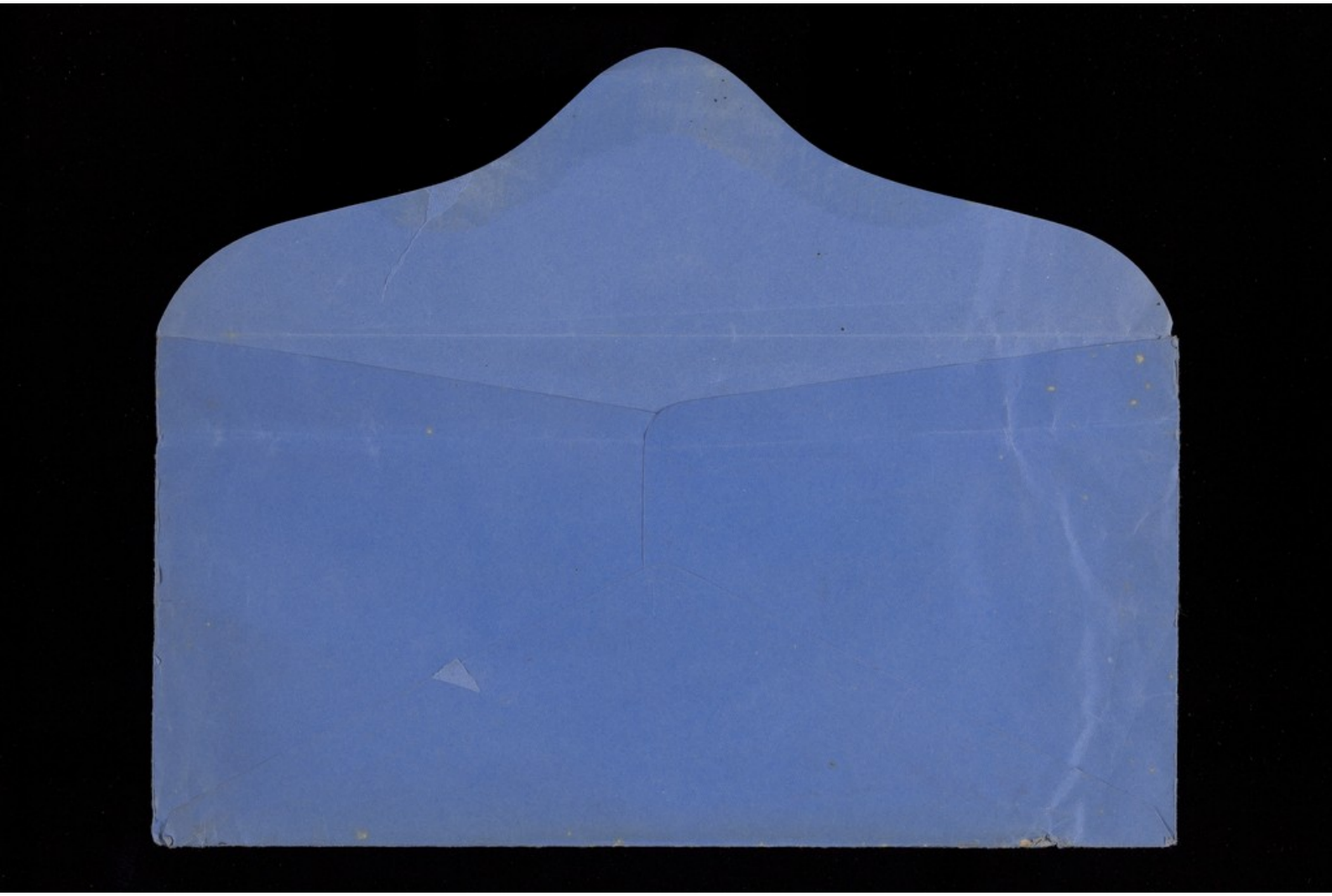
No time to write more by this post. Love to you both & my

Kind regards to all at 5.
Ockendon.

Ever yours
T. L.

Invitation to dine at Montefiores
on Friday but I have promised
Porter to dine with him on
that day


ON HER MAJESTY'S SERVICE.
Willie's Illness Nov^r 1885



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TO { Longmore Poolstone

L 25/77

Decided improvement temperature lower pulse slower. breathing easy strength good

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TO Longmore Poolston

L. 25/78

Willie much better today condition favorable decidedly

Mackinnon

Mr. Rose—
Carried home
this Wednesday
Night—first Quinsy

King's College Hospital,
Lincoln's Inn Fields.

Nov. 19th 5 P.M.

Dearest Tom

first- dear from
his Ward & Head Left him
Comfortable - his hand
worst., His pulse & Heat
of course Same - highest Temp.
today prior - over 101 - taking
as much milk as he likes
& Beef tea at Stated times -
There is evidently considerable
improvement - today & I

L. 25/79

burst - I pray it - may last: -
He is in a bad way - above
6 others - in the bed on the
other side of the fire - is
a man of the name of Hughes
Lisle's House Surgeon very bad
with - Typhoid - - I went -
straight - to Chambers &
found Dr. Cameron - he told
me he had telegraphed to -
me as I did not - but - I'll
send a telegram tomorrow
about - Midday - I am
going - to dine at the Bevans
47 Topsham Road - Earlscourt

I am to come to Mrs Chambers tomorrow at 11 o'clock to see D. Curnow after he has seen Willie - after that - I shall go & see Willie for a ½ an hour - & then afterwards come to Mrs C about 3 o'clock for the afternoon. - Mercifully I think this has been caught at - & as he is not nearly so bad as at Hamble - Hearty cheers, all else I should say but written. - all the previous debility - he is in a fair bed - position has plenty of ice & the big Moorsoms could not put me up - but the Bevans have to one stay there & Mrs Bevan away. Much love to you all dearest & Russie ever yours

R.

This morng D. C. told W. he could telegraph - W. said "What's the time" D. C. said "11." W. said - "Oh Mother will be on the Road" by now

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TO Longmore Poolstone

L. 25/80

Going on perfectly well temperature down letter by nights post

L 25/81

KING'S COLLEGE CHAMBERS,

STRAND.

Nov. 20th. 11.40

My dearest Tom.

I have just been with D. Curnow who had just come from Willes - All going on well — His Temp. last night after I left went up again to 104 - then in the night - or rather Early Morning went down to 101 & then came Real Perspiration - this morning it is 98 & pulse 72, & D.C. says looking & seeming natural & comfortable - he is taking plenty of nourishment - keeping

milk as is keeping Gimmies today -
so D. Cayley ill - seems to be
going on as an ordinary
acute attack does (last
as it was in April) so he
quite hopes it will pass off
in the usual way - I am
all right - at the Bevans & will
stay any how till Monday &
see how things go & what arrangements
to make - D. Cayley is quite
decided that he must not
attempt the winter here - but
he & I are totally at variance
with on Monday - I dont mention
the subject - to Will - but will
of course be & explain Sir J. Lister
explain matters & thank him
for his kindness. I am
going to Willie at 12.30 for
½ an hour - (D.rs come round
again between one & 3) I shall
then go to Lottie & Harry
some lunch & come back to
Willie at 3 o'clock for the
afternoon - I am taking him
his Cup & saucer Spoon tumbler
&c from his room -
And let Locke be alarmed about
W. with Scarlet fever near
at hand his mind had better
~~easy~~ be easy - also tell me

of those Rooms during the 20
20 Cel- I. or R. Keep her
well posted with news. Lots
of love & Kisses to all - tell Charlie
there a little Baby only 18 months
old in the next bed to Willie
Willie said he had never cried
out- I suppose he thinks I am meant
for nursing Babies - for he has
Remembered each time I have
left the room - I am going to take
him a Wooly Rabbit - or a Polly
I'll take them up to the Hospl:
& will add a line there late
& post it - before 6 oclk
Mrs. Mackinnon is going to see
me today - & I'll call at
the Office on my way to the Ave.
& tell him about W. -

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KING'S COLLEGE CHAMBERS,

STRAND.

As for Cant hear on Sunday I'll probably send a telegram late tomorrow Evening. —
In the ward 4.45 — all going on quietly & well — I saw Mr Mackinnon on my way here from the Arch, he had been to see Willie & was quite satisfied with his progress — a ½ dozen newspaper Sir J. Lister & his House Surgeon bustled in to see Willie & Hughes — he spoke very nicely to W. & also to me — I did not say much to him — as I thought — it would be better to go & see him on purpose some day.
I saw Fanny Macmillan at the Office today looking wonderfully stronger & better. Asks Isabel to lunch

My Love Effie for me if
possible - Old Coles or
Mrs Giles myself - have Roses
if possible Send them to
me by post - directed to
Willis's Rooms - there are one or
two small wooden boxes with the
outer Cover - if posted tomorrow
myself - I should get them for
Monday Morning & by that - time
Willie would be glad of them
I'm sure if all goes well.
Good myself - dearest - much
love to dear Ever Your own R.

470 Fulham Road Nov. 20th 10.15 p.m.

I got from when I got back here tonight. & am dreadfully troubled & having been so late in sending off the telegram — I would not send it — till I had seen W. but wanting to let the Hospl: with the full intention of sending it off directly I had seen him; & would put it on by my head I don't know why I do not know — but I was quite bad last night & did not clear till after my mid day food today, & I'm always awfully stupid when in that state. I'm all right tonight & will take all care dear & on the Hospl: front — & really feel very fairly last night. I'll go & see Mrs Moorsom

tomorrow morning Ruhonle
to Kinjo - Good night. —

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TO { Longnore Woolstone

L. 25/82

Going down on quite quiet well and comfortable temperature

L. 25/83

KING'S COLLEGE CHAMBERS,

STRAND.

Jan. 21st

2.30 p.m.

My dearest Ion.

All going on perfectly well, Thank God, – No use of Temp: last night – Breathing easy, taking Nourishment well & looking easy & comfortable, still coughing a good deal but an easier cough – he is sitting up much more than in the Morn: as much in a day this time as in his whole illness last time & he is still taking plenty of milk & beef tea – Dr. Cormac is seeing him alone now – & I shall

Your letter
to-morrow
with
which I
will
W. Sharpe
R.

he able to tell for this Post-
When I go back to the Hospl:.
I have written fully to Susie
by this post-, Hughes the
House Surgeon who is ill in the
same Ward has friends at
Edgbaston who know Susie
& she may hear thro' them.-
Will for 2nd Lady Hardwicke
one of Mr Davies' 3 letters, I
think there are two in the Side
of my Desk for-- the Bevans
also would like to see one
I never sent out to Charlie Nunn
which I meant to do to if

Isabel caused me one or two more perhaps shocked Lenbone Column & one to Aunt Isabel - also showed my brother Charlie's letter to Mr Wakely when it came back.

I took some grapes for Willie & the other poor fellows today & they were very pleased - He is in an Ordinary Ward, there are two G in it - rather a queer Community altogether - A very nice Lady in Charge - very busy but a lady & very kind & attentive

& they were to me & so glad
to leave me to do the little thing
for W. She would be very
grateful for Clothing for them
so I thought - Dad might
send me up - the bundle of
Clothes I collected for
Mc Carthy - Alice knows where
they are - & might - put with
them a pr of boys Knitted Socks
that - are on my dressing Table
& the grey pair Aunt Edith
finished for me - & there
anything else of Babies that
would do for Willie's next door
neighbour id - might - come too,
he the baby is going on well &
is pleased with his Rabbit -
K. C H. 5 h m. Going on very well, D. C

R.C.H. L. 25/84

4 p.m. Sunday
22 Nov. 1885.

My dearest Tom

All going on quite well here & nothing very fresh today except that at this moment he is eating Egg & bread & butter & enjoying it. He has had some Sole for his dinner, milk cooked & he liked it. Constance Bevan got me two fresh eggs from a woman in her district. I came down here & waited in Church at the Church close by - then found out about W. & saw him for a few minutes & went up & Esther Hornby's but found her out to lunch so I went to where Lulu & Bis

are staying which is
closely furnished with
them — I'm staying with
Willie till 6 or there about —
shall then go into the Savoy
for Evening Service & back
to my brain directly after —
Tomorrow morning I come
down to Rugby to see Dr Cursons
about 11

Julia has worked herself
into a frightful state about
Willie — She went to Brighton
after seeing me yesterday &
told Maud all about him.
I don't think I told you I
got the letter sent to me

Moorsons all right - I went
there.
Dr Mackenzie came in
Yesterday afternoon Walter
very kindly brought him
some papers - Hope
some one has written to
Harry as he will wonder
at not hearing from me
Much love to you - all kisses
for my Baby - I am glad
you are all all right -
There is so much to be thankful
for here - that - I can't think
of the trouble I left - only
the thankfulness - God bless

For all dearest-
Ever fondly
R

L 25/85

KING'S COLLEGE CHAMBERS,

STRAND.

11.20 a.m. Monday Nov. 23rd

My dearest Tom

I think first. Come from D. Curnow & Mr. Cunningham. D.C. has not. seen Willis yet this morning, but arranged trial. if I was to hear at 11. o'clk here, if all was not [illegible] perfectly right. so of course all is as there is no message. D. Curnow says that if all goes on as it has done he will be fit. to be moved home by Friday or Saturday. he says that when fit. to move he does not want to Risk him in the Hospital Van, he will probably get up a little bit this afternoon - but all that. I'll tell you about later on. I then saw Mr. Cunningham at the

KING'S COLLEGE CHAMBERS,
STRAND.

rooms – he says that – if W.
fries up the room door – they
will only be charged for till
Xmas – or he says – if he likes
to keep on the rooms write a few
to Corning Lodge his Mag – Nothing
will be charged for but the
rooms – so I will tell Mrs Dyer
will – Willie this afternoon, –
I rather funk the idea to soon
but – once out of Head-Ward – home
is the place + I'll make very
careful arrangements + tell all
fun about –

3.30 – Willie is sitting up in a
big arm chair + looking very
comfortable – he is has decided

to clear out this room altogether
so I'll set to work tomorrow &
will tell Mr Cunningham his
decision - I think the best way
will be to pack up his clothes &
myself - & then get someone to
pack his Crockery &c - If he
is to leave this week I suppose
I had better remain & bring him
home? - the Beavans are very kind
& say they don't want the little room
I'm in & I can stay as long as
I like which is very good of them.
Dr Curnow will tell me definitely
on Wednesday or Thursday which
day we are to move - I don't like
him to the Station in a Cab, but
will perhaps get somebodies Brougham
or order one thro' the Railway parcels
I shall of course bring Lewis down

first-Class & arrange for
Hot water things &c — You
would be surprised to see how
well she looks — Not pulled to
pieces but natural — Of course
district Visiters and Visitors
wanting to see them — She would
be very pleased to see — At
the same time I can manage
all myself — So you must do
what seems best —
I put to your despatch all the
stores to day some Lucca oil
it is for Susie but we can
settle it afterwards —
Ever dearest Mama
R.

L. 25/86

W. Pemp's Room
K. C. C. Nov: 25th:

My dearest Tom

I have been in Willie's room best part of the morning & have packed his actual Clothes - I then had to go up to the Hospl: to see him about a few things, have been in to Gatti's for some lunch & am writing this while one of the fellows is photographing Will's room a work of difficulty seeing it's pretty nearly dark

I have seen Dr Curnow this morning he says more on Friday or

Saturday if the weather is
at all fit - The "Sister" says
fine on Friday if fine &
not Saturday - & of course if
that day is too bad we must wait-
till Monday - My plan is to-
send all his things from here
by Luggage train - then to come
from Earls Court - in a Brougham
from Stables the Bevans know
about - Mrs Lewis to drive
Brougham - to Waterloo in good
time - Come direct - to Southampton
You must send the Carriage there
to meet us so as to save no
Changing - I don't know what-
train we as I have not looked

them out – but I should say
of course a midday one – I
will write again tomorrow Evening
as the move is all uncertain
I will telegraph when we are
starting – I think the only way
to decide whether the day after
is toilet – the Sisters decide if
they can send me a telegram
in the early morning (9 o'clock
say) as it won't do to have
a carriage full my things
down there for nothing – I
hope for them all this right –
after I have settled one or
two things in his room I am

going in to see Mrs Ware -
Och - I had a good talk
with Mrs W - & she will tell
D. W. & that's all right - Please
tell Isabel the Parcell of clothes
have come all right - & tell
Charlie his leggings will be
beautiful for the Baby - & he or
another little Child will be able
to see the Elephant - to play with -
Mr Mac - has been & gone & will
again today.

Ever dearest - Yours own

R.

Don't send any more Eggs but
if Isabel can get a pen into the
house at home it will be well

Secy's Office 2.25/87

K. C. Nov. 26th

Dearest Tom

I'm getting on -
I coned it yesterday. the Packer
today bord. I like den the master
dusted Everything. & put the
room ready for the Packer
tomorrow — I have paid
up his bill - & am waiting
because the Secy: wants to
see me Something about -
Prize money. — Then I am
going up to the Hospital. — Will
all night - but I like not
Leave him yet - today

it's looking wet here today
I have a cab waiting as
I am taking some of the
things up to the Hospl:—
Cleyn said I'll take
care of it:— but don't
think I'll want it:—
I can do Anxiety: Joan
unless we don't go tomorrow

Hosp 5 p.m. — The House Physician
is to send me a telegram by 9 o'clk
tomorrow morning if all is thought-
fit for him to start — I shall then
come here by 10·30 & we will leave
Waterloo at 11·15 arriving at the
Dock Station at 1·30 — Let us be
there — if Rahel would Come to the Station

in the Carriage, She might - See
Will with the Carriage while I
see to Luggage & also see that W.
draws up as close to the
Train as possible - then Rachel
had better walk home to as
to save any guilt - I reckon
Could be ready by the time he gets
in & settled it would be good thing
if home has room & bed ready as I
think he had better go straight
to bed - all well - the Enclosed
for Rachel -

Ever your loving

R.

Undated

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ARMY & NAVY CLUB
PALL MALL S.W.

My dearest Rosie, Friday Evg

I got better as I went on to London & after depositing my things went on to Whitehall Yd. Munro was not there but I saw Marston who told me if the trial does not come off tomorrow it will probably not come off till Monday week -

I then went on to

Camberwell. Where I
met Uncle John, all my
sisters & Henry. I
left Uncle John at the
underground railway station
on the way back to
his lodgings in Arundell
Street. He seemed very
well - & none the

worse for the banquet
at the Lord Mayor's.
Fanny goes to town
first & I have promised
to go & see him on
her return.

If I find I cannot
get away by the 5'20 train
so as to be at Woolston about
8 O'C., I will hope to leave

by the 7.40 when I shall look
out for George at the Sixth Dock
Station about 10.17 —
& if I find I cannot get
away later than 9.0 C. train
you will get a telegram
from me as arranged
With love to all
from your own
E L.

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ARMY & NAVY CLUB
PALL MALL S.W.

As the D.G. & Dr Fayrer,
& myself will be at Croydon
tomorrow & as the D.G.
R.N. is not expected —
there would be only Aitken &
Maclean — to the Senate
meeting is postponed

L 25/90

Junior United Service Club.
London, S.W.

Thursday Eve.
11/45.

Dearest Rosie,

Jan will be glad to hear the dinner went off most successfully. There were 111 persons at it & they say this is the largest number that have dined at the Fellows' dinner on any occasion, with one exception, before. There

sat on my right as the
greatest honour among the
guests. All the Chiefs
of the Surgical Profession
came & I found also
some old friends whom
I had not seen for a
good many years. Monteflore
had a party at his

own house where he
asked me how you to with-
him after the dinner but
I thought it too late.

I shall look out for
Sage at Southampton
tomorrow eve when the
train leaves at 7.40
pm. Love & kisses to all
ever yours FL

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MINLEY LODGE,
FARNBOROUGH,
HANTS.

Sunday Nov.

My dearest R.

I just write a line to say I am here all right. It is set in to rain in a thoroughly wet day, today. It was fine yesterday however when we were near Ilkley this morning. Save a right to expect. I took a cab at Farnboro' to Frankl (fare 6/6) & found him & Lady A. at

house. He had had to drive
somewhere in V. my g. so could
not meet me at the station,
In the afternoon Gen.l & Mrs
Napier from Sandhurst came
here. Mrs N. a daughter of
Sir Chas Napier, so there
seems to have been a
tendency for consins to
marry in this Napier
family. After they

left Lady H. & Frank
took me a long drive to
see some wonderfully old &
fine Scotch firs - 250 yrs
old - and an old Jacobean
mansion - Sir Wm Cope's -
We called at the house
& then I accidentally found
out † Sir Wm C. was a friend
of Harry's, & that I
myself had had some

† Bt 1851 - 92

correspondence with him
through Harry - The house
is a sight to see - built
in James 1st time & not
altered since - but we
had only time to see the
Lady Chapel which we
went to the Drawing room
Sir Wm had heard from Harry
that after - that he could

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MINLEY LODGE,
FARNBOROUGH,
HANTS.

not come & pay him a
visit as we had asked
him - to do The situation
of Franks house is very
fine - in a world place
with fine close up to
the house & seeming to
be more Miles in -
the house itself is

admirably arranged &
very handsomely decorated
the ground around is
not yet laid out
only just cleared
away —

I suppose you will

hardly be able to go to the hospital this morning, if the weather is the same with you as it is here. We are going to church about a mile off - to Mr Baker's Carriers Farm - Best love & kisses to you all

from your affectionate T. L.

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Monday Aft.

Dearest Lucie

I had time to go to Victoria St: to order the things on the paper you gave me before going to Whitehall yd. They promised I should have them by tomorrow aft so I hope they will do so. I have been free from indigestion so far -

have been to my lodgings I
taken some of my acid mixture
I have ordered a fire to dry
by — so I hope to keep
all right. Mr. Watt told
me I could have hot
water in the night if I
wanted it — by ringing him
up — I saw Dr. Jr

a short time I have promised
to dine with him to morrow
eve. I have to go to the
War Office to morrow mg to see
about uniform & also to
go to the tailors. I met
Fowle Smith at Whitehall
yd he desired to be
kindly remembered. Curious
bird - after leaving Rupells books
at

the Enders' — I met Russell himself while I was walking with Muir. He told us he goes to Egypt tomorrow to escape this cold weather & that the Rockefellers have asked him whether he would go with their army to Khiva.

I hope you all have been keeping well — it

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London S.W.

it very cold & dull here – a dense fog in the morning

If you see Webb let him know his parcel is here & I will bring it back for him all right – Love & kisses to you all, ever your own L. Longmore

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Junior United Service Club,
London, S.W.

25th Septr

My dear Mr.

I got yr card before
leaving Franks', & yr letter
here. I have written to
Mary & Kennis expressing the
hope that he will meet me
here tomorrow mg, &
I presume he will do

to. We must then
settle what had best be
done about our reports.
I cannot stay till the
28th or 29th & hope to
be back on Wed. either
by the 3.15 or 5.20
train. most probably
the latter. If you

can see Porter, thank
him for offering to do
things for me at
Brussels - ~~[illegible]~~
I do not know anything
he could do for me. You
may tell him I told
Dr Munro about his Orderly
Medical Officer at Nettley

If he can get me a copy
of the Photo of the Royal
Square with the Hôtels
Bellevue & de Flandre
in it - which Webb gave
him I think - I shall
be glad to have it.
I have no news. I
have been to Whitehall
yd. I am now going

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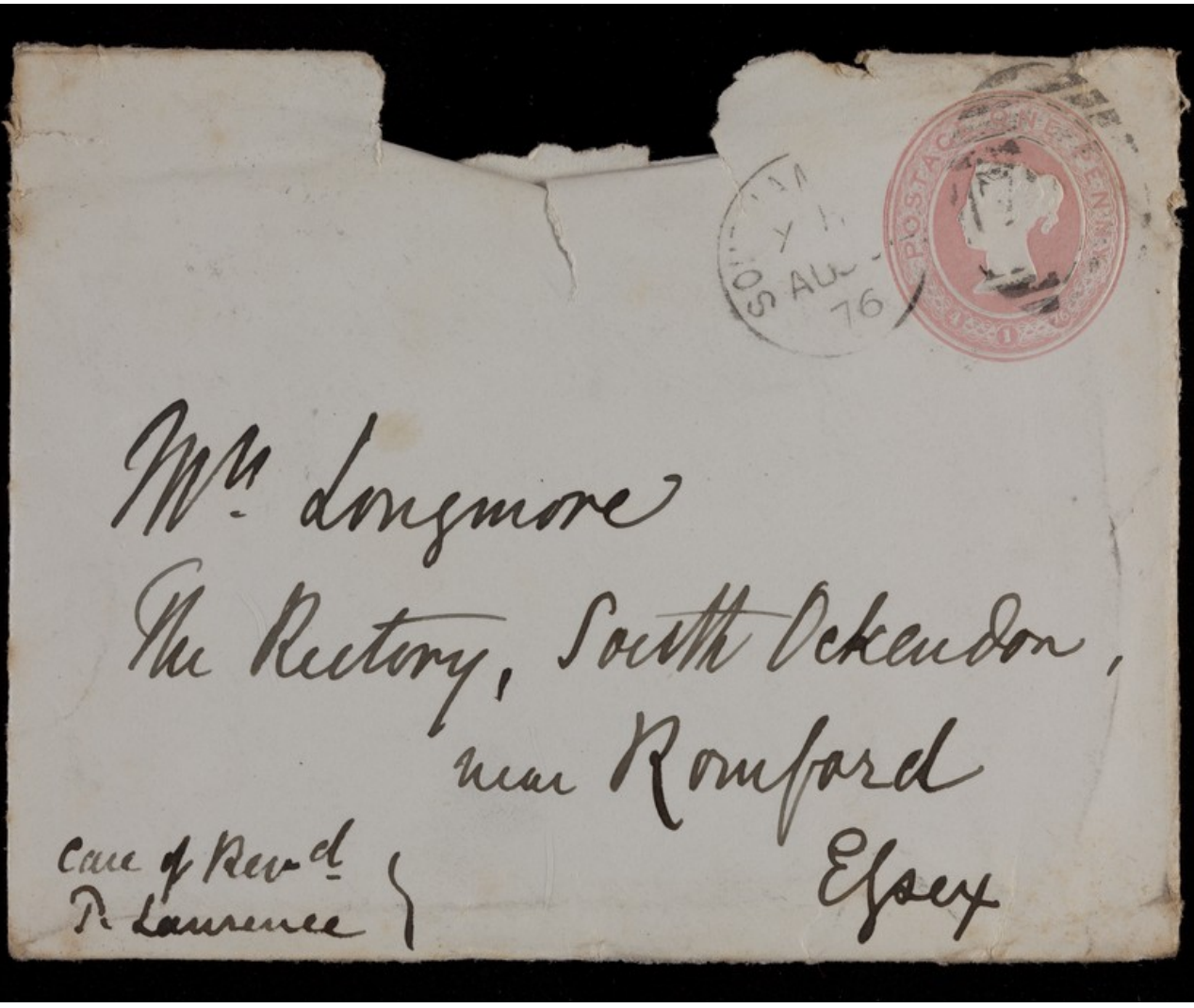
London, S.W.

(3 T. M.) with Sir A. Hume
to see his namesake
Major Hume R.E. with
him. Love to you all
The Franks hoped you would
come with me next
year, can you come
T. L.
I shall go to Paddington
Grove this eve — perhaps

So to Nurses' sisters
also accept Regina Home


POSTAGE ONE PENNY
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Mrs Longmore
The Rectory, South Ockendon,
near Romford
Essex
Care of Revd
R. Laurence

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home about 4 o'clock. Dr. Jo came with us to see Mrs Davidson who has come down to pack up their furniture Lord Rothschild having taken their house off their hands. I was pretty well tired & poor little Isabel too. Buddy had breakfast with us to make up for not having dinner down. Just as we got to our gate we met facing Mrs Beaton & Mary. ~~She~~ they had driven out to see the children who had come home from. Linda to be near them, had sent the carriage home, but it was to ~~have~~ intending to walk back they came in with us to wait till it got cooler, they had early tea, & then set off home at 7 o'clock. at this rate I could not get my letter done to you.

Afterwards. I was only thankful that I had made such a point of those boys not having guns or anything, & that Harry is not more hurt. I hope ill will serve as a lesson to both, tho' from my experience when I was a boy, I don't think it will have

much after the train goes. Willie would not have been at such pranks alone, but I don't believe any two ordinary boys of that age can be trusted. I rather blamed myself for being out, but I did not think they would come back here together. I enquired that the train that brought Wm Wolseley would have carried Harry safely to Southsea, as I had not asked him to come back. I was very glad you were not here as it would only have given a big fright. It made my knees shake for the rest of the evening & made me quite unequal to walking up the Downs hill so I wrote a note and sent it by last night's post to Capt R. with your thanks &c.

Dr Mackinnon was very glad to hear W. J. was so much better, so was I. & I am very glad you wrote him.

We are all very well here. I am going tomorrow with Susie to Ryde. Isabel

Can't manage forms all at once, so I am taking her tomorrow to Abel's to sit after luncheon, she is very good & sensible about it. I shall come back by a pretty early boat on Wednesday but to make it late for Lucie.

The oddest of little Black-a-moors was called here yesterday, his name is Peters and the Indian Candidate. he brought letters of introduction from Dr Clarke via Dr Partridge, both the men in Bombay. His manner was nice enough, but he was a miserable looking little yellow creature.

I am very thankful you are getting on so well. Be very careful how you wear that uniform & if it is at all cold there put on your leather waistcoat & don't wear it with out some warm waistcoat under but if it is pretty hot, for it is a considerable change from your other clothes. I hope it will

Set to on all right, the haunts me in my sleep. I have visions of it-towering up here all the week about, & never having got up at all.

A letter has come for you from Mr Stevinsky, & a book containing his article & the letters. His letter contains some suggestion the Duke of Wellington has made about Stretchers. I don't think it would suit the Duke. - I will write to him (not the Duke) & tell him so & send that away. -

I don't think Salmon had to pay any more for the book. I had only 4/6 down here. -

Good night - my dearest - God bless you & keep you safe & take care of yourself when you are on your own work. If you don't tell me where to write, & I make out from your letters that you will have left Cannes I shall direct to Col: W. at Berlin

Ever your own Rose